

# DOREEN PRIMARY SCHOOL NO. 945

## SCHOOL COUNCIL MINUTES

### 6 August 2020

**Present:** : Glenn Simondson, Ben Miller, Catherine Sutherland, Brent Hardy, Leonie Craig, Naomi Joiner, Michael Kehio, Rebekah DiBerardino, Jaclyn Delange, Carly Bloomfield.

1. Welcome
2. Apologies: Janette Colistra
3. Minutes of the previous meeting  
**Rebekah approved minutes from previous meeting**
4. Business arising from previous minutes
  - **Chinese Teacher** – having difficulties at home and studying in current climate. Might be hard to replace her before next year.
5. Correspondence
  - **COVID 19 Operations Manual** – hoping one arrives soon. Permits have been done for the teachers. Looking into having permits for parents to collect and drop off work.
6. Principal's Report
  - Glenn's plan to survey parents regards remote learning had to be pushed up and made easy to fit the timeframe to add components that made things better. We managed to do this through SKOOLBAG. The main additions were around more interaction across all grades, and getting answers and feedback back to the kids. We came up with solutions, and things seem to be progressing well.
  - LOTS of mine fields at the moment, and time spent on interpreting rules or Operations Manuals is testing to say the least.
  - Changes to SC Meeting schedules. 2 dates nominated for the rest of the year 22 October and 10 December  
**Naomi moved and Leonie seconded**
  - Timetables at School. There has been quite good levels of goodwill from staff in setting these Timetables. As of next week I have cut down the need to travel to school more than once or twice.
  - Interaction with students – ZOOM, Facetime, Google Classroom
  - Lots of things happening in the yard - *Roller door to be replaced in art room with a window and a door. Luke and Glenn to do.*
  - Enrolments still turning up across other grades – *Prep, 2, 3 5. New enrolments from Marymeade and Zimbabwe.*
  - Masks  
Staff are wearing masks as required.
  - NESST meetings – lots of similar experiences. Booklets are common.
  - Onsite attendance – stricter guidelines for who is eligible. No "I can't get them to work at home or we are both working from home and its impossible", but still some Student Welfare based school decisions.

7. Junior School Council report
  - Changes because of time in Leadership.
  - DPS Beanies – *a JSC fundraising initiative – getting these for the school @\$10 and selling for \$15. This will help with so many things that they've missed out on fundraising for this year.*
8. Child Safe Standards Report
  - CSS Policy changes
  - Regular discussion – School Council, Staff – *there's been some that have been struggling so have come into school and it's really helped them.*
  - Ensure all adults working with children are aware of their obligations regards Child Safety.
9. Building and Grounds Report
  - Lots of maintenance being completed
  - Facilities Masterplan completed
  - Application for a \$50K Minor Works Grant.
  - Plan for replacing Art room Roller door. It is not on the masterplan but will be something we could do with onsite labour and simple costs.
10. Treasurers Report

#### CASES Balances

High Yield Account Balance as at August 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2020 - \$51,798.62

Official Account balance as at August 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2020 - \$4,700.09

Total Holdings as at August 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2020 - \$56,498.71

#### Financial Reports tabled 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.

- We made many purchases last term, so due to the Stage 4 Lockdown I think this term will see many costs down. Paper is an issue, however, but what we spend on it we save in other areas as there are less children here.
- Only 35 out of 120 families owe us money at the moment, and many are just small amounts. School fees are being paid. We have had payments made by people who may not be in a great situation at the moment.

11. Fundraising Report

- Cookie Dough Fundraiser. It arrived at school and may be a good thing for kids to do at home during Lockdown.  
Looking into Cookie Dough and Ferguson Plarre fundraiser. Do one now and the other down the track. Glenn looking into wine for a wine drive.

12. General Business

- Masterplan  
Discussed in Facilities
- Student Road safety signs  
all done and looking great.
- School Values Signage.  
Signs of our school values will be made and displayed
- Solar Grant  
Everyone agrees it's a great idea.
- Feedback regards Remote Schooling  
Most feedback was about more communication in some grades which we applied
- Contact from Jinbang PS in China.  
We will be starting cross communication between our teachers and students with those at Jinbang Primary School. This will commence as soon as it can be arranged.
- Suitability of ZOOM Meetings Plan for the rest of the year. No more meetings this term, will hopefully have onsite meetings in term 4.
- Round the Table
  - a. looking into options for live streaming for the Concert and Grade 6 Graduation. And perhaps new options to celebrate the Grade 6s.