

Dobroyd Point Public School P&C Minutes

Date: Friday 28th March 2025

Present: Andrew Sweeten, Anna Virgona, Sarah Percival, Antoinette Trimble, Lorraine Devjak, Kurt Wilson, Sarah Percival, Blake Crosbie, Gabrielle (OSHCare), Hal Dotson (OSHCare), Julia Errington, Eliza Johnson, John O'Connor, Sue Morrissey (Principal).

Apologies:

#	Topic	Notes	Action
1	Opening & Acceptance	Minutes of the meeting from Feb were accepted. Moved AV, seconded by LD.	Exec
2	Principal's Report	Attached to Minutes	Sue
3	Finances	Updated Financial Summary <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Currently sitting with \$95,800 in accounts. Uniform payment to come out - \$1800. 	Kurt
4	Construction	Next Project ideas: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Italian demountable likely to be removed and Italian classes to move to demountable in top playground. Art and afterschool activities are able to utilise the same space. OSH will have to remain in current space. 	Sue/Lou
5	Education	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Library needs more support to cover books. OSH <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Survey to go out to parents to provide feedback. There is a need to retain numbers. Difficult during Vacation Care in holidays. Term number currently consistent and good. OSH to see if they can use their own resources to provide better quality toys and books for children. 	Sue Gabriella
6	Extra Activities	Social Calendar: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Will be provided to families for the full year to increase participation. Support/Volunteer Chart: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Amendments to the chart include Election, catering, and recycling. Will add and present to Exec for distribution. DPPS Markets: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Difficulty getting feedback. Will approach two more companies to discuss options and viability for DPPS. 	Lou
7	Fundraising	BayRun <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Booked for August 3rd, 2025. Kindy parents to support the BBQ on the day. 	Lou

- Gymnastics lessons to be extended for an additional week.
- School secured Sporting School grant to pay for athletics program in Term 2 – P&C will not be required to subsidise this program.
- Falling enrolments were raised with Jo Haylen, our local member, last year. She passed our concerns onto Pru Car, Minister for Education, who responded via a letter. It was noted that our school has strong community connections and schools in the local area are experiencing lower enrolments due to changing demographic factors. The school's catchment area has been under review. (See letters below)

Upcoming Dates:

Cross country carnival next Tuesday

Stage 3 at overnight zoo excursion next Thursday afternoon

ANZAC Day assembly on Thursday 10 April

Easter Hat Parade – Friday 11 April at 9:40am in the hall



JO HAYLEN MP

STATE MEMBER FOR SUMMER HILL

Ms Susan Morrissey
Principal
Dobroyd Point Public School
Waratah St Haberfield NSW 2045

14 February 2025

Dear Susan,

Thank you for raising the issue of declining enrolments at Dobroyd Point Public School with me when I had the pleasure of visiting your school recently.

I know the importance of having an outstanding school with strong local connections like Dobroyd Point available to the community.

I have received the enclosed from the Hon Prue Car MP, Minister for Education and Early Learning in response to the urgent letter I sent on your behalf.

As you will learn, Minister Car has sought advice from the Department of Education on this matter and advises that schools in the local area are experiencing declining enrolments due to changing demographic factors. The key factor given is the affordability of the local area to families with primary-aged students.

The Minister also notes that the intake area for Dobroyd Point Public School has increased over the last three years and the Department is continuing to monitor this issue.

I hope this information is useful to you.

Please do not hesitate to contact me again if I can be of further assistance.

Yours sincerely,

Jo Haylen MP
Member for Summer Hill

*Hope all is going well
into the new school year!
Jo.*

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Minister for Education and Early Learning
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The Hon J E Haylen MP
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Dear Ms Haylen^{JO}

Thank you for your letter of 8 November 2024, regarding enrolments at Dobroyd Point Public School.

I have sought clarification and advice from the Department of Education on this matter and I am advised of the following:

Dobroyd Point Public School is a well-supported local school and valued for its strong community connections. Schools in the local area are experiencing lower enrolments due to changing demographic factors. The prevalence of single dwelling housing and low numbers of apartments are factors impacting the affordability of the local area to families with primary-aged students.

In the last three years, the intake area for Dobroyd Point Public School has been increased. The department will continue to work closely with the school to ensure great outcomes for students.

Should you require further information on this matter you can contact Mr Simon Paterson, Director, Educational Leadership, Iron Cove Principals Network, by telephone on 9582 5809 or by email at metrosouthstpeters@det.nsw.edu.au.

Sincerely

Prue Car MP
Deputy Premier of New South Wales
Minister for Education and Early Learning
Minister for Western Sydney

11 February 2025