

**ASQUITH BOYS HIGH SCHOOL**  
**P&C Meeting**  
**Tuesday, 28<sup>th</sup> June 2022**  
**Minutes**



**Meeting Commenced:** 7:35 pm

**Attendees**

Dawn Kilkelly, Bryce Grant, Sean Kilkelly, Nicole Nicolls, Chris Kent, Melanie Guttman, Briony Olmedo, Selena Alexander, Mitch Zinsli, Sylvia Austin, Greg Cullen.

**Apologies**

Lisa Rothwell, Lucinda Beenie

**Approve Minutes of Previous Meeting: 24<sup>th</sup> May 2021**

*Accepted:* Dawn Kilkelly, *Seconded:* Melanie Guttman.

**Business Arising from Minutes:**

- No business arising

**Correspondence In:**

**Correspondence Out:**

**President's Report:**

- The Mervyn Brown Hall signage has been mounted.  
Mr. Brown's family will be contacted.
- During the winter break, Dawn will compose a Survey to Parents to help increase involvement with P&C, canvas for volunteers.
- Gifts for Year 12 students will be organised at this time.
- Work on a Trivia Night budget.  
Should not clash with Asquith Girls HS event.  
Conducted solely, as an Asquith Boys HS event.
- Father's Day breakfast.  
Karen Bird has been asked if the TAS team would like to cater for the event.
- P&C funds have been released for Department Grants.  
Mr. Grant expressed thanks of behalf of the Department Heads and advised that the funds were currently being spent.

**Treasurer's Report:**

As at 31<sup>st</sup> May, 2022

- Cash Account balance: \$ 6,055.35  
(includes book sales and Mother's Day reimbursement)
- Cash reserve Account balance: \$ 88,050.82
- 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Book Account: \$ 3,181.67

- Funds held by the School: \$ 8,518.93
- Garden Levy: \$ 6,828.66 (released in June reporting period)
- Association Balance: \$ (not reported)
  
- ANC and Charities Annual Report completed
- 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Book balance: is \$ 6,608.39

*Accepted:* Chris Kent, *Seconded:* Nikki Nicolls.

#### **Principal's Report:**

- Bryce acknowledged the Department Grants.
- Staffing changes
  - Ellie Connelly will finish as Head teacher of English on 1<sup>st</sup> July to accept position of Deputy Principal at Crestwood HS
  - Suzie Debman will be appointed to position of Teaching and Engagement
  - Mike Blackwood will retire on 1<sup>st</sup> July after 24 year of valued service
  - Natasha Jackson will return to Asquith Boys HS to fill Mike Blackwood's role
  - Behaviour is expected to improve over time
- MAD Night was a great success.
- Attendance on Friday 1<sup>st</sup> July is uncertain following Teachers industrial action on Thursday and Train Strike on Friday.
  - As a result, the Formal Assembly will be delayed until next term
- News media have reported there are billions of dollars in funding for school infrastructure.
  - Bryce attempted to secure funding for the Multi-Purpose Centre (MPC)
  - But was advised the funds were for building new schools, preschools and rebuilding flooded damaged schools
  - (The P&C would like to thank Mr. Grant for his efforts and persistence)

#### **Grounds Report:**

- Melanie Guttman sought cost and advice for ground cover plants along Peats Ferry Rd
  - Quote from Four Seasons suggested (red and green) grasses.  
Wider beds could accommodate 2 or 3 Grevilleas  
Total cost \$592.80
  - Grasses are tolerant of over shadowing
  - Eucalyptus mulch repels tick and termites (alternatives; lava rock or pebble mulch)

#### **Fundraising:**

- 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Book sales have reached 252. Over halfway.
  - Bush Tele has an article, Cr. Nathan Tilbury pictured at Hornsby Library with Book on display
  - Chris has finished painting signage promote book
- Chris Kent has suggested the Old Boys could be canvassed to promote funding for the MPC
- Trivia Night.
  - Archives can be searched to estimate previous budgets.
  - Sponsors identified: Problems with Paws, Driving School (Mark), A toy store, Decluttering Beavers (Christine)

- Advertisement in BackChat for parents with business that may want to donate prizes

**General Business:**

- Breakfast Club.
  - P&C donated \$ 4,000 to set up
  - \$ 1,500 per year from P&C  
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  - With COVID the funds already provided should cover for the rest of 2022
  
  - Toasters need replacing  
Industrial toasters \$ 830 (capacity: 400 slices per hour)
  
  - Fruit was being donated by Woolworths but COVID ended that and now after floods it could be too expensive.
  - Money already approved can be directed to the industrial toaster
- Absenteeism due to illness
  - Teacher's health should be protected from illness (ratio: 1 teacher/30 students)
  - Google classroom always available
  - Good judgment should be used to determine if a child is too sick or not. (Contagious period should be considered.)
- July meeting to be conducted over Zoom

**Closed:** 8:23 pm

**Next meeting:** Tuesday, 26<sup>th</sup> July 2022