

## MINUTES

Vacy Public School

P&C May 4<sup>th</sup> 2021

### Meeting Opened:

7:04pm

### Attendees:

Karen Fonti, Penny Evans, Maree Greaves, Kristen Evans, Phill Clements, Duncan Smith, Vanessa Barwick, Sharon, Richie Hansen

### Apologies:

Jamie Maddocks, Cassandra Alison, Kristy Grainger

### Previous Meetings Minutes:

Presented by Penny. Accepted. Moved: Phil Second: Duncan

Jamie to contact Paul to understand if an external audit of the bank accounts are required

Supper Dance investigations continue as WIP

Vacy Country Carnival are happy for VPS to take on "camp oven lambs" on the proviso the lambs are advertised as slow cooked. VCC would like to see a fire to create the "authentic" look. VCC will have conversation on the transition to VPS as holders of the stall with the previous lamb sandwich stall holders. VPS will seek donations of lambs from families rather than source them through Paterson Butcher.

### Principals Report

- Mother's Day survey regarding what information we can assist our parents with. For example, how to support your child at home with their reading and maths, cyber safety, wellbeing, transition, learning and support at Vacy School etc.
- Total: Thank you to all of the parents who supported us over the weekend. Checklist needed for the future, parents to assist in the purchase of the craft etc. May be an avenue for those who can't help on the weekend to come up with ideas and purchase items needed etc. beforehand.
- Students should not be leaving school early on a regular basis unless they have written permission to attend an authorised activity from the principal. The department frown upon habitual partial absences in the morning and afternoon as students miss important learning time.
- Check In Assessments for Year 4 & 6 this week.
- NAPLAN for Year 3 & 5 will be held in Weeks 4 & 5. Students who are absent during the testing will have a chance to complete the assessments during the two week window. I'll be sending a letter home to each individual student about the test to hopefully ease any anxiety. These

assessments do not count towards individual student in-school reports. They are predominately used to provide data for the Department of Education and the Government which is used to allocate funding.

- Tell Them From Me surveys to be completed by students in Years 4-6 this week. Students can opt out but these surveys provide us with important information about how are students are feeling about their school experience and wellbeing. The results are also used by the Department to make sure we are meeting our negotiated targets.
- COLA fans are still coming. An engineer needs to check the structure to make sure it is able to hold the weight before it can be signed off. A quote of \$1100 was given but I asked for another due to the excessive price.
- Garden project with 2/3T and Aboriginal students is taking place.
- Parents are needed to support the 5/6 class. How maths is used in your job? Questions will be provided maybe a five minute explanation required plus some structured questions.
- Reports go home this term. I will be signing them off before I go on leave Week 8-10.

### **Treasurers Report**

Vanessa presented

The cost of the freezers and Mothers Day gifts have been deducted; current balance, end April:

Canteen A/c: \$1,1761

P&C Account: \$2,464

Moved: Phil

### **Canteen Report**

Many many thanks to Duane and Phil for driving the freezers to their new home! After a few challenges they are now installed, thank you so much Angela for rearranging and having them be so organized! Noted Organic Feast supported the cost of replacing broken parts on the freezer they sold us.

The 4 old freezers can now be sold with the fridge being offered for free. Karen will advertise their sale to the highest bidder on SchoolBag . The fridge (which can leak) will be offered for free.

It was noted that getting volunteers for the Canteen is an ongoing issue. Closing the canteen as a result of this remains the course of action supported by the Committee.

### **Fundraising Report**

Total Field Days was held on weekend with VPS hosting the free craft stall. It was again held in the Chapel which provides shade, shelter from wind and rain. There was, however, huge congestion this year, as a result of the "bounce in" offer on the balance of the Dine & Discover NSW Vouchers used for entry, to the CWA Devonshire Tea stall, also sharing the Chapel. Heather reported difficulty getting in and out and encroachment on space and a lack of ability for passersby to know the stall was in the

Chapel. Congestion was eventually rectified with distributing the bounce in offer across multiple vendors.

Huge thanks to Heather and Karen for organizing the craft, setting up on the day and volunteering! Thank you to those families that gave their time to host the stall.

Discussion on how much VPS will receive for hosting the stall – \$1.5k - \$2k?? Karen has possession of a receipt of \$150 for the craft purchases and will ask Jamie for reimbursement, whilst Penny will also approach Total Committee.

It was agreed that this stall remains the preferred option offered to VPS, especially given the low number of required volunteers to run it.

Thank you Heather for organizing the bulb fundraiser! A large profit has been generated, of around \$1,200, out of ~\$3,000 of sales. A great result and a good fundraiser due to ability to spruik sales via social media and reach out to a wider audience.

Mother's Day stall orders currently at 140. 150 gifts have been purchased. Orders close Wednesday 5 May.

Supper Dance still being considered as an additional fund raiser, WIP.

Paterson Rotary has approached the school to support their Cracker night on 5<sup>th</sup> June. Ideas were discussed such as lamb and gravy rolls, photo booth.

Vacy Country Carnival asked if the school would consider the hay bale maze again. Due to previous challenges of sourcing, transporting, and selling hay at the end of the Carnival it was decided this activity is too difficult to execute. To take advantage of the green space in the School, it was agreed to approach an existing operator that provides carnival activities (jumping castle, putt putt, etc) whom provides a percentage of takings to the host. It is assumed there is little volunteer requirement. It was considered that this could be the Year 6 fund raiser, and students could help if required. Vanessa to follow up.

### **Uniform Report**

None provided

### **New Business**

2020 Annual Information Statement for Charities is due before 30 June to the Australian Charities and Not-for Profit Commission. – It was unclear what information was required for this. Vanessa to follow up with Paul Herman to see if he completed it last financial year.

VPS is now offering a Breakfast Club, with Fleur providing support. This is fully financed by the school.

Big shout out of thanks to Chris and Page Fonti for their \$500 sponsorship on the days the school provides Sip n Crunch.

### **Correspondence:**

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**Next Meeting**

1 June

**Meeting Closed:**

8:07pm