



**Chatswood High School P&C General Meeting (via zoom)**  
**Thursday 11 March 2021, 7.30pm**  
**Minutes**

**Attendees:** David Osland, Alex Hudson, Ann Proudfoot, Apurva Kamat, George Dragoi, Jenny Biggins, Karyn Cardew, Kylie Barter, Matthew Baird, Melonie Bayl-Smith, Rebecca Cleary, Sarah Boyd, Tali Friedman, Angela Huo.

**Apologies:** Angela Todd, Lynn Donohue.

**Previous Minutes**

**Motion:** *To approve the minutes from the previous meeting without alteration.* Moved by Jenny Biggin and seconded by Apurva Kamat. Motion passed.

**Actions Arising from the Previous Minutes**

(nil)

**Principal's Report**

The building project is progressing but continues to have logistical challenges. The school numbers are still growing. The School Improvement Plan is continuing to be developed and finalised.

The school is gradually returning to some normal activity as the COVID-19 restrictions are eased. There is a focus on getting year 7 parents more connected with the school. Year 7 student numbers have grown to 326.

Discussions with parents around the winter uniform may be needed as students are claiming to be too cold in their uniform. Alex Hudson highlighted that changing the uniform is a very long-term project.

**President's Report**

George Dragoi provided a summary of highlights from the attached President's report.

Two wellbeing events have been held in the past two weeks – The Art of Smart and Sleep Connection. Both were well attended and received positive feedback from participants.

A year 7 information event for parents is being discussed with the Principal. George will continue to work with David Osland to organise an event.

George recently toured the building work. A parent provided feedback that students have reported that the air conditioning in some demountable classrooms is not working.

## **Treasurer's Report**

**Motion:** *That the P&C adopt the 2020 Audited Financial Report.* Moved by Apurva Kamat and seconded by Jenny Biggin. Motion passed.

**Motion:** *That the P&C sign and send the Representation Letter to the Auditor.* Moved by Apurva Kamat and seconded by Sarah Boyd. Motion passed.

Apurva Kamat also provided a summary of income and expenditures for the P&C for January and February 2021.

## **Uniform Shop**

Alex Hudson provided a summary of the attached Uniform Shop report. More volunteers are being sought. The shop is quite well stocked for winter uniform. A reminder that the shop will only be open on Thursdays in Term 2.

## **Other Business**

A parent asked if we could start a P&C Facebook page to share information between parents. This was discussed as a possibility and it was indicated that if any parent would like to run this page they would be welcome.

**Action:** That Tali Friedman and Jenny Biggin discuss and research Facebook page option prior to the next P&C meeting.

David explained that new school boundaries will apply for 2022. If a family has a child already enrolled at the school but are now living outside the new boundaries, a sibling is likely to be able to attend the school.

A parent raised the issue that school bags are very heavy for the younger students when they no longer have access to a locker.

A parent asked about hats at school and it was discussed that, if the child won't wear the school cap, an alternative similarly coloured hat is acceptable rather than no hat.

Online payments have been discussed with the canteen. The canteen is reluctant to introduce online ordering and payment due to the cost involved. Feedback from parents at the meeting indicated that a small price rise to cover this cost would be acceptable as parents are very keen to see online ordering in place.

**Motion:** *To change the P&C rules to read "A general meeting of the Association will be held at least twice each school term but meeting dates can be altered if necessary. Meetings will normally commence at 7.30pm and aim to finish by 9pm."* Moved by Jenny Biggin and seconded by Sarah Boyd. Motion passed.

Meeting closed at 8.45 pm.

**Next meeting:** Tuesday 18 May 2021.