



**GLADSTONE PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL
SCHOOL COUNCIL MINUTES**

MEETING: ONE

DATE: 08/02/10

PRESENT:

V. Patane S. Hughes T. Franco N. Jarram R. Birney G. Scordia J. Martin
N. Bell T. Malgioglio S. Mitchell

APOLOGIES:

D. Richmond B. Fox N. Caruso T. Gregor

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:

MOVED: N. Jarram

SECONDED: S. Hughes

CARRIED

BUSINESS ARISING:

G. Scordia was an apology at the December 2009 meeting.

CORRESPONDENCE:

OUT: Nil

Liz Beattie MP – *Working together*

IN: DEECD – Parent and Community Service Awards

DEECD – Wheelchair Access Ramps

DEECD – Schools Bulletin (B001 – 2010 and B002 - 2010)

REPORTS:

1. FINANCIAL AND TRANSACTIONAL:

I. High Yield Account: \$214,989.25

II. Official Account: \$ 18,492.66

III. Investment Account: \$ 91,164.23

TOTAL UNCOMMITTED \$324,646.14

IV. Electronic Fund Transfer: CRP 3276 – 3391

FINANCIAL REPORT:

MOVED: T. Patane

SECONDED: R. Birney

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2. PRINCIPAL'S:

- Planning for 2010

Current enrolment as of 08/02/10 is 381 students, 197 boys and 184 girls. The total enrolment has shown an increase from December's projection of 368.

- Budget

Due to the extra enrolments, it's anticipated that the confirmed SRP, to be released after census, will place the school in a stronger financial position than originally predicted. Whilst Council approved the 2010 Budget in December last year, it is Tony's intention to present a modified Budget (reflecting actual funding) at the meeting in May.

- Structure

The grade structure remains unchanged from what was announced at the end of 2009:

3 x Prep	1 x Grade 1	1 x Grade 1/2	2 x Grade 2	2 x Grade 3
2 x Grade 4	2 x Grade 5	1 x Grade 5/6	2 x Grade 6	

The specialist and support programs were only finalised recently to reflect and support the school's concentrated focus in 2010 on bringing about and sustaining improved student achievement in English. Whilst the school is still providing specialised P.E., Art & Craft and Music lessons, we have expanded the provision of literacy support by restricting LOTE to the 5/6 area and using the extra teaching time to provide supplementary ESL (English as a Second Language) support for our new arrivals. Literacy support is also being provided by Roberta Abbott, Peter Ryan and Helen Wright (ESL). Furthermore, we have increased the time fractions of our Integration Aides as an extra support for student learning.

- Staffing

Our three members of staff, Tina Croswell, Katherine Black and Timothy Sturmfels have all settled in very well and have already begun to make a positive difference to teaching and learning at GPPS.

- Information Evenings

Meet the Teacher sessions have been organised for Tuesday, 16th and Wednesday, 17th February. Notices have been sent home to parents outlining the details and time allocation.

- School Council Elections

Vacant positions:

3 two-year parent vacancies (Tanya Franco, Georgina Scordia and Nicole Jarram are up for re-election)

2 two-year staff vacancies (Sue Hughes and David Richmond are up for re-election)

Community members are appointed by Council, not elected. There are 4 vacancies. Narelle Caruso is eligible for re-appointment)

- Meeting Schedule for 2010

Monday, 8th February

Monday, 15th March

Monday, 3rd May



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Monday, 7th June

Monday 19th July

Monday, 16th August

Monday, 13th September

Monday, 11th October

Monday, 8th November

Monday, 6th December – Christmas Meeting

- My School Website

Last week the Commonwealth Government launched controversial new website, *My School*. It provides data on Australian schools and allows parents to compare the performance of schools with other 'like' schools as well as all schools across Australia. The performance of schools is based on the NAPLAN and therefore does not take into consideration anything else that schools do to add value to student learning.

- Buildings and Grounds

The construction on our new gym is progressing very well with the slab being poured last week. There was a great deal of activity around the school from mid-January onwards. Unfortunately, the workmen had to dig a trench along the whole length of the playground to access electricity and gas. This caused a great deal of inconvenience when staff turned up for work on 27th January. However, to their credit the workmen toiled hard and long over the weekend to get the school yard ready for the children on their first day.

Tony would like to organise a working bee for Sunday, 21st March involving the grades 3 – 6 families. There is quite a bit of general tidying up and gardening that needs to be attended to. The working bee will be broken up into two sessions, 10:00am – 12:00pm and 12:00pm – 2:00pm. A sausage sizzle will be provided for lunch.

3. CANTEEN COMMITTEE:

- Tina will attend a two day in-service day put on by ASCA which will cover ideas for school canteens to experience profit.
- Four hot dog days have been scheduled for the end of each term.
- The school can have two red days each year.

4. PARENT'S CLUB AND FUND RAISING:

- The first meeting is scheduled for this Thursday at 2:00pm.
- The chocolates will be arriving soon for the chocolate drive.

5. BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS:

- Addressed in the Principal's Report.

6. UNIFORM SHOP

- The shop has been busy with the sale of many school uniforms.



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7. OSHC:

- Accreditation is scheduled for around 10th March, however it could take place at any time before this date.
- Numbers in the morning program are satisfactory but the numbers in the afternoon program remain low.

8. MARKETING AND PUBLICITY:

- Just two signs remain to be sold.
- One sign has gone missing.
- The Raine and Horn sign has been graffitied, however Roger thinks he can remove it.

ALL REPORTS:

MOVED: S. Hughes

SECONDED: T. Franco

CARRIED

GENERAL BUSINESS:

- **School Governance**

All school governance items tabled have been discussed and endorsed.

MOVED: G. Scordia

SECONDED: T. Franco

CARRIED

- ***Change of School Council Meeting***

The June 14th Council meeting has been changed to 7th June as it is the Queen's Birthday weekend.

- ***School Council Elections***

The constituting Order for GPPS is that School Council has a total of 15 members. Six in the parent category, five in the DEECD employee category and four in the community member category. The process for constituting the new Council will be set in motion.

- ***Signs on Fence***

The McDonalds sign was stolen. What will the protocol be if it happens again? The fact of the matter is that the school provides the space only and the sign is the property of the business. Getting a replacement sign may not be as expensive as the original as the stencil has already made up. The matter needs further consideration and the responsibilities of each of the parties needs to be made clear to each business.



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MEETING CLOSED: 8:30 pm

NEXT MEETING: 15/03/10

TONY MALGIOGLIO
PRINCIPAL

NICOLE BELL
PRESIDENT