

Byron Bay High School

Parents & Citizens Association

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	Minutes of meeting February 16 th 2021 at 7pm
1.	Acknowledgement of Country - Peter Silberberg
2.	Meeting attendees: - Janine Marcus, Peter Silberberg, Michelle Pullen, Sarah Aldridge, Richard Whan, Chris Byrne, Lisa Wentworth, Natasha Welsh, Emma Rolley, Sue Charles, Jane Stanton-Gillan, Alice Cadwell, Hanson, Simon Field, Denise Woolsey, Sarah McGregor (relieving head of English), Wandy Hochgrebe, Celia March, Ariel Freccia, Seamus McCartnety, Therese Mulder, Bardia Asardi, Shaunti Kiehl, Lara Cranfield, Ella Whan (SRC), Beck Reilly, Vivien Fantin, Bronwyn Watt, Gabe Cramb, Jan Bouwer Guest: David Silcock (Collaborative Growth International), By Zoom: -Kate Gray, Vanessa Lingard, Leah Miles, Warren Lee
3.	Janine: Part of the school plan is to review the curriculum and timetable. It has been nearly 18 months since the new timetable structure was introduced, so it is time for review. David Silcock has been asked to conduct the review as ex-principal at Alstonville high.
	David Silcock: Pay respects to elders past and present. The curriculum outcomes (academic, social, student experience) are to be agreed and then the timetable / delivery will be developed. The project management team will comprise Warren Lee plus 2 teachers, 2 parents, 2 students, plus possible other reps from broader community e.g. Aboriginal representative. The plan will be developed in term 1 for implementation in terms 3 & 4. The project management team will meet two or three times, possibly participate in small group activities and provide feedback on processes. It is not intended to be a huge time commitment.
	Q: How much scope is there for change when the curriculum is set by State government? David: The project team will collect information and feedback and will try to incorporate feedback within the curriculum framework.
	David will publicise information through newsletter. Parent members will be agreed after the meeting. The project team parent member is also to attend P&C meetings to provide updates to P&C and to P&C exec by email outside meetings.
	Q: Is the curriculum broken in some way?
	Janine: It is part of new 4 year plan for school. This curriculum review is just one element, and includes for example how many electives and what subjects are offered and how this is embedded in the timetable. 'Curriculum' covers not just subject work but delivery, methodology, etc.
	Post meeting note: The two parent representatives are Michelle Pullen and Bardia Asardi.

4. Previous minutes:

Building upgrades. As per previous meetings the P&C is interested kin exploring ways of obtaining further funding for building upgrades. It was agreed to create a list of building projects and invite Tamara Smith and/or Ben Franklin to a P&C meeting to discuss the appropriate ways of applying for state government funding. Janine has drafted a list for review with Peter. Tamara is to be invited to the April meeting. It was discussed that we should consider planning and advocacy to align with the next NSW state election in March 2023. There may be other funding opportunities prior to this that could also be explored.

TAFE - Proposal to build a new Connected Learning Centre on BBHS grounds, but a better location has been secured in Byron Industrial estate. The P&C is highly supportive of TAFE establishing a presence in Byron, but not on the school playing field.

Mega raffle – Michelle Pullen. The goal was to raise \$10k and we raised just over \$10,800.

Canteen – The school canteen is run by the school (previously run by P&C), pays the staff and runs the canteen as a business. The P&C collaborates with the school to try to improve the canteen, including reducing waste and providing a healthy menu. Emma has done research into online ordering and will present at the March meeting.

Parent survey – Michelle Pullen. 120 responses were received which were analysed and the comments fed back to the school. Combined P&C and school responses to the parental concerns are now on the school website outlining initiatives the school is already doing to address the issues, what events have been organised in response to the survey and what is being planned in the future. The survey addressed issues such as student welfare, school uniform and mobile phone policy and parents are encouraged to read the responses (Link under 'parents and citizens' tab on school website, then '2019 parent survey responses' or click here).

A parent information evening with a panel of experts in alcohol and drug use in adolescents and a 'Safe on Social' event were held last year to support and inform parents. Another wellbeing event is scheduled for next week at the Byron Community Centre with student support workers Karim Kaufman and Michael Marriot. Tickets can be obtained free of charge. The link for tickets was emailed to parents or <u>click here</u>.

The minutes were passed by Peter Silberberg and seconded by Michelle Pullen

5. Treasurer's update – Richard Whan

- See attached report
- Total funds in bank \$16,427.17
- \$10,801.76 raised by the raffle last year
- \$3,225 donated to the SRC
- 6. SRC update Ellan Whan. SRC members are starting to be selected this week, so far only the Y12 reps have been decided. It has been agreed that this year the SRC exec will interview nominated students and decide on the SRC members without a vote. Money from the P&C raffle will be used on an indigenous art project incorporating signage around the school and a map near the entrance to help new students and parents navigate the school. The SRC has worked with Bundjalung representatives to get approved Bundjalung language for each of the school blocks. The murals will be a Y10 assessment task.

Y12 area - Janine. An application was made at the end of last year for 'Remote and rural schools co-funded projects', offered by the DoE. At the start of this year Janine received an email notifying BBHS was not successful in round 1 and that the 2nd round will be announced in March. If successful the DoE pays 50% of project costs meaning the other

funds being held can be used on other projects. Project costs are: \$50k for Y12 space, \$150k for playground, \$50k for science lab upgrade. To be delivered the Y12 space would need to go to tender (3-4 weeks) and works could be carried out in the next school holidays. The assets officer runs the tender process and this cannot happen in parallel with the grant process.

If no funding is received in March the P&C will discuss a way forward with Janine and look at how the P&C can help secure the funding possibly by lobbying the DoE, etting up a capital works group to secure other grant funding, or proceed without co-funding.

7. Principal's report

Last year ended on a high after a targeted Stage 6 (Year 11 and 12) approach to learning. BBHS did exceptionally well in terms of results compared to other local Department and private schools. Mia Thom got the highest HSC mark with 99.85. See BBHS website for 2020 HSC Results. Year10 and Year 11 students did well in accelerated subjects, plus there were other notable achievements in drama, dance, tech and visual arts.

The situational analysis completed last year and the new 4 year plan is to be finalised by the end of this term 1 2021. There are 3 strategic directions:

- 1. (mandated) Student growth and attainment (targeted literacy and numeracy across all subjects not just English/ HSC/ Teaching and Learning Programs/Assessment Taskoving focus into Stages 4 and5). HSC minimum standards tests have already been implemented for all students from Year10.
- 2. Effective classroom practice, professional standards, quality teaching (students owning their own learning, SEAT (students engaged as teachers))
- 3. High expectations culture, wellbeing (sustainability, Jali groups, Indigenous empowerment team) and Aboriginal Education.

Janine will ask for feedback at the next P&C meeting.

8. Other business and close

Next meeting 16th March 2021 at 7-8.30pm. This will be the AGM, followed by a normal meeting. The AGM will include the election of office bearers and the executive. All parents and caregivers are welcome to attend.



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Treasurers report 16 February 2021

Administration account – Reconciliation Report		
Bank account as at 17 November (last report)	8,889.41	
ADD deposits	10,801.76	
LESS payments	(3,264.00)	
Total funds in bank at 16 February 2021	16,427.17	
LESS unpresented cheques	(0.00)	
PLUS outstanding deposits	0.00	
LESS outstanding payments	(0.00)	
Total funds as at 16 February 2021	16,427.17	

Notes to explain the transactions for the period.

Deposits

0	Raffle tickets (credit cards)	\$10,456.42
0	Raffle tickets (farmers market)	\$345.00
0	Interest	\$0.34

Payments

0	SRC share of raffle proceeds	\$3,225.00
0	Raffle Link set up	\$39.00

- Outstanding Deposits
 - o NA
- Outstanding Payments
 - o NA

Regards

Richard Whan

Treasurer