Date: 2 June 2014

Present: Andrew Southwell, Pam Hazel, Brett Foran, Cheryl Makin, Shirree Garland, Sandra Hiscock, Lynne Pilbrow, Michael Pilbrow, Louise Pinson (minutes)

Apologies: Colleen Bush, Sharon Kemp

Minutes distributed and accepted (Andrew, Pam)

Business Arising
- Andrew and Michael will work on the letter re unflued heaters very soon
- Lois Perceval will take the stove from the old canteen for $500. Sandra will organise for Paul Wilkinson to assist with its removal.

Correspondence in
- Uniting Church Parish Fair information
- P&C magazines and information about the new constitution
- Andrew has registered us as a charity

Treasurer’s Report
Colleen is absent (ill). Query re bank signature forms (Andrew, Michael and Sharon) – this is done. Sharon has paid the auditor’s bill. The P&C’s term deposit has been rolled over. No formal report. This will be forwarded at a future date. Sandra mentioned that there is a $300 printing bill to be paid out of ‘Out of the Ashes’ money when it is available.

General Account

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Accepted (.)
Canteen report
Opening balance: $14,659.71
Interest: $15.84
Sales: $17,966.00
Payments: $32,641.55
Closing balance: $14,874.37
Accepted: Pam, Michael
A full summary will be scanned and sent with the minutes.

CBA term deposit $10,106.85 set to mature 8/6/14. Decision to roll it over for four months. Sandra will check if the fax line has been set up.

Principal’s report

- Vocal Ensemble Features: Following their strong performance in the well-received “Little Shop of Horrors” staged over three nights earlier in the month, the school’s vocal ensemble travelled to the Sydney Town Hall to be part of the “In Concert” 900 strong choir full day rehearsals and performances. An expanded ensemble went on to wow audiences and, according to feedback from regional personnel, feature as the highlight of last week’s District Choral Festival at Llewellyn Hall, Canberra. An outstanding achievement by the music staff and their team of students.
- Musical Outcome: With the valued financial input from the P&C and Mr. and Mrs. Blinman, our first musical production for some years managed to cover costs, including considerable new equipment for future productions, and make a small profit which will be used to fund travel for students participating in regional and state musical events later this year. Congratulations to the students involved and the production team for their great work.
- Reconciliation Week: Our Aboriginal students and school captains joined the moving community celebration of Reconciliation Week in the Memorial Hall last Wednesday.
- Athletics/Cross Country: Records tumbled at our successful Athletics Carnival and the Cross Country team excelled at the Goulburn Zone Carnival both held earlier in May. An impressive effort by our athletes and the staff who support them.
- Disability FUN Sports Day: Volunteers from our Community Studies class were highly praised by the Valmar organisers for their valued assistance in running the district sports day participated in by 72 people with disabilities from district towns including Queanbeyan, Goulburn, Young, Cootamundra and Tumut.
- University Visits: Some of our Year 9 Aboriginal students travelled to the University of Canberra on Friday 16 May to be part of a new ongoing program called AIME (Australian Indigenous Mentoring Experience). In addition 48 Year 9 students participated in the “UC 4 Yourself” initiative, also at the University of Canberra, for workshops, tours and activities. Both programs encourage students to aspire to educational achievement, especially at university.
- Year 12 Half Year: Year 12 received their half year reports and awards at a well-attended assembly last Tuesday.
- Staffing: Interviews will take place for the school’s SAM position this Tuesday and an appointment effected soon after.
- Buildings / Facilities: Even after the supposed “final” delay for the rebuild - federal Trade Training funding executed in mid-May – further delay through
threat of a funding shortfall was averted last Monday following the intervention of our trusty lobbyists.

- The “Start Up” Meeting with the contractor and representatives from government departments is set down for this Wednesday and hopefully we’ll see some action on the site soon after.

- Other Matters:
  - Please see InTouch and the school’s website for full details of recent events and achievements, including those referred to here. Sandra will organise for the ‘Teen Sleep’ brochure to be emailed to parents.

Arising:

- Congratulations from Brett on O Day.
- Michael Pilbrow congratulated Sandra on the excellent letter to the Tribune following some poor local publicity

**Deputy Principal’s report**

- Brainstorm tomorrow afternoon for Years 9-12. The production ‘Cheap Thrills’ will look at teenage relationships.
- Year 11 reports will be issued at the celebration assembly on Thursday 19 June, 12.30pm. Other Celebration Assemblies Thursday 17th July. Parent Teacher evening Tuesday 22 July from 4pm. Cheryl asked that the booking form be available online.
- Quality Teaching Rounds are going well – many teachers are taking the opportunity to observe each other’s classes and get feedback on their own.
- We have a number of excellent SLSOs who work very effectively in the classroom to support junior students with specific needs.

**General Business**

- Concern expressed about the distance student and staff have to walk to and from demountables. Students on office duty do most of the walking. Sandra explained the process in place for evacuations and lockdowns. We are buying a new PA system which should be easier to hear.
- Andrew spoke about the current state P&C situation. Disagreement about who heads the state P&C. The Minister of Education has closed down the P&C Federation to investigate. There will be a counsellor and two delegates from each geographical area who will be among the group who run the P&C. We have an opportunity to take on one of these roles. Insurance is still valid.
- Michael mentioned another group (Voluntary Parents Services) who would provide an alternative opportunity for affiliation. Michael will find out whether insurance and support will be covered and bring back information to the next meeting.
- Bunnings fund-raising barbecue will be held on 10 August. Brett will organise a roster (8am to 4pm, three to four people in two hour slots, older students only). Cheryl told us that the local Aldi store will also support a similar fund-raiser event if asked.
- We do need a secretary – Louise will do minutes and Michael will do letters between meetings.
- The 90 second Gonski explanation was appreciated - share it further, [http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xylDiO17RGI](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xylDiO17RGI)
- Pru Goward, planning minister, visiting on 18 July.
• Korean Exchange visit - all trips have been cancelled for this year. We could be a part in 2015 (February or August).
• The minutes of the meeting will be placed on the website.

Next meeting: Monday August 2014