

Attendees:

Michelle Graham, Jodie Newman,
Liz Folkard, Mary Nelson, Renee
Gilbert, Anna Butler.

Apologies:

Michelle Haynes-Armstrong, Ruth
Winfield

Minutes: General Meeting of the Vincentia
High Community
Hosted by the Vincentia High School P&C

Acknowledgement to Country –

Approval of Minutes

Motion to approve minutes from last meeting.

Motion moved - Mary Nelson

Seconded – Jodie Newman

From Minutes from last meeting

- Staff acknowledgement of retirement – Michelle suggested a standard gift to give to any teacher retiring from VHS. The school acknowledges the teachers retirement but a small token from the P&C for any teacher retiring, whether they have been at the school 5 years or 10 years, could be approved as a standard gift. Michelle suggested a card and a gift voucher. A card and a \$50 gift voucher was agreed upon from either Boobooks in Huskisson or Sanctuary Point Garden Centre as they are both businesses who support the school. Moved by Jodie Newman; Seconded by Mary Nelson.
- As a reminder the Code of Conduct, By-Laws and the Grievance Process for VHS P&C were made available to all in attendance at the meeting for future reference.
- Liz advised the meeting that she has been speaking to a Senior Union member who confirmed that the union and politics are not the same thing. She would like the P&C to invite Jaz Corr or Monique Jackson who are Union Representatives to the next meeting to explain about the union campaign “More than Thanks”. Michelle will ensure they are advised of the next meeting and ask if they would like to speak on this topic.
- Support Bus Update – Ruth is still awaiting the engineering advice for the anchor points on the bus. Meanwhile a quote for

a new bus has been sort so the school will have a support bus either way they go.

- Mary Nelson's P&C farewell went off without a hitch which Mary being presented with her Life Membership pin, thanks from Mary for all that attended.
- Liz was presented with her Life Membership pin for her service to the P&C over the year. Thanks to Liz
- Canteen Vouchers to staff were much appreciated and all teachers thanked the P&C for the acknowledgement.
- Canteen Appreciation Day – thank you from Anna and the other ladies in the canteen to the P&C.
- Year 12 Survival Packs – were loved by all Year 12
- St Andrews Liability Insurance – Paid
- Toni Smith email regarding School Open Night - We had excellent feedback from our school open night! Parents reported that it was the best one yet in terms of organisation, relevant and informative presentations in all areas with helpful staff engaging for the kids with the treasure hunt and outstanding student leaders. I didn't receive any negative feedback.

Principal's Report by Renee Gilbert

- Ruth away – Renee filling in.
- As Attached

Treasurer's Report

- As Attached
- Jodie requested approval to open a separate Bendigo Account to hold the Wellbeing Hub Auspice grant money for Jo Warren – approved Mary Nelson; seconded Michelle Graham.

Canteen Report

- \$20,000 to be handed over the P&C.
- Spriggy is still going well but Anna thinks it needs some more promotion
- Eftpos in the canteen is going very well.

Community Liaison Officer Report –

- This position has not been filled. Renee Gilbert, Jessica Holloway-Fry are running facebook page and Glad in the office is producing the newsletter. Position has been advertised internally.

General Business

- **Gumbari Workshed** –The workshed is to give students of Gumbari an opportunity to learn and use different life skills in an appropriate and safe environment. P&C has decided to support this project approving \$23,406. Moved by Liz Folkard; Seconded by Jodie Newman.
- **Year 12**
Care Packs & Mugs \$1,000;
Year 12 Formal Ticket subsidized \$900;
Year 12 Year Books up to \$3,000 –
All approved – Moved Liz Folkard; Seconded Jodie Newman.
- **Nest Gifts - \$1,000** –
Moved Liz Folkard; Seconded Mary Nelson
- Canteen Mural \$4,000 – approved but waiting on design of mural from Jaz Corr.
- Presentation Day - \$5,300?? This is approved each year but is for Term 4.
- Student Environmental Council – submitted by Michael Matuschka
I write to seek support from the P&C for the establishment of a Student Environment Council (SEC) at VHS. On my secondment to VHS this year I have been working with a small group of junior students on sustainability projects. To date, those students have been collaborating with Shoalhaven City Council on its 'plastic free July' initiative and looking into a better recycling program at VHS. Ideally, I would like to work with the existing students and increase the numbers to ensure a SEC becomes a permanent fixture at VHS. At my substantive school, Batemans Bay High School, I established a SEC, and it is linked with Eurobodalla Shire Council's environmental programs, attends environmental student camps, collects 'return and earn' waste into the state government program, undertakes clean-up programs in the community and

landscapes projects at school.

I am seeking \$3000 - \$5000 seed money from the P&C to get the SEC established. I found at Batemans Bay, the best way to get students interested in the SEC was to begin with landscaping projects at school, then move onto other initiatives. I am hoping the P&C may be able to support this initiative. Regards, Michael Matuschka, Head Teacher HSIE. P&C discussed this and approved up to \$4000 to be contributed to this project. Moved by Liz Folkard; Seconded Jodie Newman.

- A past student of the school Ashton sadly passed away. Liz suggested sending a card to the family. Michelle will organize.

Staff Recognition

- Cindy Gatehau, Jo Gatehau, Nina Horne – Thank you for organizing the Performance Night.
- Kat Rees – School Counsellor – Thank you for supporting the wellbeing of student and staff.

Meeting closed 7.20pm

NEXT MEETING
TERM 3 – WEEK 4 - MONDAY 31st OCTOBER 2022