CARLINGFORD HIGH SCHOOL P&C ASSOCIATION INC.

MINUTES OF GENERAL MEETING HELD AT THE SCHOOL
WEDNESDAY 14 NOVEMBER 2007

Opening/Welcome by Vice President – B. Rooney: Meeting declared open at 7.50 pm.

Chair: B. Rooney (President); Minutes: W. Whittaker

1. The President opened the meeting and welcomed parents.


Staff: R. Clarke; D. Halloran;


2. The General Meeting was suspended for a presentation from Carlingford High School students Annie Lin and Richard Vorobieff, both of Year 11, who recently participated in a session called “Global Warming, mental health and the future of young Australians”.

Presentation included:

- Annie Lin and Richard Vorobieff, both of Year 11, who along with 25 students from Barker College presented in a session called “Global Warming, mental health and the future of young Australians” as well as participating in a Panel Question and Answer Discussion.
- Session chaired by Prof. Kefford
- Session was attended by well know science journalist/commentator – Robyn Williams
- Generations have had different fears over time – invasions, communism, bird flu
- Today we are faced with a fear that has impact on our generations and future generations – Global Warming.
- Survey of CHS students in relation to health and environmental issues – distributed to approx 50 students in each year. Majority of students were concerned about spread of disease due to global warming. Students did not seem to be as concerned/aware with impact beyond the effect on health. There will be an impact on health, the environment and our eco-system.
- Are we in a position to address the situation we are now in? Or can we at least try to prevent the situation from becoming worse? Need to act now to address the problems that have been caused by past neglect of the environment – before it is too late.
- Need to consider what we can each do to help.
- Need to educate people as to what is required and how we need to look after the world.
- Terms – Climate Change and Global Warming
- Need to be wary of INACTION ... and the influence of the media – which both influence the new generations of the world.
- Media needs to acknowledge that Climate Change DOES exist
- Need to work together to ensure that action is taken.

3. The General Meeting was suspended for the purpose of conducting the Annual General Meeting.

* As no president was elected at the AGM – N. Philip will act as chairperson for the resumption of the general meeting.

General Meeting Resumed at 9.30 pm.

Previous Minutes:

4. Minutes of the meeting 12-Sep-07 were circulated prior to this meeting by e-mail, and copies were available at this meeting.

L. Jenkins moved that the Minutes of the Previous Meeting be accepted.
Seconded: N. Wood. Carried.
Business Arising:

5. nil

Correspondence In:

1. Carlingford High School Staff Certificate of Thanks for ongoing support of International Staff Day
2. Chloe Philip Thank you for donation from P&C School Representation Fund
3. Beautiful Blossoms Invoice for flowers sent to Jeong Ju and Lettie Kwong
4. Lane Cove River District Council of P&C Associations Invitation to Public Education Forum on Tue 25-SEP-07 with candidates for Bennelong (subsequently cancelled due to Bennelong candidates not being available)
5. for Mr. Greg Smith, Member for Epping Letter re proposed changes to bus routes
6. Federation of P&C Letter re publication of weekly E-Bulletin for all members of the P&C Association
7. Federation of P&C Urgent Reminder - Have you paid your insurance?
8. Federation of P&C P&C School Mail out - Term 3, 2007 incl:
   - Annual Conference 2007
   - Federation - External Review
   - Federal Election
   - Training with the Cancer Council NSW
   - Resolutions 2007 Annual Conference
   - Federation of P&C Associations of NSW - Financial Report
   - P&C Insurance Renewals are now due
   - Election Information by Party
   - P&C Newsletter Term 3 2007
10. Hon Julie Bishop MP Letter re 'An Even Start - National Tuition Programme'
11. Canteen Solutions Serving Healthy Food in your School Canteen
12. ACSSO (email) Australian Education Digest - Volume 1 Number 27, 2 October 2007
13. ACSSO (email) Australian Education Digest - Volume 1 Number 29, 16 October 2007
14. ACSSO (email) Australian Education Digest - Volume 1 Number 30, 23 October 2007
15. ACSSO (email) Australian Education Digest - Volume 1 Number 32, 6 November 2007
16. ACSSO (email) Languages Education in Australia - Volume 1 Number 13, 4 October 2007
17. ACSSO (email) Languages Education in Australia - Volume 1 Number 13, 25 October 2007
18. ACSSO (email) Languages Education in Australia - Volume 1 Number 15, 1 November 2007
19. ACSSO (email) Ensemble: Music Education in Australia’s School Communities - Volume 1 Number 2, 11 October 2007
20. ACSSO (email) Ensemble: Music Education in Australia’s School Communities - Volume 1 Number 3, 8 November 2007
21. Clark Tanks Clark Tanks for Schools Brochure
22. Royal Flying Doctor Service of Australia Fundraising - Christmas Cards
23. Chicken & Egg Program Fundraising Promotion
24. My Favourite Candy Store Fundraising Promotion
25. Bug Boy Pest Control Referral Fundraising Promotion
26. SunBlock Australia Fundraising Promotion
27. Mortgage Choice Fundraising Promotion
28. Toys’n’Tucker Organising a Collection for Anglicare
29. Go with the Glow - LED Products Fundraising Promotion
30. Felton Industries Aluminium Seating Brochure

Correspondence Out:

1. CHS P&C - President Thank you letter to Jeong Ju for assistance with translations for Parent Survey Responses
2. CHS P&C - President Thank you letter to Lettie Kwong for assistance with translations for Parent Survey Responses
3. CHS P&C - President Thank you letter to Barry Weir for presentation at P&C meeting
4. CHS P&C - President Thank you letter to Dave Erwin for presentation at P&C meeting
5. CHS P&C - President Thank you letter to Graham Fardouly for presentation at P&C meeting
6. CHS P&C - President Thank you letter to Matt Palmer for presentation at P&C meeting
7. CHS P&C - President Thank you letter to Tanya Leigh for presentation at P&C meeting
REPORTS:

Principal’s Report – (R. Clarke):

6. Copies of the Principal’s Report were circulated at the meeting.
7. Science Labs timeframe has been determined and will be completed by end of March 2008 (2 classrooms).


8. Thank you for the P&C support of the Teacher’s morning tea.
9. Ms Halloran warmly thanked the P&C for their support throughout the year and presented a certificate to recognise this support.
10. A number of other awards were presented to other people who have assisted in the school.
11. Will be requesting some additional funding for Reward Day out – as more students attended than originally expected.
12. Year 11 Camp has gone well.
13. Next week is the Beyond Year 10 experience for students moving into Year 11 in 2008.
14. Ms Halloran attending session next week on Cyber Bullying. Will include brief in information pack distributed to parents at the end of the year.
15. Pastoral care program to be undertaken again next year
16. Parents should have confidence in the wonderful caring nature of the Principal, and his willingness to help counsel students in what they may wish to do.

President’s Report – (vacant):

17. nil.

Treasurer’s Report – (per N. Philip; J. Nixon - absent):

18. Only annual report provided.
19. Proposed that the P&C set up an interest earning internet account associated with the Building Fund.

Motion 1: That the P&C set up an interest earning internet account associated with the Building Fund.


20. This account should operate within the same conditions for other interest earning internet accounts that have been set up.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Uniform Shop – (per B. Rooney; G. Trau - absent):

21. Plea for more volunteers with several volunteers to leave at the end of the year. The commitment is only for 2 hours on one Friday per month.

Traffic & Safety – (P. Roy):

22. Nil.

Music Support – (J. Simpson):

25. Several performances at 40th Anniversary events.
27. Music support group would like to thank P&C for their use of the P&C tea/coffee at events that they have held.
28. P&C agreed that the music support group could continue with the use of the P&C supplies – as it is part of the Parent Support body.

Landscape Committee – (per R. Clarke; J. Lloyd – left meeting earlier):

29. Wishes to have this group known as an Environment Group.
30. Considering format for next year – maybe a monthly type of meeting.
School Council Report – (M. Cochrane):

31. Outline of budgets for faculty allocations just being distributed.
32. 242 students to 227 in Year 7 next year. Currently 8 classes will be set up.
33. Chris Cutler will be taking leave from the end of the year until his retirement date in late 2008. Will be missed at the school.

School Hat Committee - (M. Naicker - absent)

34. Nil.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

35. Reward Day Out required an additional bus for transport of 208 students (had thought it would be 150). This means that the transport cost was more than was considered and approved at the previous P&C meeting.

Motion 2: That the P&C provide up to a total of $3500 to cover the funding of transport for students to the Reward Day Out
(previous meeting moved a motion for an amount of $2000 – which is included in the new total)
Moved: J. Simpson Seconded: B. Rooney Carried.

36. N. Philip provided an update on Parent Survey 2007. Progress has been made to prepare the report based on the responses. Draft Report will be provided by the end of the year, with final report to be available early next year. Number of responses (approx. 200) is down on the past survey (approx. 230). Thanks to N. Wood for her efforts in organising the survey analysis and helping to get the report into shape. Raw data for survey results has been provided to Mr. Clarke. Some problems now that a neutral position is included in the report – making it difficult to compare to past survey results.

37. Helpers for Year 6-7 Orientation Day on Thursday 13 December 2007. L. Healey and K. Mould to provide support on behalf of the P&C. Other helpers to contact either L. Healey or K. Mould.

38. Plans for Welcome to Year 7 – Friday 29 February 2008. As per this event in 2007 –
- Decided that it will be a Welcome to Year 7 Parents and Information Night.
- P&C will provide Wine/nibbles before the Information Session, and then supper following the meeting.
- Years prior to 2007 involved a BBQ with Parents and Students – which was a lot of effort with difficult timing due to the early start. New format is simpler – targeted to the parents – will allow more socialising of P&C reps with parents who are present.
- Numbers attending will be advised by D. Halloran.
- Need volunteers to help on the night. Starts at 7.00 pm. Would need to setup at 6.30 pm.
Committee: Will need to be organised.

Meeting Closed: 10.30 pm


Minutes taken/typed by W. Whittaker