

# OLHC P & F Association

## General Meeting – February 24<sup>th</sup> 2009

Present –Kevin Turner, Louise McDonald, Robert Manning, Richard Zalm, Julian Stephens, Angela Doherty, Susan Pike (Dixon), Andrew Quoye, Cassandra Kirk, Marissa Sheehan, Megan Maguire, Jane Morrison.

### President's Report – Robert Manning

- Welcome BBQ went well, nice weather, good turn out esp. new families, well supported, pleasure to put on.
- Bendigo Bank, successful at receiving grant to resurface playground with soft fall & benches.
- New constitution from CSO gives us firmer guidelines with financials etc
- Markets – McGrath sponsorship has ceased, meeting with Mayor gave support & approval to change model of stalls, but no support, assistance or financial help with running, advertising or coordinator. Jo Manning coordinating markets. Aim to stop hiring stalls and hire a person to be Markets Coordinator. Approached Castle Hill to run, but clash over time. Govt grant for \$5000 was declined.
- Gelato machine makes revenue, use it when ever possible.
- Fathers in the Classroom week6
- Website more popular, minutes go on website.
- Numbers at the school are down, number of families are down, smaller pool for workload, even more need to raise funds externally, all parents are interested in where the money is spent, where money is going.
- Hard year ahead, lost 2 markets already (Jan off & Feb rained out), no sponsor so far, expecting less revenue.

### Vice President's Report – Richard Zalm

- Markets are a great idea, good money to be made, speaking with Betty O from Better Homes Reality regarding sponsorship. Showed keen interest, wants to know what's involved, get back to her with information.

### Treasurer's Report – Julian Stephens

- Statements to 31<sup>st</sup> January 2009.

- Movement of \$10,000 to school
- Last AGM the P&F decided where to spend money (priorities), current financial situation caused prices of computers to rise \$200 each, P&F Exec decided to change order of priorities from PA System to computers to save \$2400. Decision had to be made over night to get saving.
- Andrew Quoyle question – Under what Authority to we have to change priorities, direction of funds, which was previously decided by P&F?? P&F Exec has a spending limit of \$1500, choose to spend \$10,000.
- Kevin Turner noted new constitution and exceptional circumstances to allow the change in priorities.
- J. Stephens preparing accounts for audit, tidying up signatures on accounts.

### Principal's Report – Kevin Turner

- Reflection on start of school year, very good start. Kindergarten with 19 students, teachers good.
- Good opening school Mass
- Swimming carnival good, Cluster carnival coming up, Age swimming Champions.
- School population at 134, 89 Families. Lost 10 families. Year 4 boys moved. 3 new families other than kindies. Loss of \$20,000 from budget with smaller numbers, need to increase numbers via word of mouth.
- 2009 Annual Goals from Strategic Plan.
- 2009 Priorities as outlined by Julian, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jane. Vote carried
- School promotions, letterbox drop
- Athletics – computer program, reinforce skills, voluntary, check interest from students, families.
- Bush fire appeal, mufti day & cake stall
- Class Mums – Joanne Zalm Class Mums coordinator, meeting tomorrow night
- Class Dads is being restricted, back to “Dads in the Classroom”, back to literacy.

### Market's Report on behalf of Jo Manning

- Approval to buy gazebos, weights, skirts, tables, stop paying \$2500 a month to Walkers. May reduce prices.
- Look at hiring Coordinator, source new stallholders, issue of control, we may have issues with losing control
- Committed to making it a more professional role
- Sponsorship- Richard

### Canteen Report - Marissa Sheehan

- Good 2008, made \$4500 which was donated to school.
- Slight price increase, 1<sup>st</sup> in 3 years
- Autumn special, fried rice, Winter special, lasagne & garlic bread.
- Hot Cross buns –choc chip
- News mums volunteering
- Pie Oven still problems, on & off.

### Uniform Shop – Jane Morrison

- Stock take done
- Good hours of operation, also able to go through blue bag & Jane does every week.

### General Business

- Family Fun Day – Rob Neill – Bush Fire Appeal, North Epping Community Fundraiser, Sunday March 29<sup>th</sup>
- Can we use gelato machine?? School OKed to use machine for their use to make profit.

Meeting Close 9.10pm