

Dobroyd Point Public School P&C Meeting Agenda (March Meeting Postponed to 1st April) Wednesday 1st April 2020 - 8:00pm

1. OPENING

Attendees: Marcus Trimble, Susan Morrissey, Jacinta Hargan, Phil Hall, Meg Huckstepp- Lowe, Sarah, Kim Middleton and Zoe Cookson

Apologies: Steve Smith, Brendan Kelly, Jennie Rule and Valley Mein

2. ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING (FEBRUARY 2020)

Moved: Susan Morrissey

Seconded: Zoe Cookson

3. PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

- Very successful swimming carnival on Fri 28 Feb at Enfield Aquatic Centre Great venue. We will try to rebook for 2021
- K-6 Anti bullying workshop Mon 2 March
- School has expressed interest in participating in the Year 1 Phonic Check trial. We will be advised in Term 2 (possible delay due to COVID-19) if we have been accepted.
- Zone Swimming Carnival 10 March – successful day, bit no DPPS students progressed to next level.
- School Security cameras – we are working with school security to have cameras installed. The quote obtained last year was very general and included cameras to cover main areas of playground but did not include cameras to cover key areas, such as bathroom entrances. Safety & Security have been asked to expand scope of quote to include more cameras. Hopefully we can get this started in Term 2.
- Small Steps Anxiety workshop originally planned for 18 March has been re-scheduled for 21 October 2020 @6:30pm
- Home learning since Tuesday 23 March – an enormous thank you to parents and caregivers for their support and patience as we sorted out the delivery of lessons using Google Classrooms. Feedback from parents & students has been mostly positive and issues raised have been addressed. Teachers are starting to include video messages and instructions into daily lessons. The content will continue to become more varied as the teachers become comfortable with the technology.
- Grants – Application for solar panels has been process by Asset Management Unit (AMU). They have advised that it is usual practice to wait until a group of schools are ready to proceed, then a tender to supply a cluster of schools is released. AMU have been contacted for an update on proceedings, but no reply received yet.

Jasmin's playground. Application to AMU will be submitted this week. Need Director to sign off on application, so just confirming the following budget:

\$20000 (grant) + \$30000 (P&C) + \$50000 (school funds) = Total budget \$100000.

- Draft Digital Devices policy – no feedback received at this point – we will give the community until the next meeting to submit feedback before the policy is adopted.
- Cancellations due to COVID-19:
NAPLAN 2020
All PSSA competition in Terms 2 & 3 (winter competition)
All representative sporting & CAPA events in Term 2
Alternate arrangements will be made for the OC Entrance exam – details will be advised when received
- Stage 3 camp – re-scheduled for end of Term 3 – dates TBC – will advise parents as soon as date is confirmed
- Home Learning update:
Operating since Tuesday 24 March – feedback from parents very positive
Teachers starting to incorporate video messages into daily routines
No plans for using Zoom or live classes at this stage due to equity issues. It is important that all learning materials are available for all students to access when convenient & fit in with family commitments.
Daily updates to keep parents informed - School website links are updated by The Department of Education to contain latest information about COVID-19 and home learning.
- Gonski funding allocation query:
Question based on article published in SMH
In 2019 the school received the following equity loadings:
Aboriginal background loading \$5125
English language proficiency \$4998
Low level adjustment for disability \$69288
Quality Teaching Successful Students \$43433
All equity funding loadings were spent on the intended purpose in 2019.

The school had a surplus of approx. \$170000 at the end of 2019. The surplus was due to payments for projects such as the bike rack cover & CCTV cameras being held over until 2020. The remainder of the surplus was due to staffing costs that amounted to less than was budgeted for due to variations in teachers' wages.
The budget prepared for 2020 is based on preliminary budget allocation and displays spending of all government funds. Final budget allocation for 2020 has not been received at this time. Please remember budgets are just a plan and often circumstances change.

4. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

- Thank you to Susan and both the teaching and non-teaching staff at Dobroyd Point for all of their wonderful efforts in moving teaching online due to the pandemic. P&C would like to know if there is anything at all we can do to assist.
- Congratulations to Jennie Rule and to all others involved in the Community Building Partnership Program, a NSW government grant. Next step is for assesst management to approve and for a construction company to be engaged.
- Trivia Night this year Antionette Trimble and Catie Oliver
- Bay Run committee meeting tomorrow evening to discuss how this will proceed this year in light of pandemic.

5. TREASURER'S REPORT

No Treasurers Report. Treasurer did not attend meeting.

6. GENERAL BUSINESS

a) Grants Updates

Jennie Rule was unable to attend meeting, but provided the following table as an update on the grants

DPPS Grants Dashboard		Dollars				Comments
Program Name	Project Name	Grant \$ Requested	Grant \$ Awarded	P&C \$	DPPS \$	
Community Building Partnership Program	Everyone Can Play Amongst The Trees	\$ 49,448	\$ 20,000	\$ 25,000	\$ -	Project Completion: by 31/12/21 AMU approval as prerequisite - Sue Council to provide further info - Jennie
Local Schools Community Fund	Technology 4 Learning	\$ 19,917	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	Unsuccessful \$5,000 committed by P&C is not required Can reapply later this year - Sue to advise
Sustainable Schools Grant	The Sustainability Circle	\$ 17,209	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 913	Unsuccessful (lottery) Submission eligible Can reapply in Nov
Solar My School	Dobroyd Point Public School	\$ 8,000	\$ 8,000	\$ -	\$ 8,000	Sue to provide update School will meet Council contribution

applications.

a) Jasmin's Playground

We need to re-open the conversation with the school community as to what the playground should be like, what it should include. Some companies run workshops with community, also the students, to help gauge needs and wants. P&C to work on tender panel. Next steps to follow after Susan speaks with Asset Management.

b) What's app Year Group - community guidelines

They are targeted channels for the P&C and school. Not forums for gossip or social conversations and not appropriate for the kids to be in.

c) Waratah Street Parking restriction application

Meg Levy has approached school about applying for restrictions in parking on this side of the school. Content in this application suggested that people who were using these spots for all day were in the wrong - P&C does not agree with this, it is not an offense to do this and those who do park in these parks are within their rights to do so. Marcus asked Meg Levy to take this out of the application, and to emphasise safety instead. The P&C did not endorse all the language of this application. However it does make sense to have a 15 minute drop off area in this area. The school has received notice from IWC they have now received this application, outcome still to be advised.

d) Intensive Swim Classes

It has been raised via What's App parents group that swim classes would be beneficial to students at the school. Susan Morrissey indicated that Dobroyd Point has never done them. Some schools do and conduct lesson over a two-week period or every Friday for a term. Susan advised the cost would approximately be \$12 a lesson per student and bus costs (\$400 per day), therefore approximately \$150 for parents. Some students could have this fee paid by the school. It would take half of the school day to this and this would impact on the curriculum.

7. CLOSE OF MEETING

Next Meeting Date: 20th May 2020

Time and Location to be confirmed.