

HOME BUSH BOYS

P and C Meeting Minutes

Date: Tuesday 17 February 2015

Meeting Opened: 7.00pm

Opening and Special Guests:

Kathy welcomed all the new year 7 parents to the school, and introduced the new Principal Mr John G Kennedy.

Mr Kennedy briefly spoke and thanked everyone for coming and then went on to thank Mr Tim Jurd, former principal, his deputies Ms Caitlyn Dwyer and Mr Kamie Khurshed and other staff for their support during his transition period and introduction to Homebush Boys.

He also provided us with a brief history of his teaching career.

Mr Kennedy briefly outlined the new reforms, which have been introduced in the education system of NSW.

These can be found on the Education Departments Web Site.

Kathy introduced Mr Scott Belgre Year 7 Advisor/Co-coordinator

Scott briefly discussed what the year 7 students have been doing for the first few weeks, talked about the school camp they attended and the various activities that they were involved in. Photos of the camp will be uploaded to the schools Facebook page in the next few days.

He informed year 7 parents if they are not on his email list please leave it with him so that he can send fortnightly updates in relation to year 7 schooling programme.

P&C Meeting short due to time not run as per usual.

In Attendance: As per attendance book

1. Minutes of previous meeting:

Not accepted until next meeting.

2. Correspondence

Audits Report

3. Treasurer's Report

P & C Signatories and general paperwork currently being organised

4. School council

No report

5. Principal's Report and Executive staff

Caitlin informed us of the year 7 meet the teacher night to be held on the 3rd of March. It is an informal event but a great introduction for year 7 parents to meet teachers some refreshments will be served and P& C parent helpers would be appreciated.

Caitlyn also informed us that the prefects this year would like to contribute beyond the school. A prefect afternoon tea was organised with other high school students where different issues were discussed including academic, behaviour, tolerance and multiculturalism.

6. Fundraising Committee

Discussed holding a social night. Look into dates for Barefoot Bowls/Karaoke/BBQ at Concord Bowling Club. Expressions of interest from, new year 7 parents. Cheryl to investigate.

7. Instrumental Music Programme Report:

Jeff Mallia introduce himself to new parents briefly gave a report on what the school has to offer with music outside class and what the instrumental music programme s about. He is happy to talk to anyone who wanted more information on the programme. There is also a music camp coming up March 11 to 13.

8.General News and Other Business

Kathy let everyone know about the Strathfield Citizenship Nights and how the school provides the catering for the event it is a fundraiser for the school which is held 4 times a year. At the moment we have been lucky Fiona a parent at the school has been running and organising. Anyone interested in helping please speak to Fiona.

Kathy informed the parents that the P & C holds forums at most P & C meetings and encouraged them to attend as they are informative and relate to their boys and education. Topics included in the past have been English, Maths, Welfare and Career Advice. If anyone has any topics that they think they might like please let us know.

Issues that will be discussed in the coming meetings will be the new planning proposals around Parramatta road and how it will impact the school.

Other fundraising ideas. Kim introduced us to a Cook book which we will look at in detail in the next meeting.

Next Meeting: 17th March 2015

Meeting closed 9.30