



**KENSINGTON PRIMARY SCHOOL COUNCIL
MINUTES**

Wednesday 4 September 2013, Meeting 06/13

1. **Welcome:** 5.02pm
2. **Apologies:** Cara Finch, Geoff Smith
3. **Attendance:** Kevin Trent, Bruce Macauley, Lisa Williamson, Sandra Cook, Belinda Moharich, Leslie Harris, Martha Walters, Marie Short, Steven Davis, Raema Stanford, Michael Rosich, Rick Hughes, Tanya Elson.

4. Correspondence

- In:** Letter from the City of South Perth re: Volunteer of the Year Awards.
Letter from State School Teachers' Union re: Schools Funding 2013/14.
Out: Bruce to nominate Natalie Gallagher and Ethan as volunteers of the year.

5. Confirmation of Minutes of Previous Meetings

The Council considered the minutes of the meeting of 7 August 2013.

Moved: Lisa Williamson

Seconded: Kevin Trent

6. Business Arising from Meeting held Wednesday 7 August 2013

6.1 **Communication – development of school PR document** **Belinda**

Belinda distributed copies of the document and sort feedback. The document will be integrated into the new web site.

Action: Belinda to distribute document to council via email.

6.2 **School website** **Geoff**

Bruce reported that Tracey was very close to completing the site.

Carried over to next meeting.

6.3 **Council Responsibilities** **Geoff**

Geoff emailed his template and council will forward him their profile to be included in next newsletter.

Carried over to next meeting.

6.4 **Parking around School** **Geoff**

Action: Geoff to meet with Main Roads WA

Action: Martha to keep this item on the agenda

All actions carried over to next council meeting.

6.5 P&C Initiatives

Tanya

- Tile mural to be up before the end of term.
- Writers in Residence Program received mixed feedback.
- WACCSO conference outstanding message that parent involvement in schools critical.
- Good response to busy bee.
- Canteen or school lunches being investigated by small subcommittee.
- Cost of school photos was thought to be too high – looking at alternatives.

6.6 High Visibility Vests

Michael

Order going in this week and should arrive the second week of October.

6.7 New Member of Council

Council welcomed Rick Hughes as a new council member.

7. New Business

7.2 Student Centred Funding Model

Bruce

Bruce discussed the new funding model that allocates a dollar value per child depending on need that will be in effect 2014/2015. He foresaw the enrolment process might become rather long and onerous but acknowledged the idea would create fairer funding in schools.

7.3 Budget Cuts to Education

Bruce

Many changes were discussed;

- School will be down 1.7 FTE teachers.
- EAL/D will lose FTE Education Assistants.
- Children with disabilities will receive reduced teacher time.
- Level 3 teachers lose 0.5 day to work elsewhere in the school.
- Educational Assistants in charge of anaphylaxis students cancelled.
- Pre-primary may not have Educational Assistants.
- All contingency money to be taxed at 1.5%.
- Performance management funds cancelled.
- LSL liability levy \$600/person etc.

7.4 Update/review of school policy documents on website

Michael

Bruce to review as part of the web site update.

7.5 Onsite After School Care Facility

Michael

Ready Set Grow now operates out of Curtin Primary School – not as convenient. Michael discussed other options – P&C are investigating alternatives. Lisa suggested spending some time with PCYC to see if they could be improved.

8. School Council Watching Brief Curtin Education Community Ongoing

Independent Public Schools 2013 Update

23 October IPS meeting – Bruce to report back to council.

- 9. **General Business**
- 10. **Meeting Closed:** 6.45pm
- 11. **Next general meeting:**

Term 1	Term 2	Term 3	Term 4
Week 3	22 May	7 August	30 October Election of Office Bearers
Week 7 – 20 March	19 June	4 September	27 November