

SSC Balmain P&C Monthly Meeting Minutes

Date: Tuesday 10th February '26 #1

Time: 6.30pm-7.30pm

Venue: Online zoom

Attendance	
P&C Committee	Clare Donnellan, Karina Martin, Stephanie Fabian , Jill Butler, Ligita Millar, Emma Driver, Kim Batchelor
P&C Members	
School & College Executive	Julie Ross, Mark Corbett, TJ Catalanotto, Alana Regan
Other	
Apologies	
Venue	Zoom

Item	Detail
Past Meeting Minutes	Minutes of last meeting passed, motioned CD, passed KM
Business Arising/Actions from last minutes	Motions Passed - Reading program funding approved, proposed CD, seconded JB. MC will provide feedback on the program at the next meeting - Barista training funding approved, proposed CD , seconded ED Open Items - Yr 7 Welcome evening clashes with a Blackwattle event. New date - 26th February? Will need volunteers to help with setup & to complete the RSA - Graham, Nina - thank you!! - Voting on the Reading Program: \$7650 - Voting on Barista Training for the Coffee Cart \$4183, - MC noted another possibility for fundraising is to paint and replace mirrors in the gym, to complement the other renovations. KM suggested this could also be an opportunity for a 2026 working bee. - Good initiative to begin the 2026 fundraising, with any additional funds going to the landscaping.

Principal's Update	Principals report • Community Recognition statement from Koby Shetty for the work done to organise the 50th anniversary celebration • The first edition of the student newspaper funded by the P&C has been published. They've started working on the second addition with assistance from the English faculty • Thank you for the staff morning tea - a great opportunity for staff to come together and for farewells • Marine Studies equipment that was funded by the P&C has been installed • Rotary grant + P&C funded water cooler in the support unit has been installed. • P&C funded Gold excursion award went ahead at the end of last year. Important for rewarding positive behaviour • Funding proposals: Gold excursion funding - 4 x \$500 - raised by CD, seconded by JB • New student honour board purchased and updated & Wall of Honour entries put on display • Science lab refurbishment is in progress • The pontoon has been resurfaced • Hall floor re-surfaced & re-lined • New gate signs have been installed • Phase 1 of the gym refurbishment has been completed with new equipment, stands and branded flooring - located down the stairs at the back of the hall then on the first landing on the left. Used for the talented athletes program, some teachers & students • Hall AV upgrade (partly funded by a P&C grant) to be completed next week & Fire panel fixed • Projects for 2026 - Aboriginal histories & cultures, Instructional rounds & observations, Student voice • Looking for feedback on whether the community would support a ban on laptops during breaks • Alana Regan - update on initiative for yr 7 students to report bullying via a Google form. This has allowed these issues to be addressed before they become worse & has allowed a process to address these issues to be implemented. This will now be rolled out from 7 through to 10.
College Principal's Update	College Principals report • 17th Feb 5pm College Presentation evening at Sydney Town Hall. Everyone is welcome to attend and to see the whole College in action. No RSVP required. • Public Education Expo - 26th March. All Ironcove Schools come together with SSC to showcase all of the excellent work that goes on in the local public schools at Blackwattle Bay campus from 5-7pm. Blackwattle P&C will be running a BBQ. Do we want to combine with the other campuses for a P&C stall? • Ad for the substantive Balmain Campus Principal should be going state wide during the next 2 weeks. Interviews should be conducted before the end of term with a start date of term 2.

President's Report / General Business	Presidents update • Meet wk 3 (zoom) and wk 8 (face to face). AGM 17th March in Balmain Common Room. • All committee positions open at the AGM. Please come along and volunteer. To vote & be nominated please pay the \$5 membership fee. • The school does a great job of engaging with students and supporting them in their development. If you have concerns about school communication etc, please first check with your child before contacting the school.
Treasurer's Report, incl approvals (if reqd)	Treasurer's report • CD proposed accepting financial report, seconded KM • Financial update 2025 calendar year will be presented at the AGM, no substantial change since December's meeting. A few second hand uniform sales in the last week. Pre-audit raised \$90000 last year and after expenses & school funding still had \$30000 remaining. • Financial statements will be circulated prior to the AGM • Congrats to Ligita - amazing work in the second hand uniform shop. • All voluntary contributions to the P & C in school fees get funded back into the school. Details on how to pay on the website.
New Business	• Appointing an auditor Options: 1. The auditor used by Blackwattle - Falcon Accounting, based in Canberra, Cost circa \$660 2. Bacchus Advisory - local business with an audit quote of \$645 - committee voted to go with the local company • Thank you to outgoing auditor, Mr David Ireland, for his many years of support • Changes to funding update • Nominating for P & C roles at the AGM
Correspondence In/Out	
Next meeting	Week 8, Term 1, Tue 18th March AGM followed by General meeting

Meeting closed at
7.55pm