

## **P&C meeting minutes 24/8/15.**

Apologies - Kylie, Sharna

Attendees: Ben W, Sarah M, Shannon G, Steve B, Caren M-L, Louie M, Brendan M, Danielle P, Karen M

### Council report/discussion as presented by Cr Christina Curry:

- 2040 vision - key areas
  - housing for a diverse community
  - connected not congested - encouragement to write to the transport minister Michael Constance about public transport concerns, Botany council also lobbying re: the bus issues.
  - traffic - in & out of Botany, few different plans re: addressing the traffic issues
  - staying active - different activities in the local parks (bikes, basketball.....)
  - great local streets - different trees in the streets
  - high value jobs - 65000 people work in our LGA
  - everyone belongs - events for community

In suburb of Botany

- upgrade of Botany shops and Banksmeadow shopping area
- draft concept plan of Botany aquatic centre - all year around facility, gym, creche - without impact on grassy area - this will be released soon for community comment
- Borralee 2 storey facility for Botany rams, and community space aim to be ready by next season
- skate park masterplan released soon for community consultation - at Mutch Park
- development - anything over \$20million goes straight to state government, not local govt. Council in land and environment court fighting a few developments, the large developments that have gone ahead have been approved by state govt.
- trialled residential parking scheme - around Bay St area, where people leave their cars while they go to the airport - still in trial phase, community feedback will be sought
- zoning - Banksmeadow PS has been rezoned as education rather than housing (which is what originally zoned as) this means will be protected from development

Other discussion around:

- Rail link - this is only for freight train, can't be used as a passenger train, looking at a bike path along the freight line.
- Council amalgamations - Botany put in to stand alone, however this will be decided in October - lots of different options being talked about
- Banksmeadow shops - proposing Woolworths, this is at the land and environment court - most likely will be approved by the state govt. The other shops opposite will most likely be rebuilt with apartments above them.
- Botany shops - near IGA will be more shops with units above them
- Clubs no longer sustainable due to people not using them like they used to - hard to find space to use as a community group discussion around this
- ice rink coming to Mascot early next year
- ongoing issues with illegal parking up at the Brighton St school entrance - will request that rangers have a more regular presence
- positive feedback from the P&C group to the council on the park upgrades
- Australia Day - the Botany Bay gift is back!!
- BBQ coming to Borralee Park

### Fathers Day

- Fathers Day stall - 3rd September note will be sent out ASAP to request donations
- volunteer wrappers needed for the Wednesday, Sarah will contact Maria
- Fathers Day BBQ brekkie 4th - Sarah, Danielle, Karen, Caren to do the BBQ - 7.00am meet at school
  - gold coin donation for the sausage sizzle

- 350 sausages (Karen will ask Rams if they have freezer space if needed) - Steve will order sausages and the rolls

### Mitre 10 BBQ -

- lots of volunteers, many thanks, Sarah will negotiate with the volunteers

### Fete update:

- Raffle is going well 11 books have been returned!!
- Class stalls - need to be announced to the school - discussion on the different stalls - this information will go out in the next newsletter
- Dunk tank - will be an individual ticket not included in the ride wristbands
- will need some year 6 volunteers to - man the gates, collect donations, hand out information, etc - Brendan will negotiate with the year 6 kids
- Tables - Karen has discussed with Walkers hire for a bargain hire price (many thanks), will need to store the tables in the school basement for safety - Ben has OKed this
- Gelato will also be dropped off early and kept in the basement
- Face painters organised, photo booth organised
- Able to use the school safe for money storage

### Student banking

- Started off very well 65 accounts opened and 55 deposits on the first week! Many thanks to the lovely team of volunteers.

### Principals Report

- Thanks to those who assisted with school banking - great start
- Thanks to Sarah for assisting with the school open night
- Thanks to all the parents who assisted with the year 6 bakeoff - \$500 raised at the stall
- Feedback on the forever garden - this area has been fixed up, and the asbestos encapsulated. The temporary fencing is there to protect the new grass, and will remain until after the holidays
- The preschool had their rating visit, Roxanne and team all did a wonderful job. Congratulations was given to the staff, results don't come out for another week
- Special education unit - last P&C meeting discussion on this, now it is official Banksmeadow PS will be getting two more special ed classes. Process for infrastructure underway, likely to have two demountables in the play ground area - these rooms may be for stage 2 or 3. Also upgrades to fences etc to prepare for new kids to start 2016. Will start interviewing for staff ASAP. Ben will keep us updated as this process goes on.
- Ben put a notice in the newsletter for a defence force teachers aide - will be following up on this.
- Tell Them From Me - parent survey collecting data on student and community wellbeing, this feedback will be acted on
- Book parade tomorrow morning
- Peter Merrick and Tina Fahey taking L/S leave - replacement teachers Jacki Counsel and Jess Allen will cover the classes for this time
- Report templates - previous P&C meeting discussions on report templates, Ben brought along some samples for the P&C to review
  - in the stages the staff have looked at the scope and sequence which will be addressed in each semester report
  - new template has change of wording to make it more reader friendly
  - discussion on the different aspects of the proposed template - seems comprehensive and easy to understand, clear to read
  - Brendan fed back that this template is helpful for the teachers as doesn't take as much time away from classroom teaching and preparation, helpful in looking at the curriculum as a teacher group
  - point raised around the input from the HSIE teacher - who can feed comments to classroom teacher which will be included in report
  - helps to promote consistency across the stage
  - feedback from the P&C meeting all positive for the new template

- this will be trialled for the semester 2 report 2015 - Ben very happy to take feedback on this once parents have received it
- Caren provided congratulations to school on excellent NAPLAN results this year, big thanks to all staff for the efforts in teaching all our children

#### Treasurers report

- \$7159.00 currently in the bank
- Steve will organise the float for all the future events
- Sarah is organising online banking for the P&C

#### Ben MacCreadie raising money for medical research \ 5000 steps.

- Ben will put it into the principals message in the newsletter with the link to donate money
- P&C happy to promote as well
- Discussion around fairness and equity of P&C donations
- P&C happy to donate \$300 towards Ben's mission!

#### Next Meeting:

Fete Meeting - Monday 14th September 7pm Sarah's place

P&C Meeting - Monday 12th October 7pm school library