

## **School Council Meeting**

### **5<sup>th</sup> December 2007**

#### **Present**

Elizabeth Mulhern, Michael McCarthy, Colin Cassidy, Selena O'Sullivan, Liz Harley, Gill Baldwin, Angela Thompson, Patrick Van Maanen, Rod Hulme, Paul Ridgeway, Bruce Hopcroft, Linda Baker

#### **Apologies**

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Meeting Commenced : 8.00pm

#### **Minutes of previous meeting**

Accept mins

*Moved:* Angela Thompson

*Seconded:* Liz Harley

#### **Business Arising**

- Principal's selection panel (discuss in general business)
- Location of new portable (discuss in general business)

#### **Correspondence In**

- Thankyou from pre-school for use of hall

#### **Correspondence out**

- None

#### **Principal's Report**

- As tabled
- Suzanne Peterson to return to her old school for 12 months
- Three staff with Teacher Prof. Leave (5 weeks at begin. of Term 3). Alice Dodds, Karen Grimm and Liz Harley
- A reminder to be mindful of confidentiality regarding School Council matters
- Maths/Science push for 2008
- Funding for 14 classes is difficult. This leaves our 2008 budget very tight. LOTE may not be offered in it's current form. Maybe offered by staff who have various other languages (during rotations), or as a 'cultural studies' rather than language acquisition subject for 2008. Once the 'Confirmed Budget' arrives after Census day we will have more knowledge about our staffing flexibility.
- Four new staff are graduates
- Elizabeth says a big 'Thank you' to council for all their work.

*Moved:* Paul Ridgeway

*Seconded:* Patrick Van Maanen

## **Finance**

As tabled

*Moved:* Gill Baldwin

*Seconded:* Michael

Auditor's Letter – will come 22<sup>nd</sup> February (Three year cycle)

*Moved:* Angela

*Seconded:* Liz Harley

## **Buildings and Grounds**

No report – Working Bee Sat. 8<sup>th</sup>

## **OOSC Report**

No report

## **Parents and Friends Report**

- Discussions for next year
- As tabled

## **Policy and Curriculum**

- No report

## **Marketing**

- No report

## **Junior School Council**

- No report

## **General Business**

- Kinder meeting – St Anthony's and Glenhuntly have both expressed interest in housing a kinder on site, as have we.
- Anne Barker keen to see it at Carnegie, but we should aim for help from the government for some permanent structures before we give up land. Ann is keen to help.
- Mod 5 location? Two main options – concrete adjacent to existing 5/6 portable or at site of older style playground equipment near the hall.
- Discussion of pros and cons. No decision made and will be left to Elizabeth, Michael and Portable relocators.
- Principals selection panel – Staff Representative / Michael McCarthy  
School Council President Representative / Linda Baker  
School Council representative / Gill Baldwin  
(Withdrawn – Patrick Van Maanen )

*Moved:* Deb Killeen

*Seconded:* Liz Harley

- Should School community be given a chance to offer opinions? No, not in any formal way.

Leave it up to School Council and elected selection panel.

- Acting Principal for 2008 – Linda Jones
- Had the Acting Principal not been an experienced Principal (as opposed to an Assistant Principal acting in a Principal's role) Michael would have put his hand up for the acting role.

**Meeting Closed : 8.45 pm**

**Next Meeting: Wednesday February 27<sup>th</sup>**

**Following Meeting Wednesday March 19th**