

ALSTONVILLE HIGH SCHOOL P& C ASSOCIATION

Meeting Minutes – 24th February 2021

Meeting opened: 7.05pm

Attendance: Jacinta Rowe, Simon Chate, Shirley Robertson, Shirley Fogerty, Emily Wah-Day, Jane Green, Aimie Gibson, Michael Lynch, Sandra Rosner, Suzanna Turner, Kate Rankin.

Apologies: Aaron Perkins, Diana Unsworth, John Parker, Rebecca Kent, Leah Taylor, Tim Seymour.

Previous Minutes: 28 November, 2020

Motion: That the minutes of the previous meeting, held on 28 November be accepted.

Moved: Sandra Rosner Seconded: Emily Wah-Day Carried.

Matters Arising:

- **Uniform**

Shirley Fogarty & Jacinta met with Wendy, the Regional Manager from the School Locker. Wendy suggested that they can do everything from design to distribution, etc. School locker offers continuity of supply, uniformity of product, ease of provision and distribution. Single manufacturer, single point of purchase, continuity of employment for Shirley (still employed at the school.) etc.

There would be some increases and some decreases in prices.

Proposed to join up with the School Locker.

P & C would enter into a service agreement with the School Locker.

There would still be 2nd hand sales of uniforms

Advantages:

- All the above and we get to spend more time community building, etc.
- A steady income stream – every item with a logo provides 2.5% income.
- There are benefits due to the various commercial partnerships the School Locker has – e.g.: Harvey Norman, Canterbury, New Balance, etc.
- They also have a buy back policy – for any items that we might discontinue.
- School locker can also set up an online purchasing system.
- Stable employment for Shirley Fogerty
- There would be three different outlets including the AHS Uniform shop
- Comes with new retail software and eftpos machine

Disadvantages:

- That we lose a significant income stream.
- Some discussion around increases in price of the uniform items if they transfer to school locker.
- Looking into the possibility of the school locker having some type of gift/loyalty card.
- General positive comments about the idea – giving the hard, focused work to the school locker and leaving the P & C to do the fun stuff.

Motion: To move forward using The School Locker for design, development, production and sales.

Moved: Jacinta Rowe Seconded: Emily Wah-Day Carried unanimously.

- **Year 12 Formal**

- Year 12 want to go to Summerland House. Great for photography and a stand up / finger food style formal. P&C to work with the year 12 year advisors and formal committee on this. Venue is officially booked for Thursday, November 11. Would be Covid dependant who attends.
- Year 12 currently has two teams working on this – a fund-raising team and an organising team.
- School to continue to provide the in-school formal picnic as well.
- Updates next meeting.

- **Communication Methods**

- Letter sent to all parents this term stating the different methods of communication.
- Newsletter – a letterbox that goes out once a term to all 2477 letterboxes.
- Aaron Perkins is starting to give workshops on how to effectively use the Parent Portal.

Treasurer's Report:

- Term Deposit: Rolled over for the 12 months
- P&C donated all physical items / assets in the canteen back to the school as part of closing the canteen – \$71,000.
- P&C earned approx. \$22,000 on profit and loss statement (including job keeper.)
- Insurance claim returned on a dodgy fridge
- Float from 2020 – some amounts owing to P&C (\$255), some owed from P&C (\$106.00).
- P&C purchased student injury insurance (for at school and excursions). Parents are required to pay the bills and then make a claim and will be reimbursed.

Motion: That the Treasurer's Report be accepted:

Moved: Michael Lynch Seconded: Simon Chate Carried.

Principal's Report:

- Sandra's report was displayed for all to read. No real issues arising.
- Yondr pouches are going really well. The students are more attentive and communicative in breaks.
- School Improvement Plan – Sandra is planning to update her vision statement and context, making them more detailed, and including more of the local indigenous perspectives. Improving the terminology used in the plan to include:
 - Promoting respect for self, others and place.
 - Ensuring the school culture makes the most of the community partnerships that we have available.

Motion: That the Principal's report be accepted

Moved: Emily Wah Day Seconded: Shirley Fogerty Carried.

Correspondence in & out:

In: Voting for 2021 Election of Councillors and Delegates
In: P&C Community Leadership Virtual Town Hall, Mar 3rd.

General Business:

● **Canteen**

- Increase in canteen prices ... can the school influence that at all? The school will keep an eye on prices and can influence to some extent.
- Will look against other Canteen's prices in the area
- GST now included.
- Drinks have not increased in price.
- Some of the suppliers have changed and the menu is liked more by some and not by others.
- The food is generally healthier and therefore more expensive
- Simon addressed environmentally friendly packaging. Alison willing to let Simon see if can get packaging that doesn't cost more than what is being used.

● **P & C Breakfast & Homework Club**

- Kids appreciate the breakfast and homework club.

Motion: That the P & C commit to providing \$1000 a year in support of the Breakfast and Homework Club.

Moved: Kate Rankin

Seconded: Michael Lynch

Carried.

● **Future Meetings – Time & Venue**

- Discussion was had about location and times for the next and future P&C meetings.
- Mixed on times preferred
- Sandra does not want meetings held on the school grounds in future.

Motion: Alternate meetings between in person at the Bowling Club and online Zoom. The next meeting in March (AGM & General Meeting) is to be held at 6.30pm at the Plateau Bowling & Sports Club in Alstonville. Optional to arrive from 6pm for ordering dinner beforehand.

7.00pm for future Zoom meetings.

Moved: Jacinta Rowe

Seconded: Shirley Robertson

Carried.

Meeting Closed: 8.45pm

Next Meeting: **Wed 24th Mar, 2021 (6.30pm at the Plateau Bowling & Sports Club in Alstonville, 6pm for dinner & chat)**