



PIGEON MOUNTAIN PRIMARY SCHOOL

Minutes of the Meeting held on Wednesday 21 February 2018

Present

Chairperson: Leonie Wallace

Treasure: Sandy Collier

Principal: Ian Dickinson

Board of Trustees: Mark Eades

Teacher Reps: Jenni Slater, Sheryl Farmer

Parents: Rose McRae, John Winters, Earnest Wong, Anna Seccombe, Melissa Brown, Shorelle Adams, Nan Zheng, Mel Palmer, Gabriel

Apologies:

Declarations of Interest:

- Leonie declares she is employed at the school as a teacher aide
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Previous meeting minutes

Declare that the minutes of the last meeting are correct.

John/Mark/Leonie

Agenda

Correspondence in

Quite a lot in for the start of the term will be discussed in Leonie's report

Out:

Nothing to report

Treasures report

Summary for 2017 we raised \$19874.00 utilised mainly for white boards

January nothing in but balance is \$5000

There will be two weeks' worth of ice block sales from Feb

Biggest profits were made in the sale of ice blocks, bake sale, discos, and mufti days

PTA contributions Enhance facilities beyond what the Board has budgeted for

Welcome everyone to the New Year the PTA is about fundraising for the school but also for the students to have fun. Work for extra resources for the teachers and also building a community within the school.

Teachers:

Sheryl - Children are all settled and everything is running smoothly to date the teams are working well.

Jenni - agrees that it's been a good start to the year. Teachers will take the thought back to the teachers to see if there are any requests for this year.

Principal: Ian Dickinson

There has been discussion on getting heating/cooling solutions in the class rooms and this will be cost dependant.

- New timetable moving the first session making it longer, then lunch went back 15mins and afternoon slightly shorter. But to date seems to be working well with the learning factor.
- Great start to the year. Integrating a few new members of staff that have settled in well.
- Role is sitting at 537 (last year 518) but we wont get quite as high as last year
- No national standards, we are in limbo as to where to go with this. Ian's thoughts are to keep the information ticking over as the standards have been to date this just wont be "National Standard" based when you receive the reports. There will not be a lot of difference.
- PB4L - Positive behaviour for Learning PD program for teachers. Very much like the care program building positive behaviours through our teaching and community. Mistry funded project.
- Just confirmed a few teacher only days throughout the year. Friday 13 April, coaching day September 21 or 24
- Finishing day for school will be Wednesday 19 December.
- The law has been changed around restraint and we are fortunate to have MoE PD for our staff. (That is seen as restraining or holding the students against will.) There is training for the staff to do and this will be covered with one of the teacher only day.
- For school picnic we do have signs that relate to the teams and these will be laid out tomorrow for the picnic and the families can go to these areas if they would like to, teachers will be in these areas.

Welcome John Winters – Life Walk Chaplin

The reason for Chaplin is a great source for the school as children who have any issues or need someone to talk to can do so with John. It is important for the children to have someone to turn to who they can trust outside their classroom. Everything is confidential. If there is any form of abuse etc... this will be reported to Ian. John will report quarterly to the board on what the issues may be about. Diary and appointments book will go round the school for the children to book in. John starts Monday week. There will be a confidential way for transporting the diary around the school.

Thanks John

BoT: Mark Eades

Usually held last Thursday of every month and Mark has been re-elected on the board as Chairperson.

- ERO came in last year and we have had a glowing reference for the school. Our next review will be 4 -5 years which is a huge credit to Ian/staff and the school.
- The board looked at the policies and procedures to make things easier for the community. We have joined school docs for this, so all policies and procedures will be found here and are also in different languages.
- Financially we are in a good place. We will be keeping the portable classrooms on for the year
- We are not doing any major structural changes this year so we can have a fairly smooth year. There may be some cosmetic changes which will be less intrusive on the school and be done on weekends or holidays.
- Our big project this year is 'Raise the Roof' the board will put some money into this, we have hired someone who works with charities to help us get more funding and hoping that the PTA helps too. If these funds come through then the money can be disbursed to other projects such as the hall.
- School donations have not been abolished these are for the school that help with the educational aspect of the school. It is a donation you should not feel pressured to pay this.
- Goal for estimation date for 'Raise the Roof' completion Christmas 2018.

It's another exciting year and we do have a good staff connection for our PMPS Education with a Heart.

Chairperson: Leonie Wallace

Activities for term 1 & 2

Mufti days – St Patrick's Day 16 March for mufti day

- Ice blocks every Friday. Would be great if we could get more helpers for this Leonie/Sandy alternate the lead of this, at least 4 people from 2:45 – 3:15pm to help set up and sell. If you can help come along to the library by the chess board.

Disco in term 1 and term 3 –

- 23 March for school disco term 1 tentatively based on the DJ booking.
- Two discos one 6:15 – 7:30pm junior (year 1 – 3) 7:45 – 9:00pm senior (4 – 6)
- Need helpers for each of these discos selling food, glow stick/novelties and door sales.
- Moving the sale table to side by the door
- Add to notice asking for other helpers within the School

Other ideas for fundraising:

- Mini golf courses do corporate events could look into this they have a barbecue area for food.
- Possible Gala
- Ice skating evening could be done twice a year term 2/4? Or Skateland
- Parents doing pub quizzes or movie nights, bingo in term 3

Correspondence in: *Fundraising ideas*

- Selling Easter eggs?
- Selling Batteries \$5 per pack each child has a box of 15 to sell cost is \$75 per box, PTA gets roughly \$7000. Incentives for bulk sales. Leonie will look into this as all voted it's a good idea. Would be about 2 weeks worth of time to create sales etc...
- Precious labels fundraiser – label packs for clothing, books, bags etc... each pack PTA get 30% this would be a good idea for end of year for the following year.
- Stem Creokits – build your own.... PTA get 25% back kits \$30 - \$60 could be a good idea to promote in term 3 for Christmas gifts
- Fooze balls sale? Term 3?

Getting more members on board any thoughts on how we can promote this and keep the PTA running.

- Do we try and have class reps from each class? Get teachers to promote or find someone who might represent the class, or do it per team. As a class rep they get the title of class rep for PTA but also as a help to the teachers to help with trips or gifts or something, Teachers to take this thought to the staff
- We do get the help on the day but we do need the people in the background to keep this going
- Perhaps educate the community as to what is required behind the scenes
- Shifting the thought pattern to make the 'norm'

March AGM: 14/03/2018

Chairperson, Secretary and Treasure stand down and new people elected. Executive team also to be elected.

General business:

Meeting Dates for 2018:

14 March (including AGM)	7:30pm	PMPS Staff Room
11 April	7:30pm	PMPS Staff Room
9 May	7:30pm	PMPS Staff Room
13 June	7:30pm	PMPS Staff Room
25 July	7:30pm	PMPS Staff Room
22 August	7:30pm	PMPS Staff Room
19 September	7:30pm	PMPS Staff Room
24 October	7:30pm	PMPS Staff Room
21 November	7:30pm	PMPS Staff Room
TBC December	7:30pm	TBC

Meeting closed: 9:11pm

Next meeting: Plus AGM March 14 2018, 7:30pm PMPS staff room

