



RAVENSTHORPE

DISTRICT HIGH SCHOOL

School Council Meeting Minutes

Date: Monday, 5th December 2016
Time: Meeting opened at 3.28pm
Place: School Library

1. RECORD OF ATTENDANCE:

Present: Ian Fitzgerald, Fiona Philson, Kerry Dickenson, Denise Bailey, Annette Caelli,
Apologies: Angy Kkrikstolaitis

2. MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

- Noted that School Council is still one member short – parent member.

3. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Recommendation:

That the minutes of the Ravensthorpe School Council meeting held 28th November 2016, be confirmed as a true and correct record of proceedings subject to the amendments noted.

Moved: Kerry Dickinson **Second:** Denise Bailey

4. P&C Update

Nothing further to update from the November 28th meeting.

5. School Finance Report

Updated report was presented by Fiona Philson especially in relation to voluntary contributions but it was still noted to be a disappointing collection of funds overall.

6. Principal's Report

Report presented.

Points noted: NAPLAN – an updated data report was presented.

- Additional teacher training/PD will be provided in 2017.
- Council noted overall results are disappointing

School Plan 2017 -2019 – revised draft plan presented

- Change order of key strategies and milestones
- Include where appropriate how results will be measured
- Council noted improvements to the draft and viewed a sample of a more detailed operation plan for literacy and numeracy

National Opinion survey – results presented

- Poor participation rate, especially from parents, & disappointing results overall, behaviour and perception issues

- Strong need for a more positive image of the school to be promoted – both internally and externally into the wider community

Bullying Brochure – draft presented to Council for review

- Brochure will be professionally produced
- Proof to be distributed to the Council prior to production run

Voluntary Contributions – were circulated via email between meetings and agreed to.

Moved: Kerry Dickinson **Second:** Denise Bailey

That the Voluntary Contributions for 2017 as circulated be endorsed.

7. General Business

Annual Report by School Council – due in term 4 – Chairman to make address at end of year presentation night.

School Annual Report – to be completed and adopted by Council in term 1 of 2017

School Council Vacancy – to be advertised widely at the start of term 1, 2017.

Uniforms

Moved: Kerry Dickinson **Seconded:** Annette Caelli

That the School Council support the adoption of the current blue/gold sports shirt as the new school shirt as from 2017.

A 12 month transition period was agreed but anyone representing the school at an event was required to have the new blue/gold shirt.

Class Structure 2017 – Fiona Philson presented the proposed class structure for 2017 and also the proposal to move to a 7 period day. The staff is happy with the proposals.

Noted by the School Council.

Senior Primary School Camp – future camps not necessarily to be to Canberra. Fiona Philson has advised Hopetoun Primary. A WA based camp with local activities to be investigated.

Website – Chairman raised concerns that the website continues to be out of date with no current School Council minutes posted and no message from the Principal. Needs to be updated and kept current to help promote the school.

8. Correspondence

Nil

Next Meeting to be held: Tuesday 14 the February 2017 – 3.15pm.
(meetings to be held in weeks 3 and 8)

Chairman passed on his thanks to the School Council members and wished all a safe and enjoyable festive season.

Meeting finished at 5.18pm