Keira High School P&C Meeting
MINUTES
Wednesday 3 June 2015

Meeting Opened: 7.40pm

Attendance: Robyn Tindall, Samantha Rudd (Guest Speaker), Vicki Dodd, Deb Burford, Marion Payne, Susan Engel, Leigh Stewart, Peter Edwell (Guest Speaker), Heather Rutty

Staff attendance: David Robson (Principal),
Catherine Ramos, Directed Senior Study Program

Apologies: Anita Westera, Kate Atkinson, Sharon Anderson, Kate Callinan, Ana Villaca

Welcome and Introductions: Two visitors welcomed, Samantha Rudd, South Coast Representative for the Federation of P&C Associations; Dr Peter Edwell, KHS alumni and now Senior Lecturer in Ancient History at Macquarie University.

Acceptance of Previous Minutes: Heather Rutty; Seconded: Robyn Tindall

Presentation by Catherine Ramos on the Directed Senior Study Program: This was in the library and was an informative session about this program, which aims to ensure that Year 11 and 12 students use their study periods more effectively. Catherine showed us a range of tools that she has developed to assist students and there were a range of questions for her.

Presentation by Samantha Rudd, South Coast Representative for the Federation of P&C Associations: Samantha explained that the Federation of P&Cs has been newly reformed in January 2015. The new structure sees 16 regional electorates and we are in the South Coast. Each electorate has one Councillor and two delegates at the AGM. The main goal of the organisation is to provide services to local P&Cs, especially insurance and advice on legal and other issues. They are currently revamping their website and they also welcome phone calls. They also advocate for adequate funding for public schools. Samantha provided a hand out and talked about fundraising ideas. There were a range of questions and discussions.
Presentation by Dr Peter Edwell, KHS alumni on the first history project on KHS done in the 1980s: Peter, and Leigh Stewart, a current KHS parent, were involved as year 8 students (in early 1980s) in writing a history of KHS, supervised by one of the history teachers at the time. They explained the project and circulated a copy of the original booklet they produced. Peter and Lee suggested this project be repeated as it was a great student project. There was a discussion about this and much enthusiasm from parents. David Robson indicated that he would pursue the matter with the current history staff team to see if this could be made a priority project for them.

Business Arising from Previous Meeting:

- Robyn has sent a letter to Bunnings to seek a 2015 date for a fundraising BBQ.
- Life Membership decision re Lauren Borst: the sub-committee recommended life membership to the general meeting and this was agreed. Further, $50 was allocated from P&C funds to purchase Lauren an official certificate and other items from the P&C Federation. A dinner for Lauren will also be arranged by Robyn, Heather and David before the next P&C as the next meeting is not until August.
- Wot Opera: the cost of this program was not supplied nor the exact contribution that is sought from the P&C. This should be provided for the next P&C meeting to enable the P&C to make a decision regarding support.

Correspondence:

- There were two media releases from the P&C Federation.
- Details of a comedy show that can be a fundraiser - to be kept for future consideration.
- Letter from the Australian Scholarships Group requesting that the P&C provides a nomination/award for a teacher who goes above and beyond in their service. As an alternative, David suggested we consider supporting the school’s own system, the “Five Islands Teaching Awards”. This will be further discussed at the next P&C meeting.
Treasurer’s Report:
- Regarding the Entertainment Books fundraiser, Heather noted that Carmel Pemberton has been basically running this and has done a fantastic job, thanks! The fundraisers is in week 4 now and will be finished shortly though parents can still purchase a book online and nominate KHS to benefit from this fundraiser.

Principal’s Report:
- Support for historical project again noted.

General Business:
- P&C Archives: Robyn has organised for P&C archives (1998-2012) to be stored at the school.
- Susan offered to create an online space for posting minutes, etc. To be discussed at the next meeting.
- School Newsletter P&C Column – if any P&C members would like to contribute to the column in the monthly school newsletter, please contact Robyn. An item or a quote for the column would be appreciated.
- Grants available- none noted at this meeting

Meeting Closed: 9.20pm