

Campbell High School P&C meeting minutes: Monday 25 Nov 2019

Attendance: Chair: Karina Edwards, Principal: Steve Collins +

1. Welcome and previous minutes

1.1 Welcome and opening remarks from Chair

Karina thanked everyone for attendance

1.2 Apologies

Sarah Dining, Sarah Avakian, Damien

1.3 Approval of minutes

p. 3, 'and DHS' should be removed. Compliance date was 30/9/19. We are now compliant. Trina is misspelt (p.1).

Moved Karina, seconded Joanne Weir

1.4 Business arising

Report on the early closing of the canteen. They are going to leave it open until the 1st bell.

Changes to reporting systems (see 2.1 below)

Caving and canoeing – catastrophic fire conditions meant the trip had to be postponed. Tom Rodriguez had to do all the forms again – his persistence is greatly appreciated.

Successful bid for \$15000 for outside learning space with sensory space in tech quad to provide a place of retreat for students.

Early warning bell system is working well.

It would be good to survey students or talk to SRC (or focus groups) about ideas for how to spend P&C funds.

2 Reports

2.1. President's report

Thank you to canteen and P&C members. Jo, for her financial work, Trina for her financial work. Thanks to Steve for frank and honest discussion. Discussed lunchtime activity ideas and the idea of doing a survey about the toilets (to be picked up again in 2020). Karina was thanked for all her work by the group.

2.2 Principal's report

Steve reported a new template of reporting: CTARL, which is ACT-wide. He is working closely with Dickson and Lyneham – sharing knowledge about providing in time feedback to children and parents. Thinking about what to do about parent/teacher nights and feedback. Should there be more parent/teacher nights? Parents can email teachers (or send an email to info@campbell if they don't

know the teacher's name) if they want to book a longer discussion, possibly with their child. The excursion module will open up soon.

Steve thanked Karina and said that Campbell is fortunate as a community to have functioning P&C. Joanne Weir agreed, stating the importance of the friendliness of the group.

Girls' rugby league team won the ACT championships

Girls stem excursion/ leadership course went well.

School captains announced today to leadership team. Very close competition between the girls.

Northside cluster spectacle – year 9/10 bands. Ours were excellent.

Paul Dylan – talking to Year 10 on Thursday night.

Harry Potter school production – this week at Gorman House

School Chaplaincy programmes have now been taken away across the ACT. Leigh McMulland will transition into being a 'well-being officer' and continue at Campbell.

Draft school improvement programme is being prepared. Addresses reading and writing and improving numeracy targets. Steve is working with Lyneham and Dickson College re PAT testing.

Results of canteen survey – 70% of students use the canteen. Of those who don't, some don't like the food (35%); others raised issues of affordability (30%); their parents pack them a lunch (22%) or they forget or find it too noisy. Things to improve: noise and furniture/ places to sit.

Gifted and talented programme – students say they want to stay in class. They will develop a separate passion project. (Steve talked about a new programme at Dickson called 'integrated inquiry', which is also project-based).

2.3 Canteen report

Please see attached doc. To note: significant increase in sales; 3 staff have earned long service leave. The group unanimously agreed to release money for Xmas gifts for staff, as requested.

3. Parent and community voice: open forum

4. Other Business, close and next meeting

Wine and Cheese 'Meet the teachers' night 2020, Steve to let Karina know a good date

New Year 7 students and families will be sent information about the canteen before they start the years.