



1. Attendance

All attendees via zoom:

Nick Elkington (President), Adam Raine (Vice President), Rose Hogan (Vice President), Anne Turner (Fundraising Coordinator), Nyssa Kelly, Cathy Seberry (Secretary), Andrew Rigelsford (Treasurer), Shelley Sneath, Tarnya Belfield, Janine Dine, Kathie Colley (Principal), Kira Gough, Colleen van Laar, Clare Newton, Jamie Buskin, Catherine Whittaker, Jocelyn Karsten, Vicky Cooper, Erin Wynn, Nicole Gloor

Guest speaker: Nicole Nathan

2. Uniform Research presented by Dr Nicole Nathan

Key points include:

- World Health Organisation recommends 60 mins of moderate – vigorous physical activity per day. Currently many Australian children not meeting these guidelines. Girls significantly less active than boys.
- Research group working on “Go Noodle” program that involves many 5 min active breaks. These are easy for teachers to incorporate into their day.
- Uniforms have not changed in over 40 years, but children’s body images have.
- Research recommends the simple intervention of children wearing their sports uniform every day.
- Researchers asked students if they would be more active if wearing their sports uniform. 64% of primary students responded yes, 91% of secondary students responded yes. Primary (particularly infants students) are less conscious of their uniform.
- Other research suggests that 90% of girls prefer shorts / T-shirts.
- Parents and teachers were also asked. 78% of parents positive, 60% teachers like sports uniform, 38% Principal’s like sports uniform. It was noted that Principals were concerned with children wearing sports uniform in formal occasions.
- Researchers tested whether wearing a sports uniform made a difference to the amount of activity the students engaged in, and it resulted in a significantly higher rate of physical activity.
- Dr Nathan added that change can be made gradually eg introduce more sports clothes days, flip to wearing sports uniform more, traditional uniform less eg on special days.
- There are also cost benefits to changing to a sports uniform as a unisex uniform can be handed down to siblings of either sex.
- Teachers also report in-class benefits in that the children are less fidgety in their sports uniform, and that they are more likely to include physical activities in lessons as the children are dressed appropriately. Children that have behavioural issues can concentrate better after more physical exercise.

The members thanked Dr Nathan for her presentation. The meeting engaged in a small discussion about the presentation.

The main meeting commenced at 7.10pm.

Nick opened the main meeting and gave the Belair Public School Acknowledgement of Country.

3. Principal's Report

Kathie Colley presented the Principals Report. Refer to attached copy.

Key points include:

- Kinder 2022 orientation has commenced on-site.
- Year 6 to High School transition sessions have also commenced.
- The school is preparing for the 2022 school year, including organising book packs and the BYOD policy.
- Kathie noted that a high number of local schools have had to close due to COVID cases. BPS is being conservative eg P&C off-site to reduce the likelihood of this happening.
- End of year presentation days are able to go ahead if outside and if grades are kept separate.
- Year party days are going ahead, but will be conducted onsite.
- Progressing items in the School Plan has re-commenced. The playground will be painted with hopscotch, snakes and ladders etc. New recycling bins will be purchased and Aboriginal signage will go ahead.
- Kathie noted that some students are struggling post-COVID. They are currently trying to increase the learning stamina of children to pre-COVID times. Kathie encouraged parents to talk to their children to understand how they were going. Refer to the Newsletter for more info.
- The Interrelate sessions are going well for years 5 & 6.
- The school is currently analyzing this year's check-in and Naplan results.
- The school is installing a new phone system, which now means that every room in the school can be contacted when there is an emergency.
- Another roof is being replaced in the school.

4. Treasurers Report

The Treasurer's Report was tabled:

Account Balances @ 17/11/2021

General Account \$ 21,522

Canteen Account \$ 10,799

Uniform Shop \$ 6,167

+\$38,488 net position. Future commitments include canteen supplies for the rest of the year, and the Year 6 farewell.

Andrew was able to obtain a COVID support payment of \$7500 for the P&C.

Andrew noted that the public liability was current. The P&C ACNC charity status was also renewed on 1st October 2021.

Andrew was investigating whether the P&C Association qualified for DGR status.

5. Fundraising Report

Upcoming / Ongoing projects include:

- Gingerbread houses – 90 have been sold to date. Orders open till end November. Promotions will continue via the newsletter and Facebook.
- Mangoes – this promotion ends on 26th November. Initially 360 trays of mangoes were ordered, this has been cut back to 180. Not all are sold, but some final promotions are hoped to help this.
- Read-a-thon prizes were handed out.

Anne will meet with the fundraising group early next year to reflect on what projects were successful based on effort and \$gain achieved.

6. General Business

Nick – discussed the idea of paying for the supply of swimming caps to children attending the zone carnival. Shelley mentioned that an order had been made at the school she worked at.

Action – Shelley to forward zone swim caps order details to Kathie Colley.

Kathie – quotes for the playground works had been received by the school and is \$132,000 for the drainage, slides on the hill and the creek bed. She would like to make an application to the Assets team for the works. This money can be put in a trust account and rolled over.

Action – P&C Exec to discuss forwarding money to the school to contribute towards these works.

Anne – asked whether the presentation days will be available to watch via zoom. Kathie stated that each stage will be making a video for parents to watch. The year 6 clap out is likely to be on Hudson park so it can be spaced out appropriately.

Rose – would like to thank Debra, Janine and Tarnya for help with the balloons.

Colleen – asked about procedures for the AGM (2nd meeting in 2022) and asked for a description of each of the P&C roles.

Action – P&C to develop a short description of each P&C role before the AGM in March 2022.

Andrew – reminded the P&C Exec that a decision had to be made on whether we help pay for the Year 6 farewell. This year the costs are higher per student and it is a larger year.

Action – P&C Exec to discuss funding some of the Year 6 farewell.

7. Outstanding Actions

Date	Action	Status
21/7/21	Nick / Anne to make an email enquiry to Tod from the Dept of Education regarding cartwheels in school playgrounds.	To occur at start of 2022
21/7/21	Nick to contact Inter-relate directly and make a booking for 2022.	To occur at start of 2022
21/7/21	When parents allowed on-site, samples of grey pants to be placed in school office for review.	To occur at start of 2022
21/7/21	Andrew to notify P&C Exec members when they are required to attend the Comm Bank and sign the bank forms.	To occur at start of 2022
18/7/21	Rose to advertise for a Grants writer/coordinator within our community via Facebook.	To occur as part of 2022 committee
18/7/21	P&C to discuss / understand what has to occur to commence the uniform moratorium process.	Uniform Review to occur in 2022
18/7/21	Andrew to develop an estimate of the annual P&C costs.	
20/10/21	P&C Executive to discuss options for what to do with the Father's Day stock.	Likely to be used for Father's Day 2022
17/11/21	P&C Exec to discuss Business Property and Asset Cover for assets	P&C fully insured. Review to be undertaken next renewal period.
17/11/21	Shelley to forward zone swim caps order details to Kathie Colley.	
17/11/21	P&C Exec to discuss forwarding money to the school to contribute towards playground works.	
17/11/21	P&C to develop a short description of each P&C role before the AGM in March 2022.	
17/11/21	P&C Exec to discuss funding some of the Year 6 farewell.	Completed.

8. Next Meeting

16th February 2022.