

James Erskine Public School P & C Association



53 Peppertree Drive, Erskine Park NSW 2759

P & C MEETING General Meeting – 26/4/2023

- 1. Meeting Opened: 6.34pm
- **2. Present:** Pelin Himo, Rebecca Reid, Melissa Kelly, Bronwyn Clarke, Teagan Wade, Martin Matini Popole, Ashleigh Chalker, Julieanna Lokeni, Rose Kingi, Louise Huggett, Kim Dunscombe.
- 3. Apologies: Mandy Scuglia, Sarah Elali, Anne Campbell
- 4. Welcome Acknowledgement of country
- 5. Minutes of previous meeting

Previous minutes accepted – Bronwyn Clarke Seconded by – Teagan Wade

- 6. Matters Arising from previous minutes N/A
- 7. Open position on the P&C committee President, Uniform officer, Fundraising officer
- 8. Principal's Report -

Principal Leave

I am on leave next week from Tuesday 2nd May until Friday 19th May. I will be overseas for a short stint and then anxiously awaiting arrival of a grandbaby. Mrs Dunscombe and Mrs D'Angelis are both relieving in my absence over the duration of those 3 weeks.

Staffing:

SLSO, Del Wigmore has been signed to Canberra and will be leaving us this week. Very sad news as the kids love him, however it's a great opportunity and he will be playing and training alongside Mr Puru. We wish him all the best.

We do have a new SLSO – Yasmine Baker who plays in the Tarsha Gale Cup for Penrith and who is also studying psychology. She is a wonderful addition to our school.

We have employed a Technology Officer for 2 days a week – Shayann Ali who has been instrumental in assisting us with all our tech needs and easing Mr Rolls load.

We will also be employing a Community Liaison, Martin Popole-Matini, to work 2 days a week to support families with connecting to external providers, supporting students in mentoring type role, and assisting the school with strengthening family and community connections.

We have Rachael Cooper joining us on staff 3 days a weeks as a teacher supporting students in EALD space.

AP position to be advertised later this term and require a parent representative.

Breakfast Club

We will be starting a breakfast Club for students providing toast with marmite, honey, or jam in the mornings out of the P.L room. We have seen an increase in the number of students coming to school without breakfast and feel the need to provide our kids with something in their bellies to get them ready for their day of learning. We purchased the equipment last term and are attempting to reach out to foodbank to support with the bread and spreads. It will run from 8.15am to 8:40am every day.

COMPASS

Last term we sent communication for parents and families to access our new communication platform – Compass. There are still families who haven't accessed this and this week will be contacting those directly to ensure they are aware of the need to access as this is our main form of communication. Feel-good stories and events will still be shared on Facebook.

School Holiday works

You may have seen on Facebook the works that were carried out in the holiday break.

- The front gate is complete.
- Demountable's removed.
- Village 95% complete.
- ANZAC memorial garden is 75% complete.
- Dead tree's removed.

9. Deputy Principal's Report - N/A

10. Correspondence In

- Amanda resignation letter
- Australian fundraising booklet
- Commonwealth bank statement general account
- Commonwealth bank statement Uniform shop account

11. Treasurers Report –

Opening Balance: \$41 724.26

Closing Balance: \$40 482.87

12. Uniform Shop Report – Opening Balance: \$21 298.95 Closing Balance: \$28 207.67

13. Fundraising Report-

This term we will be holding our annual Mother's Day stall on Thursday 11th of May. Gifts will range from \$2-\$12 a note will go home next week so please look out for that in your child's bag. We have two days in which will need your help and that is Wednesday the 10th of May from 2pm – this is to set up the stock in the hall for out Mother's Day stall and Thursday the 11th of May straight after the bell in the morning to sell. Normally we have finished by recess. If this is something you will be interested to help with please let us know.

We will also be holding a Tee-Lish Brownie fundraiser towards the end of this term hence why we have these mouth watering treats for you tonight. So please tell your friends how good there are and entice them to buy when it's time. We will not only be supporting a local business which is great but will also be supporting one of our very own JEPS families.

14. General Business –

Our sports shirts samples come in over the holidays so we just wanted to show you what they look like. Minimum amount of 600 sports shirts have been ordered at a cost of \$23 100 however a preorder note will be sent home as well as an online pre-order form so we can gather more information regarding sizing in case we need to order more of a specific size/colour so it will be great if you could spread the word and we could get that filled out asap. We also will have the shirts on display from tomorrow at the uniform shop for anyone that wishes to try them to for sizing. These should arrive in 8 weeks time hopefully just in time for out first athletics carnival.

Bronwyn talked on Mandy's behalf about another every school top.

Regarding the new every day shirt that was thrown into the mix. We just wanted to thank you all for agreeing to put a hold on the survey and allowing us to explain the reasoning behind this shirt. So our current supplier of our school uniform is LWRIED and this is a sample of what they have to offer for only \$23.50, however some of the larger sizes are a little more expensive (not a lot) but our thought process was we could either charge accordingly to size or charge an overall figure of \$25.00 which would cover the cost of the larger sizes and delivery fees. Either way it's the cheapest option for our families and makes it more affordable for those parents that have more than one child at our school, there is also no set up fee, turn around time for ordering is 7-10 days not 6-8 weeks like the other suppliers, transitioning would be so much smoother as we would order the new shirts as we get low on stock of the old shirts which means No lump sum coming out of our account because we would just pay as we order. Let's be realistic we won't actually have the funds after paying out for the sport shirts and this will take some time to accumulate the amount of funds needed for the new shirts so unless this was the community's choice in the survey the new shirt wouldn't come into effect for a long while yet and to be honest it is a little worrying for smaller companies like across the road here at Quality work wear because 'A' can they supply us with the quantity of shirts we would be asking for and if the unfortunate happens and they have to close or fold at anytime we will have to go through all this again whereas sticking with a massive company

like LWREID there would be less likely any worry in the future. Anyway I hope I have sold you but it's just something to think about and we are more than happy to take away one of our other designs to replace with this one.

New School Shirt– it was discussed about the options that were selected last meeting and we narrowed down the choices to 3 shirts to go into the survey for the community to look at and vote. Once the community had voted and a shirt was selected, Rose offered if the P&C could not cover the cost of the first order of the school shirt, that the school can pay for them and the P&C can pay them back.

