



Curl Curl North Public School P&C Association

Minutes

8th February 2022

Meeting opened: 7.15 pm

Attendance: 36 attendees:

In person:

Andrew Whitaker, Stuart Wagland, Stephanie England, Catherine Fitzgerald, Paula Cowan, Robert Killian, Kylie Trabona, Karen Crawford, Rebecca Boyle, Peter Reavie, Nicole Martin, Nick Lawry, Donna Blatchford, Natasha Brain, Christine Falzon, Melissa Fox, Fiona Grummett, Bronwyn Berry, Catherine Harris, Claire Salem, Sal Burton, Brianna Sandstrom, Rebecca Eddington.

Online:

Dominic Kennedy, Melanie Crea, Nicole Martin, Cam Dinnie, Dominic Kennedy, George Davies, Emma Levett, Rebecca Lawson, Angelica Rosato, Kristy Goodwin, Cass Sananes, Josie Tauro, Seonaid Thomas

Apologies: Peter Reavie

Acknowledgement of Country read by Andrew Whitaker.

Acceptance of Minutes

There was acceptance of the minutes from 23rd November 2021.

Andrew Whitaker Moved
Catherine Fitzgerald Seconded

Business Arising

The P&C wanted to thank Robert Killian for all his fundraising efforts over 2021. His continued support is very appreciated.

At the last P&C meeting, Paula shared some photos around the damage to Curl Curl lagoon where kids have been chopping down trees, wrecking grass and building bike ramps. By way of update, Paula said that damage has now stopped and the council have been rectifying the damage caused.

Correspondence

P&C Letter to the Minister of Education

P&C Executive sent a formal letter on 23rd January about a current Year 3 teacher and the concerns that parents had at the school. The letter was sent to the Minister of Education. The following people were copied on the letter:

- Julie Kennedy, Director of Educational Leadership at NSW Education;
- Zali Stegall, MP for Division of Warringah;
- James Griffin. MP for Manly; and
- Donna Blatchford, Principal at Curl Curl North Public.

The P&C have not yet received a reply to the letter. More on this topic under Any Other Business.

Parking at the Kiss n Ride on Playfair Road

A parent came along to the P&C meeting to express concerns about misuse of the Kiss n Ride which is causing long traffic queues and is dangerous to children. Rather than dropping their children off quickly, some parents are parking at the Kiss n Ride for some time. Donna agreed to remind parents about the Kiss n Ride rules in her communication on 9th February 2022. It was also agreed that the school would get in touch with Northern Beaches Council to occasionally monitor the Kiss n Ride with a parking attendant.

Treasurer's Report Stuart Wagland (SW)

Full details of report distributed prior to the meeting. Stuart provided overview of the report and finances for December 2021.

Fundraising Stephanie England (SE) and Catherine Fitzgerald (CF)

Unfortunately, due to COVID-19 safety regulations, fundraising at the school is still delayed. It was agreed that there would be a discussion about fundraising at the AGM in March. Stephanie asked for any parent volunteers to join the Fundraising committee.

Canteen, Uniform Shop and OOSH Report Andrew Whitaker (AW)

Canteen

Over the counter sales are to resume at lunchtimes from the canteen again this week. The canteen received OOSH's old computer which is a welcome upgrade.

Uniform Shop

The Uniform Shop is opening again on Tuesdays and Fridays, 8.30-10.00. Parents are welcome to enter the school to go to the Uniform Shop at those times. Any second-hand uniforms can be dropped off by parents at the uniform shop at those times.

OOSH

OOSH had a successful vacation care and lots of children attended the three groups.

OOSH still has spare places. The government has issued \$500 vouchers for parents to send their children to OOSH and vacation care, so parents are encouraged to book a spot. This scheme commences on 28th February.

Principal's Report Donna Blatchford

Donna presented the Principal Report on behalf of Donna for February 2022. A copy is attached to these minutes.

Of note, Donna mentioned that the school has 715 students and 29 classes this year.

Commination from the School

Paula requested when a communication comes from the school, it often refers to 'your child' which can be confusing to parents with more than one child in the school, especially when the class or year group

is not referred to in the communication. Donna agreed to speak to the school's business manager to see if the communication can be clearer.

Rapid Antigen Tests (RATs)

The next delivery of RATs have arrived at school and we will be sending the next batch of 4 tests home with children on 10th February.

Other Business

Concerned Year 3 Parents

A number of parents attended the P&C to discuss their concerns over the placement of a current Year 3 teacher at the school. After some discussion, it was agreed that:

The P&C Executive would distribute the response from the Minister of Education to the attendees of this evening's meeting.

Donna suggested the possibility of the teacher chatting to class parents about their concerns.

Donna thanked the parents for raising the issue respectively and she said that she is on the Playfair Road gate every morning if the parents would like to chat to her on the topic.

Fence on Playfair Road

Natasha raised the issue that the new fence on Playfair Road tall and a bit intimidating. She suggested that children could perhaps paint the fence in rainbow colours or paint it green in line with the school's approach to the environment. Natasha agreed to explore the option further.

Thank you to the School Leadership Team

Paula wanted to thank the school leadership team for all their amazing communication during 2021 around COVID. She had no idea how they did it when rules were changing so quickly all the time.

Remaining P&C Meetings for 2022

22 March (P&C + AGM)
3 May
14 June
26 July
6 September
18 October
29 November

Meeting closed 9.00pm