

Elmwood Normal School Community Association (ENSCA)

Minutes of meeting held 9:00am, Thursday 16 March 2017

1. Present:

Bridget Eastgate, Nicola Brownlee, Kelly Snoep, Rebecca Taylor, Michelle Tait, Pip Singleton, Daneen Morgan, Louise Parnham, Natasha Lamont, Rachel Teen, Jen Anderson, Sara Hearn, Jonelle Quane, Julie Wells, Tara Lemmon, Mandy Hinton, Maree Crisp, Paul Armitage

2. Apologies:

Jo Wynn-Harris, Fe Parish, Agnes McLachlan, Steph Burdon

3. Minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 16 February 2017 were previously distributed.

Motion: "That the Minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 16 February 2017 are accepted subject to discussed amendments".

Moved: Bridget Eastgate

Seconded: Nicola Brownlee

4. Treasurers Report:

Nicola Brownlee advised:

\$31,000.00 across all accounts. \$16,000.00 was paid to ENS as a general donation. \$4,000.00 gifted to ENS for running of the school pool.

Money received into accounts recently for sushi and subway lunches and uniform sales.

Payments made since the beginning of the year include uniforms, sushi and posters (reimbursing Natasha for ENSCA breakfast advertising).

Motion: "That the financial statements for the months of 1st January to 16th March 2017 are ratified and all accounts approved for payment."

Moved: Nicola Brownlee

Seconded: Daneen Morgan

5. Principal's Update

Paul thanked ENCA for their recent donations to ENS. With it being a general donation it allowed for flexibility of the funds and he was able to also purchase some new i-pads as well as funding the new heat pumps.

Auditorium renovation is progressing well. Has proven to be a problematic building but is getting there now. Interior paint colour is looking exceptional and keeping color scheme under wraps until re-opened. Wooden flooring is having

to be replaced and is looking fantastic. \$250,000.00 has been spent by the BoT on this building. Now the weather tight issues are being remedied it is a wonderful asset to have.

Paul reminded ENSCA of the Nathan Wallis talk on Monday 20th March, 7 pm to 8.30 pm at Paparoa Primary for the Te Kāhui Learning Community Cluster.

As well as being a principal Paul advised he is also involved in the Normal Schools Association, spending time at the University of Canterbury on course review and in Wellington with The Ministry of Education about how best to prepare teachers for the future. Involves a good chunk of his time.

Paul is president of Primary Sports Canterbury involving years 5 and 6 students onwards.

Paul is also involved with the GCSN Trust working with schools in the East to ensure there are no learning barriers involving access to technology (getting computers and internet access into student's hands and homes). This is easily taken for granted in our own community. With a 40% student turnover occurring in some schools this makes learning tough for students constantly on the move. Paul is busily involved with this Trust as it is something he is very passionate about.

6. ENSCA Information Leaflet

Bridget advised there were 15 responses to the information leaflet given out at parents evening. Information has been collated and forwarded out. Some people are wanting to do something but not sure what so in meantime will get copied in on minutes and may be part of something later on.

Sara Hearne suggested having once leaflet covering everything from being involved in the class rep process through to giving permission to be part of a collated email group. A Google Drive document for each class would be easy to access and no room for error reading individual's handwriting. **AP** Louise Parnham and Michelle to flick a google doc's template to Kelly for future implementation.

7. Class Rep Drinks

Night was very well attended and enjoyed by those who came.

8. Amazing Race

Is coming up on Sunday 9th of April from 10 am to 2 pm. Briefing will be at 9.45 am and race starting at 10 am. Bobby Tellick is judging and with there being a small amount of prizes available this year the hope is to get through the prize giving within the hour. A sausage sizzle will be provided. ASB are donating a water bottle to every child racing. Idea is that families will join together if only one parent can come. Location is being kept within the city so there is not as much driving as past races and provides an awesome opportunity to see our city's developments. The cost this year is down to \$25.00 as it is all about

families coming together. Michelle Tait taking names etc. ENSCA may make \$500.00 from the event. There will be a prize for class participation and provides a great opportunity for classes to do it as their first term get together. Aiming to wrap the day up by 3.30pm. BBQ still hasn't arrived so will need to borrow a few from neighbouring school families.

Janine did another beautiful job creating the Amazing Race posters. Michelle Tait suggested ENSCA reimburse Janine for her time spent on posters over the years.

Motion: "To reimburse Janine as thanks for her time spent on creating posters over the years".

Moved: Michelle Tait

Seconded: Bridget Eastgate

9. ENSCA Breakfast

Natasha advised all tickets have now been sold and there is now a wait list. The George and Bruce Garrett have been excellent to deal with and are providing a complimentary microphone. Natasha has emailed invoices out and payment is due by 31st March. Several names to chase up as no contact email address. Need to give some thought about how to make it bigger next year so more people get to participate.

AP Natasha and Nicola to collect payments for invoicing.

10. Quiz Night

Bridget's opinion is a quiz night would be good in the depths of winter – perhaps July. Maree Crisp advised the Christchurch Casino runs good quiz nights and they organise everything from bar snacks to big screens etc. Super easy. Held in the Sports Bar. **AP** Maree Crisp to give Casino contact name to Daneen.

11. Any other business

a) Art Auction

There is still enough interest to run another art auction this year. To replicate the same hype and atmosphere of previous art auction is a big ask. Looking over last art auction and the reason it was a success was because it hadn't been done before and Dad's were bidding against each other with a fabulous auctioneer. Has been added to the calendar for 22nd of September. Previously Pip did all the organising for the night and Mandy did the art side of stuff. Michelle did all the emailing.

Artwork needs to be started in Term 2 to be ready by September as it is time consuming getting the art together. Lessons learnt in the past will help any pitfalls this year i.e. correct art materials are used etc. Mary could build it into the classrooms. Must be an auction for one-off art originals. Not able to buy prints or tea-towels etc.

Lots of parents in the school are art qualified and a meeting to call on helpers and discuss logistics is to be held on Wednesday 5th April, 7pm at Aikmans.

b) Calendars

Sarah Redmayne is wanting to do them in Term 2 this year. Have to be careful not to conflict with artwork for the auction. Bridget is to talk to Sarah about timeframes etc. Has to be done on a specific piece of paper. **AP** Bridget to chat to Mary after school about how it all works.

c) Class Representative Café Draw

The winner of the class rep café draw was Karen Drayton from Room 9. **AP** Nicola Brownlee to organise \$25 Brigettes café voucher.

Meeting closed at 9.54 am.

Next meeting is to be held 13th April 2017 at 9:00 am in the staffroom.