

RAMSGATE PUBLIC SCHOOL

P&C MEETING MINUTES

TUESDAY 12th December 2017

Called to Order 7.15 pm

Present

Per Attendance Register

Apologies

Lisa

Minutes

Previous minutes approved

Correspondence

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Business arising from previous minutes

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Principal's Report – Lorraine Simmiss-Taylor

- School was in Pablos capable hands whilst I was away
- Two teachers appointed. Courtney as a targeted graduate. Kerry Barris and transfer Donna Petrovski from Athelstane. All the best to Mal Andrews we will be sad to see you retire. All the best to Gay Sanford who is also retiring
- Our year 6 Farewell is tomorrow
- Canteen project well underway. Menu is finalised. Online ordering will be implemented. Introduction of seasonal fruit and more items d' jour. Thianna cooked with the kids to introduce some menu items for high school transition and the kids loved the food. Jenny is excited and will be lending a hand next year. Ramsgate Beach Box will be launched.
- Macca said a lot of parents are keen to help now there is healthy canteen initiative
- Thanks to the P and C for all the fund raising you have done. The school is privileged to have so many things due funds raised such as flexible learning spaces, play ground upgrades, air conditioning and much more.
- Request \$37,834.00 funding for flexible learning project
 - Approved no objections

Deputy's Report – Pablo Fernandez

- New kindy transition went really well. Flexible learning spaces helps with this and makes transition smoother
- Christmas Under the Stars. Massive support from staff. Thank you - all the stalls were manned by staff
 - Thianna is an incredibly positive influence on the canteen project. It was very successful to introduce some of the items off the new canteen menu. Kids loved the food. No negative comments at all. One child rejected fairy floss and ate the pasta instead. Parents took commitment sheets to assist in the canteen next year. 1 day a month would be such a great help.
- Unfortunately Athena has broken some ribs and cut her leg. We wish her a very speedy recovery. Amazingly Athena wanted to soldier on after her fall.

- Thank you to Belinda for her efforts not only as P and C President but also for her amazing efforts with the canteen and making it work.

Presidents Report – Belinda Shepherd

- Thanks to Pablo for managing Athena's injury which he had already handled. Thanks so much
- Working with insurance companies to ensure Athena will be well looked after
- Athena will take some long service leave over the summer break
- Supplier accreditation in process
- The canteen will be closed for renovations for the first 2 weeks of next year
- Marie Gable reviewed all the online canteen ordering systems. Marie is looking at the cheapest and most efficient service. Anne asked what are the contract periods involved.
- The Big Screen Movie people have asked if Ramsgate would do a video testimonial in exchange for a free movie night. Suggest Friday 2nd March 2018
- P and C AGM Tuesday 13th March

Treasurers Report – Belinda

- P and C account \$75,217.58 as of today
- Canteen account \$70,697.98 as of today
- Committed \$87,000 to flexible learning spaces and playground upgrades

Canteen Report - Belinda

- Looking at extending Margret and Athena's hours to manage the new canteen menu
- October Canteen P and Ls \$5,636.86 profit
- November P and Ls \$3,600.18 profit
- I would like to warn against the loss of community based canteen. Other schools have tendered out canteen operations and it is a great loss for parents not to be able to network with staff and the wider community.
- Suggest the canteen keep a little extra for the first few terms to see it through the changes
- Need Air conditioner expenditure for past two years for working out average monthly costs for sinking fund.

General Business

- Jenny has said as a new parent she is very impressed with the school and has had a fabulous first year here at Ramsgate
- Need to review the protocols around the Parent Communicator role. Messages to be text based not social media. Parents should not reply to messages from parent rep.

Meeting closed 8:50 pm

Next P&C Meeting – 7.00 pm, Tuesday 13th February 2018