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Minutes for P&F Meeting Wednesday 26 October 2022 7.00 McLachlan Boardroom KWS Chair – Sarah Glover

Minutes of the Meeting taken by Orion Jandera

Item		Description / Discussion	Action / Decision
1.0		STATUTORY MATTERS	
	1.1	Welcome, Attendance and Apologies	
		L Lett gave an Acknowledgment of Country.	
		Present ; S Glover, L Lett, C Bligh, J Balcomb, N Sweetapple, C Fraser, Dr A Parry, D Haywood, J Divall, O Jandera, J Russell, A Bennett	
		By Zoom: M Ashton, K Chambers, J Napier, C Baldwinson	
		Apologies; T Chapman, T Delbridge, L Stewart, H Whittemore	
	1.2	Acceptance of Minutes of Meeting on 31 August 2022 The Minutes of the previous meeting held on 31/08/22 be accepted as a true and correct record.	
		Moved: S Glover Seconded: L Lett CARRIED	Minutes Accepted
2.0		UPDATES	
	2.1	Principal's Report - Dr Parry Good start to the term. HSC commenced and still continuing, pleasing feedback but maths was challenging and different from past papers. Good results with nominations from the practical work - great for teachers and students. 142 students and over 100 have received early entry offers, in line with stats of 77% of student overall not using their ATAR for university entry or work. Question regarding the future of the ATAR and if there a better measure, possibly there is - perhaps a learning profile including academic and other activities and interviews. Our kids have multiple skills and moving away from ATAR would be good. Impressed by how year 12 finished - generosity of spirit and staff - very proud of them. Fantastic	



graduation party, behaviour was very good. Function was better outside and allowed everyone to mix well, good time of year, graduation at the end of term 3 and then have the big party outside after the HSC – will look at this for next year.	
Started year 11 going into year 12 with a retreat. Focusing them on what is ahead, very positive. Orange Eisteddfod performance went well. Debating held last Tuesday night, both teams in the final, great night. Try to empower our Senior Leaders, on the grounds, tuck shop etc a tremendous group of students. They love their school and contribute.	
Launch of the Hub successful, Kinross has had an issue with communication so this has improved the experience with families. We are pleased how this has been managed by staff. Trialling an App at the moment to make communication even more convenient.	
Over the vacation 6 students represented the school in England for Round Square Conference. Very excited and empowered by the experience. Hiking and walking in the snow. Staying at Queens at Oxford, very inspired. Positive. Kids will present at an assembly in the future.	
Busy place but a good start.	
J Balcomb asked if prefects could assist in managing student transport, in particular the Cargo bus service has some issues. Dr Parry said that he has seen this implemented in other schools, but probably not practical at KWS. N Sweetapple suggested that the bus company be contracted directly, it is difficult for them too. Dr Parry advised to report any Vaping that happens on the bus as it is illegal.	
S Glover commented on how enriching the international experience would be. Dr Parry said that we need to open our students up to the world, things outside the Greater West – prepare our kids for an exciting future. So many things you can do and international understanding of people who are different. Students applied and assessed via interview. The cost of the exchange is flight, school fees still paid for, might go for a term or a month depending on schools and country involved in the exchange – good to be mixing here too with students from other countries, build friendships and understanding. Dr Parry very passionate about students exchanges generally for year 10 students. Possibly looking at shorter exchanges for year 8 somewhere in Australia. J Balcomb suggested that there be some more trips to Sydney or other centres too. Dr Parry mentioned the PE excursion and sporting scholarships – what our students do is amazing. A Bennett asked if the school looked at the child as a whole when choosing who will be sent on exchange/international experiences, we want to send our leading kids but also a spectrum of kids where the school sees potential and students that would thrive in leadership roles.	
J Balcomb asked if Dr Parry could hold a 20 min philosophy session with Year 5T.	



2.2	Head of Junior School Report – D Haywood	
	The P&F has been a positive force for us, suppers at the Junior School Performance, morning teas for new families and existing families, International Teachers Day. Everyone feeling more connected and people are on sight.	
	The kids loved the drama performance and everyone very engaged.	
	At the Fathers' breakfast everyone loved the handball and it got competitive! Twig students serving food. Model we would like to do for mothers and significant others next years.	
	Mrs Fatai has been great with the technology in the Junior School. We are slowly improving with The Hub. Great progress. Programs always changing.	
	AIS Numeracy workshop – speed seminar on maths. How we will follow up next year – speakers and vision, then going into the classroom and the concepts that are being taught. Evening in first semester and second semester for parents regarding education.	
	SRC is evolving in the Junior School and providing a student voice. Ran the babies with hearing loss learning day. The Junior School and Senior School came together for the first time for "Wear it Purple Day". Aim to try and find more of these experiences where Junior School leaders working with Senior School leaders.	
	St Ives Grammar performed in the Theatre.	
	It did not rain for Grand Friends Day! 150 grand friends attended. Lots of flexibility. Lots of families adopted other children for the day.	
	Sports nomination coming up – will see what the appetite is for planning. By Week 5 of Term 1 we need teams. Every child involved in sport, 60 min of huff and puff per day.	
	J Balcomb commented that if a student didn't reach the required sporting grade, then they may have to choose "Skills". D Haywood said that it has been difficult getting parents to respond to expressions of interest. Have to also manage team comps and need more data. Some kids want to play competitive sport others don't, sometimes kids want to play but don't have the skills – finding the balance is tricky. Can't offer all sports at KWS, it is complex. A Bennett asked if skiing interschools could be supported at KSW – Dr Parry comes from a school that had a ski team with staff involved – issue would be staff, as it is a big responsibility. Not sure how we would manage staff to do this. It's a good experience. Interschools would be in the holidays with students representing the school, this has been done by parents taking their own children to compete. J Russell added that there is an interest in skiing in the Junior School. Dr Parry is happy to have a discussion about it. A Bennett would like to propose finding out if there is any interest from staff and parents – to help and or participate. Dr Parry will talk to Jo Priest but resourcing is likely to be an issue. If we can resource then we can enquire about parent interest.	



	S Glover asked A Bennett to put an email together with dates and commitments required.	
	Melissa Ashton raised a question about children having days absent marked on their report card when they were at representative level sport. Dr Parry asked her to raise this issue with D Hayward outside this meeting. D Hayward will follow up on them marked absent from school.	
	D Hayward added that there were lots of transition events at this time. Dr Parry met with year 6 students before entering the Senior School. Year 6 students were attending mentor groups and had access to the canteen. Next week is "Step it Up Day" to experience what it is to be in the year ahead and creates some excitement.	
	Windermere is back, and so is Tim Harris. Swimming lessons and trials have started. Intensive program for Kindy to Year 2. Camps. Second face to face session covering the use of The Hub, D Hayward likes to hear what the experience is like. Lots of things going around in WhatsApp, P&F please direct people to The Hub and raise issues directly with the school.	
2.3	Treasurer's Report – J Balcomb	
	No change. Will see spending due to the Soiree. Reminders are being sent out for the Soiree – it's everywhere including Facebook and Boarders Page.	
	Fixed deposit doing well.	
	J Balcomb supports the Colour Run and maybe some smaller events.	
2.4	President's Report – S Glover	
	This might be last meeting for the year.	
	Two successful Fundraisers yielding \$34,105. With \$30,000 placed in a term deposit.	
	We look forward to giving back to the school community.	
	Huddle meet for reps and supper provided by P&F. Brain storming.	
	Super at the Junior School Performing Arts evenings.	
	Teacher Day – P&F doing a coffee cart thankyou A Bennett. Heartfelt thanks to the teachers, kids are doing amazingly well. We want to acknowledge efforts of the staff.	
	Soiree contribution instead of icebreakers.	
	Junior School Orientation on $4^{\rm th}$ Nov to be attended by O Jandera, L Lett and J Balcomb.	
	Senior School Orientation on 25^{th} Nov to be attended by S Glover, N Sweetapple, O Jandera and C Bligh.	



	Afternoon or morning tea for the new families on site for 2023. Talk about that later.	
2.5	Senior School Representative - N Sweetapple	
	Nothing to add.	
2.6	Junior School Representative – J Russell	
	Thank you to the Junior School. Welcome to O Jandera for Junior School Rep as well.	
	Year group reps being finalised. Baking for Teachers Day is going great. Fab Year 6 event happening after presentation day.	
	N Sweetapple will forward names for the Year 6 group moving into Year 7.	
	J Russell asked about P&F position roll over. S Glover added that as per the Constitution positions will be opened up again next year.	
2.7	Boarding Update – C Ivey	
	Opportunity for a get together when the boarding families drop their children off. Very important for the boarder community to mend together and it is going well.	
	S Glover suggested that an announcement might be made before the holidays.	
3.0	2023 FUNDRAISING	
3.1	Fundraising goal and target amount	
	Stretch target or conservative? \$30k or \$40k. The P&F is not primarily a fund-raising committee. Would suggest for \$30k? O Jandera and N Sweetapple gave support. Goal may be to help fund new AV equipment in the DPA? We will provide a contribution but not the entire amount. A Bennett understands the friend raising aspect of the P&F, passive income earner would be good to minimise burn out. Nice events.	
3.2	Fundraiser Event	
	Colour Fun Run. M Ashton would be happy to lead this. An event that connects the community from pre prep to year 12, with a fun run that is 200m in length - chalk, water, Third Party will run this and have a formula to guide the school and maximise the money raised. Family fun day, BBQ. Every child puts up an on-line profile, say what they are raising money from and are sponsored to take part in the event. Schools smaller than ours are raising \$100k. School Fun Run organiser does take 10% of profits, but provide a lot of support with couching and communications. Also, incentives kids to be motivate to help others, kids can win prizes when they met targets, classes will win prizes. Brings the whole school	



		J Russell asked how can new families best reach out to year group reps. J Divall has spoken to the admissions team and they will now put them new	
		Everyone to put the word out, even if we have 3 parents per year group. Get them to get in contact. Would like to firm up before the end of the year.	
	5.1	Year Group Reps 2023	
5.0		OTHER MATTERS	
		S Glover raised that J Divall was involved in the last KWS fare. Requires a lot of the Engagement staff.	
		N Sweetapple suggested getting some data.	
		Who has done that before? To assist with what has worked and not worked.	
		up and running this term. S Glover looking for people to get involved.	
		Well supported by school community in the last poll. Needs a committee	
	4.1	KWS Fair/Garden Party	
4.0		2023 FUNDRAISING	
		S Glover thanked M Ashton for her time and efforts on the Fun Run to date, and for offering to lead the event.	
		Colour Fun Run supported in principle subject to due diligence. 8 members voted yes, so further investigations will go ahead. S Glover will coordinate list of questions. Will have a circular email with the members of the meeting plus those that are absent.	
		M Ashton will schedule a call with School Fun Run. Communications would have to done before the holidays. Let's move to finalising details.	
		S Glover suggested that the committee get comfortable with terms and conditions of the provider.	
		L Lett is concerned about prizes for high school students.	
		N Sweetapple asked if we knew if the group take a flat fee? M Ashton says of 10% and 30% towards incentivizing. KWS gets 60%. A Bennett has run an event like this before, offered to help out and commented that they were very successful.	
		community together for a day to get out and get active. Week 6, Sunday 12 th March is the proposed date.	



	families in connect with the year group rep. J Russell suggest you reach	
	out to J Divall if you know of a new family. Thank you	
	to J Divall.	
5.2		
	Support for Orientation Events/Soiree & 2023 Icebreaker Commitment	
	Event dates of Feb 17 th February 2023 for Senior School Ice Breaker and	
	24 th February 2023 for Junior School Ice Breaker. P&F have traditionally	
	assisted with subsiding this event. However, contributed to Soiree instead	
	this year?	
	S Glover suggested that the P&F contribute \$15 per ticket for the	
	Icebreaker events, noting that the largest event we have had for whole	
	school had 400 attendees so everyone should be able to come if they	
	want to.	
	Vote for \$15 per ticket P&F contribution for Icebreaker in 2023 but no	
	P&F funding for the Soiree in 2023.	
	7 votes yes, 1 vote no – so vote passed.	
	J Balcomb mentioned that there should be a small cost to families so that	
	there is incentive to actually attend once the invitation has been	
	accepted.	
6.0	CLOSE	
	S Glover declared the meeting closed at 8.52pm	
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