

Lane Cove Public School School Council Meeting Minutes

22/9/20 – via Zoom

Present: Luke Andrews (School Council President), Myles Davis (P&C President), Terry McKinnon, Catherine Lavery (Secretary), Bec Myors, Sue Sutton, Tony Nolan, Sue Procopio, Sarah Smyth, Judy Ross

Apologies: None

Previous meeting minutes: Approved

1) Principal's Report

- Education week went well
- Got It program (NSW health) discussed in the Loop – Based on developing emotional resilience of students. Surveys sent home.
- Positives that have come from this:
 - Professional learning on emotional coaching for the staff.
 - Teacher feedback - Excellent professional learning via Zoom
 - Offering webinars to parents – links to be made available to parents.
- Smiling Minds program – schools signing up to this project. Mindfulness
 - Belinda Faye is the school ccoordinator
 - Trialling with a few classes next term
 - Aim to inservice all staff beginning of next year.
 - Heightened stress and anxiety amongst students (and adults around them)
 - Prioritising helping the children with the tools they need to assist this.
 - Belinda will work with the teachers and run it with the class
- Guideline changes have impacted PSSA, sport, music etc..
 - These current restrictions still stand for next term.
 - Updated guidelines expected around 5th October. Not sure what these will entail yet.
 - Year 6 fete pushed back to end of year (current restrictions would limit this)
 - Year 6 farewell being planned but the exact plan for the night is uncertain.
- School Plan
 - Currently in the evaluation stage of the school plan (last 3 years)
 - Need to set up for the next 4 year plan
 - Situational analysis (needs/focus/goals for next 4 years)
 - Draft situational analysis needs to be written by end of Term 4. Terry to consult school council for input.

- Building and Maintenance
 - Hall and canteen – nothing signed off yet.
 - Insurers and department in negotiation.
 - 3 possible sites considered
 - Original site, bull ring, coral park
 - Preferred site is the bull ring and rectify the original hall area
 - This is all dependent on the insurance/department decision
 - Once approved it could happen quite quickly (? 9 months to build)
 - Other spaces in the school for tennis/netball courts being considered
 - Sue asked if we should be involving local members to be involved in helping to support the redevelopment as spaces could be used by the community.
 - Additional factors to be considered if opening up for community use (extra lighting etc..)
 - P and C has funds for community partnerships. Myles has been in discussion with Anthony Roberts and Pam Palmer.
 - Department of Education will be managing all community communication and consultation. Plans and feedback etc will be via department rather than school.
 - A few trees and a plaque near bullring may need to be considered for relocation depending on the decision around the site.
 - Plan is to keep canteen separate from hall.
 - Architects and planners have been working hard to consider so many factors including history, neighbours, benefit to current students etc..
 - Brookvale school hall was visited by Terry and Luke who were impressed with the facility.

Security fence completed and working well

- After school care commented it is much easier to manage now with one entry into the school.
- Initially challenging for music tutors but working out now.

Quotes for School Signs

- 4 quotes have been requested for signage (electronic)
- Considering also replacing the main sign on Longueville Road
- Location of signs being considered

Mufti day on Thursday this week – handprints on the black wall

Presentation days

- Under discussion about how to approach this years honour awards etc.
- Planning online assemblies to present awards

2) P&C Update:

- Uniform Shop
 - Tarren Smith resigned from Uniform Shop.
 - P&C recruiting for replacement.
 - Upgrading systems also underway
- Music Committee
 - Numbers will be down next year
 - Challenging year for the music
 - No bang Blow Scrape happening this year
- Canteen
 - Simplifying menu (suppliers restricted in delivery times)
 - Staff working without volunteers
 - Temporary accommodation – temperature control issues being worked through with Terry.
 - Doing well considering!
- Financials
 - P&C financially down this year in terms of voluntary contributions
 - No fund raising this year
 - Jobkeeper will extend into December quarter and additional government grants
 - Able to continue to support the school
- Volunteers
 - One barrier with getting more volunteers into leadership positions is around staff management being part of the role. Planning to change this structure in the convenor roles to help attract more volunteers to these positions.

3) Traffic zones

- Difficulties noted along Austen street
- Double parking, dangerous parking noted
- Lots turning right at exit point, U turns over crossings/double lines
- Minor crash the other day
- Simone Bordin working at council looking at signage and rangers presence
- Likely to worsen as construction starts

4) Any Other Business:

- Frog pond update from Tony
 - Installed weather station, classes visiting the space
 - Now an incursion site!
 - Tony coordinating a possible write up on this

Actions Items:

- Terry to distribute 'Got It' program webinar links to parents.
- Terry to distribute next school plan situational analysis to school council before next meeting.
- Everyone to encourage all school community to complete the surveys.
- Terry contacting In the Cove about various matters including messaging around the security fence (in keeping with most other schools having them)
- Terry to add safety warning reminder into the Loop re: traffic zones

Meeting ended at 8.15pm

Next Meeting: 24th November 7pm

Dinner: Tues 8th December - Lillah