Minutes of the Macquarie Fields Public School P & C Association
General Meeting held on Monday, 17th of February 2014 at 9.15 am

Present: 18 as per attendance book.

Apologies: 1 as per attendance book.

Minutes of
Previous Meeting: Kristy Colville proposed that the minutes from the previous general meeting be accepted. Moved Kass Desfosses. Seconded Robyn Jeney.

Business Arising
From Minutes Nil

Correspondence: School Products Australia Catalogue.
Twelve Chartered Accountants: Notice for Parents with children in year 4, 5 or 6.
Mr Showbags 2014 Order Form.
Australian Fundraising Catalogue.
Back 2 School Catalogue.
Crown Concepts Mother’s Day Catalogue.
Gifts4U Mother’s Day Catalogue.
Unique Elegance Mother’s Day Catalogue.
Maps Fundraising Mother’s Day Catalogue.
Smart Funraisers Mother’s Day Catalogue.

Business Arising
From Correspondence: Members of the committee will peruse the catalogues and order gifts for the Mother’s Day stall.

President’s Report: As per attached report.

Treasurer’s Report: Presented by Ellie Logan.
Working balance as at 31/01/2014 is $14,932.37
Itemised report attached.

Ellie Logan proposed that the Treasurer’s report be accepted as true and correct. Moved Melanie Hudson. Seconded Kass Desfosses.
Ellie Logan proposed that the expenses for the months of December 2013 and January 2014 be adopted. Moved Kristy Colville. Seconded Kass Desfosses.
Ellie proposed that the expenses for:
Catering Leadership Investiture
Mother’s Day Gifts
New commercial fridge for the Hall kitchen (further discussion about this in General Business)
be approved.
Moved Linda Maddick and Robyn Jeney.
Itemised report attached.
Kristy thanked Ellie, Kass and Linda for all their hard work in the Uniform Shop on the very busy days at the start of the school year.

Fundraising Report: Merv Gabel and Karen Winter resigned from their positions as fundraising committee.

Principal’s Report: See attached report.
Since there were a lot of new parents at the meeting, Kerrie suggested everybody introduce themselves and state their cultural background.
The P & C is to subsidise the Healthy Harold Life Education, so that every child can attend.

General Business: Ellie presented 2 quotes for fridges and after a short discussion it was decided to purchase the fridge with locks.
Kristy is going to contact a scrap metal business to have the old one removed.
It was decided to go ahead with the Donut King fundraiser for years 5 and 6 only, just in case there are too many orders for Edward Kay (Donut King Shop manager) to handle in one go.
The fundraiser can then be extended to the other stages later in the year.
Linda Maddick had previously suggested having a Smencils fundraiser. It was decided to go ahead with this next term.
There will be no more collection of Easter eggs prior to Easter.
This was a lot of work and it was of no particular benefit.
The tradition of footprints and an egg per child will be continued.
Kristy asked for volunteers to help with selling ice blocks after school.
There is a cockroach problem in the Hall kitchen, but since the whole school was fumigated during the holidays, it may be possible for the fumigators to redo the kitchen, or maybe some baits can be put out.
Kim of Kim’s Quirky Cakes said she could donate some cakes vouchers for special occasions. All she asks in return is to have her business acknowledged.

Meeting closed at 10.30am.

Next meeting is on Monday 17th of March 2014 at 9.15 am in the staffroom after the AGM.

Chairperson
President’s Report February 2014.

Thank you everyone for coming to the first meeting of the year. I hope you all had a wonderful holiday.

The first thing I need to do this meeting is to say a big thank you to the volunteers for Carols by Candlelight last year. It was a big night and the volunteers went above and beyond. Without volunteers none of the things we need to do can happen.

This year we are hoping to organize some take home fundraisers as last year we took a break from doing any fundraisers of that type. Examples that we can talk about in general business are the Donut Fundraiser and the Smencils that Linda brought up at the end of last year.

Other things that we need to talk about in general business are: Helpers for ice block selling.
Easter egg collection
Mothers Day
Upcoming dates.

I am hoping for a year of continued support of the committee, volunteers and parents.
The start of the year has been fantastic. 785 students in 31 classes. 7 classes of Kindergarten and all students are settling in well. The new demountable will arrive in the next week. Library refurbishment is almost complete. Ms Miller and her team of volunteers have done an amazing job.

We had many parents attend the Meet the teacher sessions last week and all teachers have sent home written communication regarding routines and requirements.

School Photos were taken last Wednesday. This was early in the year however everything went very well.

Woolies earn and learn equipment will be delivered on Wednesday this week.

Parent Café will be held this Wednesday and the ESL teachers are looking for ideas for 2014 Harmony Day.

5 executive members are attending a 3 day leadership conference Thursday – Saturday this week. It should be very rewarding as we work with Mark Strom.

Constable Williams is coming to speak to stage 3 about bullying as she does at the beginning of each year.

Mr Tyler is busy trying to organise for scripture to start at the beginning of next week.

Zone swimming is in Week 5 Tuesday 25th and finals Thursday 27th.

Leadership Investiture is being held on Wednesday 26th Feb at 9.15 in the hall. Would P&C be able to provide morning tea for leaders and their parents?

Year 1 vision screening is being done on 5th March.

Stage 1 are enjoying the weekly gymnastics program.

Other activities this term-

* Life education Program
* Gala days
* Harmony Day
* Young Leaders Day
* Year 1 to the circus
* Stage 3 to Bathurst
* Easter Hat Parade