Caloundra City Private School
Minutes for Parents & Friends Association Meeting
Wednesday 27 March, 2013
Dame Elisabeth Murdoch Library

Attendance: Dr Dirk Wellham, Natarsha Turner, Kerrie Noyes, Gillian Carr, Karen Petfield, Sharon Peters, Kelee Whitney, Linda Shore

Apologies: Tanya Lawler, Margaret Adams, Nicole Parrott, Tracy Anderson, Joanne Mobbs

Meeting opened at 9am with welcome from President Natarsha Turner

Minutes from the last Meeting
The minutes from the last meeting, held Wednesday 20 February, 2013 were tabled.

Business arising from the previous Minutes

- **Sand Pit** in general playground area. After speaking with Gabrielle Frisby, the school is looking to open up the existing Prep sand pit during lunch times when not in use by the Preps. Small groups will be invited to play in the Prep area, and the groups will be swapped around to give all age groups the opportunity for sand play. Gabrielle Frisby has advised on Thursday 28/3, that the sand pit in City Stars is unable to be used as it has poor visibility from the main school playground. The storage shed blocks much of the view, and therefore the Teacher’s on lunchtime playground duty would not have a good line of sight between the two areas. **The Prep playground will be the only sand pit that will be available for lunch time play.**

- **Supporter’s Shirts.** As the School does not have any Soccer Teams competing this year, shirts purchased by the Soccer Club, and used by the Team Coaches & Managers have been removed from the kit bags and will be used by Parents assisting Mrs Murphy at sporting events and carnivals. We would still like to see these offered at a more reasonable price to make it attractive for Parents to purchase their own to wear.

- **Easter Holiday Hamper Raffle.** Prize valued at over $300 is due to be drawn this week at Easter Assembly. Proceeds raised will go towards the School’s
Permaculture Garden & Chicken Project. Mr Maguire has prepared a wishlist for 2013 and part of this is on display on the P & F notice board, outside of Junior School Reception. In response to these postings, we have received donations of coffee grounds from Parrott family (Skidaddle Indoor Playcentre) and brick pallets from the Tenkate family (Tenkate Landscaping Supplies). Other families have indicated that they would also like to donate other items to the Project.

- **Mother’s Day Stall.** Stock has been ordered for the Term 2 stall which will be held on Thursday 9 May. Gifts will be priced from $2 - $10.
- **Fete.** More discussion to follow in General Business.
- **Entertainment Book Fundraiser.** An email was sent from School Admin on Wednesday 13/3, with link to order. Mentioned again in School Newsletter P & F news on Thursday 21/3. Karen Petfield has offered to co-ordinate this fundraiser & has advised that 4 orders have been received so far. Hard copy order forms are going out to students this week & a poster will go on the P & F notice board as a reminder.
- **Café Tables and Chairs for Tuckshop Deck.** P & F will continue to liase with Margaret Adams. We may look at styles that can be bolted to the deck to try and combat any vandalism. Tarsh Turner has visited Daydream Leisure Furniture store to obtain prices & a brochure & has offered to look on-line to find wholesale prices for similar pieces.
- **Sub Committees.** Limited response was received from our request for help. We will continue to ask via Newsletter when we are seeking help for individual projects.

No further business from previous minutes.

Sharon Peters proposed to accept the Minutes from the last meeting. Seconded by Linda Shore.

**Principal’s Report by Dr Dirk Wellham**

- The recent Disco was a lovely night and a good community event. It was an opportunity to meet and mingle with Parents and Students. We need to look at having the area better lit for future events as towards the end of the evening it was quite dark. Perhaps portable lighting can be hired for future outdoor night time events.
- Wireless connections through the school are to be upgraded. The current system is 5 years old so our capacity is being upgraded. A Consultant Group has been in and offered a quote which is being considered.
- Music Teacher Mr Paul Cusick has prepared a Music Development Strategy document, which Principal and Board are considering. This shows Mr Cusick’s plan to grow the music program in the school.
• Enrolment Budget has been exceeded. We are gaining 10 new students in Term 2, with another 9 commencing at the beginning of Semester 2. This will give a total of 293 students, plus the City Stars Kindy Students.
• The Principal and School Board continue to work on Enrolments and the School’s media profile.
• We are in discussion with the Australian Defence Force to have a Helicopter land on the school oval. The visit will be only for around one hour, but will be an exciting event for the school community.
• Principal is meeting with Cricket Representatives from Caloundra and Sunshine Coast for enrolment opportunities for budding young cricketers that may benefit from Dr Wellham’s experience from his time as a professional cricketer. We have several elite athletes at the school at present who benefit from a flexible school timetable that allows them to train and complete their school work. Our smaller school size easily allows for this.
• The Aspiring Women in Science Conference is being held from Friday 24/5 to Sunday 26/5 at St Aiden’s Anglican Girls School for interested students.
• A new car sticker is being designed and printed. Placing this on the family car is a great way to promote our school.
• Home Stay options are being explored from CCPS families to host a student from China, Japan and Korea.

Treasurer’s Report from Joanne Mobbs.
Balances as at 25/3/13:
Cheque Account $5,791.73
Online Saver Account $20,658.41

Term One Disco
Income
• Pre-sales $1,026.30
• Door Sales $268.00
• Drinks & Food Sales $431.00
• Total Income $1,725.30

Expenses
• D J Andrew $355.00
• Meat $97.22
• Drinks & other items $143.26
• Total Expenses $595.48

Total Profit $1,129.82

Easter Raffle
As of 25/3/13, we have received $990.00 in sales from the Easter Raffle.

Bad Debts
We currently have 2 bad debts on our system. Both are from the Festive Fair.
26/11/2011 David Anderson - $100.00 (Potato Sticks Stall Fee)
26/11/2011 Kris Hanckel - $45.46 (Stall fee)
I believe numerous requests have been made to these people & we have received no payment. To clear up our book keeping, I would like to propose that these debts be written off as Bad Debts.

In the absence of Joanne Mobbs at this meeting, Kerrie Noyes proposed that the debts be written off. Seconded by Natarsha Turner.

General Business

- **Woolies Earn & Learn Promotion.** This begins on Monday 8/4/2013 (during school holidays) and ends Sunday 9/6/2013. Once again there are points to collect from the checkout & to place on a Points sheet and return to school. We will liaise with the Teachers to again start a wish list that points can be redeemed for. $8,000 worth of resources were received last year. Woolies Pelican Waters were very generous with their stickers last year, giving out many more than they had to. If we can patronise them again during this promotion, they may again be more than generous.

- **Suessical Jnr.** Ms Tracy Burton (Director) has requested that we look at holding some fundraising events during Term 2 to assist with financing this year’s Production. She has suggested lunch time sausage sizzles & pizza days. Are there any other fundraising suggestions for this project? No other suggestions forthcoming. To be mentioned again at next meeting.

- **Lego Robotics.** Will P & F look at funding the purchase of a Lego Robotics Kit. Year 3 parent, Mrs Angela Brodie, has volunteered to supervise a small group of students in a new lunchtime co-curricular activity if we fund the purchase. Mrs Brodie is willing to undertake a Lego Robotics course & cover the cost of this herself ($100). She holds a Bluecard in her employment at Caloundra Community Kindy. She has the support of Mrs Gabrielle Frisby with this activity. Since the loss of two teaching staff at the end of 2012, we have lost co-curricular activities that these staff would have co-ordinated & supervised. Mrs Brodie is looking into the cost of the kits & is visiting the Lego store at South Bank during the holidays. Term 3 would be the expected start date for this and Mrs Brodie will continue to liaise with Mrs Frisby.

- **Fete.** Our last Festive Fair was November, 2011 & we are considering a School Fete as our major fundraiser for the year. After discussion, it was decided that we look at other options that aren’t reliant on the weather. We are also a small committee & a fete involves a lot of planning & work. Our 2012 Trivia Night was successful & the opinion is that we plan similar events that can be organized by our present committees.
For Information – Performing Arts Sub Committee Report
By Sharon Peters

I have tried a couple of things this month—

Queensland Ballet offers free workshops during the Giselle tour in June for the Sunshine Coast. In consultation with Gabrielle Frisby, I communicated with QB Co-ordinator to organise a visit to CCPS for the junior and senior school. They offer a Ghost workshop for children, Year 5-12, to introduce concepts of dance. Unfortunately, the Senior school is in assessment mode during their time on the Sunshine Coast and the Junior school only one class could be offered. So, instead of disappointing many, Gabrielle declined to have them on campus.

Re School Musical, the message that I am there to co-ordinate went out with the school notice, and using own contacts to organise a core group. Also, Year 11 and 12’s have indicated they are also interested to help. Will liaise with Tracy next term, due to her availability. Have 2 names via PandF website, also 3 internal contacts and 3 students to date.

Re—drama within school, there are a number of companies that will visit the school for low $$s, so will discuss with Tracy when I meet with her.

No further business to discuss.

Next meeting date 24/4/2013 at 9am.

Meeting declared closed at 10am by Natarsha Turner.

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Kerrie Noyes