

# MDHS P&C

MUKINBUDIN DISTRICT HIGH SCHOOL P&C

## MINUTES OF THE GENERAL MEETING

27TH MAY 2024, SCHOOL LIBRARY



**Meeting Opened** At 7.05 pm

**1.0 Welcome:** Romina welcomed everyone to the meeting and outlined the P&C objectives.

**2.0 Attendance:** Romina Nicoletti, Karl Moll, Sally Sprigg, Linda Vernon, Val Tilbrook  
Online: Derick Cronje, Ken Olsson, Peggy Olsson, Jessica Collins

**Apologies:** Chanelle Squire

**3.0 Declarations of Interest:** Nil

**4.0 Previous Meeting Minutes**

**Resolution**

That the Minutes of the P&C meeting held on [22 April 2024](#) be confirmed as a true and correct record of proceedings.

**Moved:** Karl Moll      **Seconded:** Sally Sprigg    **Carried**

**5.0 Business Arising**

- **ACTION:** It was asked that Callum get a quote from Westarp Cunderdin and bring it back to the next meeting. Moved to General Business.

**6.0 Correspondence**

INWARDS CORRESPONDENCE		OUTWARD CORRESPONDENCE	
On-going	General WACSSO Correspondence	14 May	Romina Nicolletti - response to pie warmer use request.
28 April	Caroline Robinson - copy of Presentation.		
1 May	Mel Walker - use of canteen Pie Warmer request.		
7 May	Karl Moll - Communications of Schools 10-year plan process.		
14 May	Lara Ballantyne - request for a hat order.		

### **Resolution**

That the inward correspondence is accepted, and the outward correspondence is endorsed.

**Moved:** Linda Vernon    **Seconded:** Sally Sprigg    **Carried**

## **7.0 Treasurer's Report**

Derick provided a summary of the bank account balances and will provide full reports to be circulated with the minutes which can [be viewed here](#).

P&C Account - \$3,984.04

Savings Account - \$14,753.84

Student Support Fund - \$2,096.94

Term Deposit - \$30,258.20

Canteen - \$8,718.45

- Derick will send the last online canteen report to Mrs Tilly on Friday.
- Romina advised that she had sold the donated grain for \$410/t and this money is still to come into the P&C account.
- Karl advised that a tech company from Perth will be donating to the P&C as a result of the school purchasing items from them. (est. to be approx \$3K).

### **Resolution**

The Treasurers Report be received.

**Moved:** Derrick Cronje                      **Seconded:** Val Tilbrook                      **Carried**

## **8.0 Canteen Report**

Val Tilbrook verbally presented the following report:

First term 186 lunches were prepared, 24 being on the last day of term for the special Harmony Day menu. The Harmony Scones were a big hit. That number does not include the lunches for the DISA Swimming Carnival.

The numbers have continued to be good for the Second Term, even last Friday with most of the kids in Bencubbin there were 14 lunches. Also this year there has been an increase in the number of High School students having lunch.

This coming Friday to celebrate Heart Week there is a special meal deal menu available. Also on the last day of the Term, there will be a "Red Nose" menu. A special note for all those pizza lovers, I have been able to access cardboard covers to put the pizzas in.

### **Resolution**

The Canteen Report be accepted.

**Moved:** Val Tilbrook                      **Seconded:** Karl Moll                      **Carried**

## **9.0 Footy Tipping Report**

Peggy advised that all was running nicely and that we were at the halfway point of the season. The only challenge has been getting updates for the Muka Matters but will put one update in halfway through and one update at the end of the season.

## 10.0 Principals Report

Karl verbally provided the following report:

Good evening, thanks to all that could make it either in person or online. Personally I just wanted to thank and recognise the P&C for all their efforts across the year towards supporting the school with a variety of fund raising activities that support many different activities at the school.

It has been a crazy few weeks. We have once again participated in a variety of different activities, not only at school, but also with travelling to other towns. I would like to thank the P&C for once again providing the funds so that the students can travel and make these events. Without your support parents would always be putting their hands into their pockets to pay bus excursion fees. With this in mind I have looked into an opportunity to join our year 5/6 class with the other smaller schools in our NINGHAN cell. A camp is being organised by Trayning PS and we have been invited to attend. The camp looks like it is going to be held at Rottnest. The one bonus that has definitely attracted me, was that a grant has been sourced that will pay for either all/most of the Kingston Barracks accommodation on Rottnest, massively dropping the overall costing of the camp. I am hoping to present a motion at next P&C meeting to once again ask for funds per student. In terms of a secondary camp this is still being discussed and parents should hopefully be given more of an idea by the end of this term, whether we stick to a biannual camp (next year), organise a camp through cadets, or once again look at a trip to Perth and the surrounds?

Through the rest of this term I am looking forward to working with Caroline from 150 Squares and staff to be able to present at Board and P&C. I am also looking towards working with the P&C and asking for support for a couple of projects to prepare our school for 2025, the 100 year celebration and beyond. I will look towards presenting a couple of ideas/motions/plans at the next P&C meeting.

Hopefully this weekend is the beginning of the rains needed by everyone on their farms. Fingers crossed. Thank you.

- Discussion was held around the Yr 5 / 6 and High School Camps for 2024, some key points included:
  - There was general positive support for the Y 5/6 Camp to Rottnest with the Ninghan Cell Schools, particularly if it was heavily subsidised by a grant.
  - Those present spoke of the positives of and need for retaining an annual High School Camp.
  - Romina suggested re-visiting attending/participating in Countryweek, also felt at present the majority of the High School was sporty or participating well in sports, so this could be a good option with this current cohort to attend in 2024.
  - Linda suggested the merit in making a booking at a camp school and utilising their program of activities (adventure/team building) as it may make the organising and logistics of camp easier for staff if all were required to arrive on a Monday afternoon and leave on a Friday morning versus the recent Perth School camp activities which require a large number of logistics from MDHS school staff.
  - Suggestion to ask the students what they may wish to do.
  - If staffing was an issue for the High School Camp proceeding in 2024, if early communication was forthcoming parent volunteers may be willing to attend to provide supervision and support. Jessica Collins offered to possibly be available to drive a bus if needed. Camp would need to be in Term 3, to avoid harvest clash for most volunteers.

### **Resolution**

The Principal's Report be received.

**Moved:** Karl Moll

**Seconded:** Sally Sprigg

**Carried**

## 11.0 General Business

### a **P&C Financial Support Requests for 2024**

Playground Shade Sail - Callum had received a quote for a shade sail and posts to go over the High School playground at approx. \$14,500.00 including installation. Discussion was held about what the quote included (poles, shade sail, and installation). It was felt it was generally too high a cost. As Callum was not here, this was post poned to the next meeting.

School Fence Upgrade - Mick Sippe Carpentry has provided a quote to supply and install a 60m long by 2.4m high chainmesh fence along the school's eastern boundary (alongside the lawn to help minimise accidental balls going onto the road), which includes removal of the existing fence for \$10,637.00. Discussion held.

### **Resolution**

That the P&C accepts the quote from Mick Sippe Carpentry for \$10,637.00 to remove and install a new chain mesh fence along side the eastern boundary.

**Moved:** Karl Moll      **Seconded:** Derick Cronje      **Carried**

### b **2024 School Camps**

- Karl was asked if additional funding was required from the P&C could this please be brought to the next meeting as a financial request? Karl said that he had this on his list along with some other financial requests of the P&C.
- Linda reminded that all would be required to be circulated as Notices of Motions to members so would require these to be received no later than 8 days prior to the next meeting.

## 10.0 Other Business

- *150 Square Future School Plan Survey*  
Sally asked Karl as to what was happening with the Survey from 150 Square for the school's Future Planning process. Karl advised that it would be sent out very soon and he was getting there on this next step.
- *Sharing Classroom and Literacy Resources*  
Sally asked Karl about and raised concerns about the Yr 3 / 4 and Yr 5 / 6 classes joining classrooms for a Literacy Block and the sharing of resources as the school currently did not have enough Spellex resources for each class to have their own. Concerns raised around, lack of communication about the joint class to parents and that would like to see each teacher have their own resources if possible. Karl responded that he was not fully aware of this and Romina asked Karl to look into it further.
- *New WACSSO Councillor*  
Romina advised and extended congratulations to Kim Alison on the appointment of WACSSO State Councillor for Wheatbelt North.
- *MDHS School Board Chair*  
Romina welcomed Maree LeMonigan to the role of School Board Chair and advised she had extended the invitation for Maree to attend P&C meetings and provide a school board report. This will start from the next P&C meeting.
- *Farewell to P&C Members*  
Romina acknowledged and extended thanks to Andrew and Suzi Sprigg for their 16 years of service to the MDHS P&C as Isabella would be leaving MDHS for another school at the end of Term 2.

- *Muka Matters*

Val asked Karl why there aren't any more regular school updates in the Muka Matters. She has received feedback from Margaret Strugnell (ex-teacher) and that people like herself who were not on Facebook that there were no regular updates from the School to be found and they were interested in hearing what was going on. Linda concurred that school communications were ad-hoc and currently the school board was reviewing the school's communication plan. Sally commented that from a parent's viewpoint communication could be improved and even a weekly summary could be looked into being provided.

**11.0 Next Meeting: Monday 22 July 2024, 7.00 pm**, School Library in person with online option available.

**12.0 Meeting Closed: 7.37 pm**