

Doreen Primary School Council Meeting
Thursday 12th September, 2019

Present: : Glenn Simondson, Lisa Welch, Ben Miller, Kirsty Branagan, Catherine Ingram, Brent Hardy, Leonie Craig, Naomi Joiner, Michael Kehio, Rebekah DiBerardino

Apologies: Shelley Harris, Warren Sharpe

Approval of Minutes of the Previous Meeting

Motioned Glenn Simondson, Seconded Lisa Welch - Approved.

Business Arising:

Nil

Correspondence:

School Council Newsletter - DET - website that School Council members can access. Permission given to send out link to School Council members via email.

Correspondence regards our "extra" funding. - \$127,480 essential maintenance, \$70,000 for a project as part of the Planned Maintenance program re bushfire at risk school. - hoses, hydrant, shutters. Breezeway, Amount misleading. Will probably end up being around \$90,000 extra than previously allocated.

Principal's Report:

Enrolments

Enrolments are at 152 at present. We expect to have 158 in 2020, which is about perfect for funding and grade sizes. Larger grades will have an aide in support.

Visit by Chinese Students

Our Chinese visitors enjoyed their visit. Our tree and Plaque worked very well, the main challenge being that it was a drain on Doreen staff. We have formulated a better approach for our next visit of larger groups of students in regards activities and structure.

Many activities made the visit engaging for all, with a "Footy" BBQ at the DeLange house finishing off the week.

Overall a lovely experience with homestays but we need more volunteers. Better to have one child in each home. We will also request to only have students from sister school.

Chinese Language

Chinese language to become our LOTE as it's more relevant and one of the most spoke languages in the world. Parent opinions were requested by email but only received one so Glenn to request again by paper notification. We will transition by teaching a cultural program for the first two years t with Di. Maybe Di to learn and teach. Need to work out how to introduce.

JETS Gym

JETS gym concludes for grades P-4 this week, another great experience for our students. 5-6 next term

Hooptime

Our Hooptime teams all competed to the best of their abilities, and we may have our All Star boys go on as they have been given a wild card. They lost the final by 1 point.

Bike Education

Bike Education started with 2 brand new Instructors. Sara Simmonds and Luke Davidson were both trained as full instructors. Luke was originally to be trained as an assistant but the course gave him the two day

full instructor's course for the cost of one. The Head Instructor came out to the school free of charge to help get our children off training wheels, which was a huge success. The Bike Ed program will run right up to Wednesday 16th October which is just before the Great Doreen Bike Ride on 18th October. Teachers and kids are enjoying the sessions.

Approval for the bike ride - Motioned Brent Hardy, Seconded Leonie Craig. - Approved

Bee Incursion

The Bee Man was a fantastic incursion, our students were engaged and quite fascinated. The Bee Man posted on Facebook that he was impressed by our students and the questions they asked.

Prep Transition

Prep Transition is going along beautifully, and Janette has set a few boundaries already. They look like a great bunch.

Sugarloaf Athletics Day

Sugarloaf Athletics Day was postponed due to bad weather predicted by the Weather Bureau which cut things tight with the Division Athletics, but we got it all done. It was a great day, and our fundraising committee did a fantastic running a sausage sizzle. We had lots of help on the day, and lots of success, with 15 children go on to the next level at Meadowglen held today.

Police Visit

We are having a visit by Dan Bloomfield, one of our parents, in a Patrol car next week. We are hoping he will be able to talk to students regards his job etc. We want to teach students to be comfortable talking to the police. We will start with younger grades and see how long he can stay.

Second Leadership Day

Our second Grade 6 Leadership Day will be held on 23rd October.

Approval of activity - Motioned Glenn Simondson, Seconded Ben Miller - Approved

Soccer Day

Soccer Day for the Grade 5 & 6's is being held on 25th October

Approval of Activity - Motioned Glenn Simondson, Seconded Brent Hardy. - Approved

Junior School Council Report September 2019

On the last day of term our school will be having a footy day. We will kick the day off with assembly followed by our normal classes to recess. After that we will have a short amount of time in class before packing up and heading out for some footy activities until lunch time.

Some things we have done at JSC:

We are getting new cubby rules because people weren't following the correct rules.

Our school also received \$127,479.59 to help our school with maintenance and having a good school.

We were also hoping to raise money to get a new sand pit cover or a shade for the sand.

Also we would like to raise money for the prep playground to get a new shade cover because it broke.

Another thing we like to change is new soap in the bathrooms because some people are getting rashes.

Make sure you wear the right uniform - all navy blue or dark blue. If you have a school jumper on then you can wear a rain jacket that is a different colour.

Students would like for the JSC members to raise money to buy toys for the sandpit.

Child Safety Issues

1. CSS Policy changes
2. Regular discussion - School Council, Staff
3. Ensure all adults working with children are aware of their obligations regards Child Safety.
4. Glenn to put up Child Safety posters up in classrooms and around the school as per the expectations of the VRQA.

Buildings and Grounds:

Working Bee

We would like to have a working bee early next term. Suggested date 25th October

Extra Funding.

We have some extra funding. There will be \$70K for making the BER more Bushfire safe. I am not sure what that would entail, as there have been 2 separate projects so far to do that already.

- A 3" main into the school and some sprinklers on the roof?
- A fire Hose reel?
- It certainly needs a paint (internal) and work on the stairs (Glenn to get quotes)

Treasurers Report

CASES Balances

High Yield Account Balance as at September 12th, 2019 - \$38,371.59

Official Account balance as at September 12th, 2019 - \$2,392.92

Total Holdings as at September 12th, 2019 - \$40,764.51

We have a good bank at the present. This means we can ensure our budgets are developed and financed as we would hope. ICT is getting upgrades, but at discount prices and even free.

We are going to apply for a grant to purchase a pottery kiln, If we don't get a grant we would like to spend \$7,500 on purchasing one, as we have the funds. Motioned Glenn Simondson, Seconded Lisa Welch - approved

Financial Reports tabled, approved and Signed

Annual Sub Program report

Sub Program Status Report

Bank Account Movements

Cash Receipts Report

Cash Payments Report

Journal Report

Cash Flow Report

Cancelled Receipts Report

Cancelled Payments Report

Family Credit Notes Report

Operating Statement

Balance Sheet Specific Period.

Approval motioned Glenn Simondson, Seconded Brent Hardy - Documents Approved

Bank Account access and signatories approved

Bank Account access and Signatories to be approved

Ben Miller

Glenn Simondson

Lisa Welch - Restricted access.

Removal of Kelly Dunt as no longer on School Council

Request addition of another School Council Member - K Branagan.

Motioned Brent Hardy, Seconded Naomi Joiner - Approved

Policies for Ratification

- Electronic Payments Policy

- Electronic Revenue Policy

- Cash Handling Policy

- Parent Payments Policy

All policies ratified by school council

Fundraising Report

Summary of revenue raised by Fundraising Committee as at 12th September, 2019.

Hot Cross Buns	\$ 155.00
Easter Raffle	\$ 930.00
Disco	\$ 900.20
Athletics BBQ	\$ 683.90
Sausage Sizzle 11/9	<u>\$ 322.84</u>
	\$2,991.94

Plus Rotary Raffle \$ 976.00

Total **\$3,967.94**

No rotary raffle next year.

General Business

School Values

Our Values are being refined to give to our students to work on. Once that has happened, we will send them home to parents for feedback.

Extension Program

Our Extension Program Development is in the hands of Mr Miller, and will be a focus after we get our Values and Purpose completed.

Possibility of PE time to being increased

If budgets and enrolments work out as predicted, we will be able to add a little time to Sara's Phys. Ed. time in 2020 so as sports teams can be done, but mainly to run a Perceptual Motor Program for students in need of some Gross Motor Development.

School Concert

School Concert preparations are running to schedule. Request made to School Councillors to help out with Crowd Control on the night.

Day on the Court

We need to Change of date.

Possible dates - 5th December, 6th December & 13 December. Need to check with Ewan

If held on 5th December School Council meeting will be changed to 12th December

Round the Table

Signs for carpark - Posters/cutouts of students holding signs with slogans such as you can't park here, you're my role model etc. Kids to come up with slogans. Permission from parents of kids used. Hopefully this will have an impact on carpark behaviour. May not be ready this year.

Glenn to look into how we go about this.

Query on whether goalposts will have pads. - Yes they will.

Request to get feedback from student on Kaboom Sports. A number of students not happy with the way they were treated last year and are reluctant to go back this year. Glenn will contact Laurie Murray, principal at Kangaroo Ground Primary school to walk around and observe on the day.

Ben Miller spoke on the ACMI entries for this year - We are one again entering a game and a video. Video is ready to go, game will be finished shortly. Characters drawn for game by grade 5 students are amazing.

Request for Cooling of small rooms in music room. Purchase of portable coolers motioned Glenn Simondson, seconded Brent Hardy. - Approved

Possibility of a slide down the hill mentioned

Meeting Finished: 9.30pm