

NORTH PERTH PS SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**Date Friday 1 April 2016, Meeting No. 2**

ATTENDEES: Kati Tonkin – Community Representative/Chairperson
 Victoria Bingham – Community Representative/Secretary
 Jane Forward – Parent Representative
 Anna Taylor – Parent Representative
 Brad Girando –Parent Representative
 Andrew Streeton – Staff Representative
 Karen Lockyer - Principal

	Welcome and apologies	ACTIONS
1.1	Opening and welcome; <i>The meeting was opened by Kati Tonkin at 7:31am Brad and Anna were formally welcomed and Jane was welcomed back to School Council</i>	
1.2	Apologies: Sharon Downsborough, Robyn Newman	
1.3	Confirmation of agenda <i>The Council confirmed the agenda.</i>	Confirmed
2.0	Disclosure of interest	
2.1	Nil disclosure.	Nil Disclosure
3.0	Minutes of previous meeting	
3.1	Kati presented to the Council the minutes of Meeting no.1, 2016 for approval. The changes to LOTE were clarified. The change in funding for LOTE was as a result of Student Centred Funding changes. LOTE is currently optional but as of 2018 it is a requirement. <i>The Council endorsed the amended minutes of Meeting no.1 as complete and accurate. Moved: Jane Seconded: Andrew</i>	Confirmed
3.2	Actions arising: i. Chaplaincy Laura-Celeste has returned to work and the School has been in contact. Slight adjustments have been made to the previous Tender policy and the Tender process has been delayed. The process is likely to be completed mid-term 2. OnPsych have indicated that they intend to apply for the new Tender. Staff employed by OnPsych will be endorsed by the Uniting Church but have no religious affiliation. ii. Vision and Values – signage update Design process is ongoing.	Ongoing Ongoing
4.0	Election of Chair and Secretary	
4.1	Kati Tonkin renominated for to the role of Chair for 2016. School Council endorsed her nomination. Victoria Bingham renominated for the role of Secretary for 2016. School Council endorsed her nomination.	Confirmed
5.0	Meeting Times	
5.1	Meeting time options were discussed. The option of varying times was tabled. Mornings, after-school and evening meeting times were discussed.	Confirmed

	Kati to circulate a poll to establish suitable meeting times.	
6.0	Resourcing and Budget 2016	
6.1	<p>The revised budget was tabled. The Student Centred Funding statement has been finalised by Head Office based on the Census information. Student and School characteristics have changed - Disability and Social disadvantage have been reduced. Universal access has decreased. Sporting Schools has increased. Operational response devices programme (for purchasing laptop computers) has been added.</p> <p>The carry-over amount for Salary was reduced. Expenditure has been reduced to balance this.</p> <p>The comparative report will be tabled at future meetings</p>	Ongoing
7.0	Homework Policy Review	
7.1	<p>The results of the Homework policy were tabled. The results indicate that most families are happy with the grid and the timings (approx. 75%). The key concern raised was that activities take longer than the allocated time. SC will group the written feedback and report back to parents.</p> <p>Further discussion needs to take place around the role of homework and the ability of families to opt in and opt out.</p> <p>The Ian Lillico 'Homework grid' philosophy was discussed and how the current NPPS grid aligns with the philosophy. The importance of reading was seen as key. The need to have homework tasks linking back to the classroom was seen as important. Homework as a means to support parent involvement in schooling and as a means of home-school communication was seen as very valuable. It was concluded that there is a need to clarify the NPPS Homework philosophy, particularly as it aligns with our values.</p> <p>The staff will review and develop a new grid format and policy. This will be presented to School Council for further discussion and endorsement.</p> <p>Discussion was had about hosting an information session for parents.</p>	Ongoing
8.0	IPS	
	Discussion was deferred to meeting no.3.	
9.0	Correspondence	
	Correspondence as tabled	
10.0	Next Meeting	
	<p>3/2016</p> <p>Agenda Items:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Budget 2016: final (for endorsement) • School Improvement Plan 2015-2016: report on progress • Homework Policy • IPS 	
9.0	Meeting close	
	<p>The meeting was closed at 8:42am.</p> <p>The next meeting date will be Wednesday 4th April at 5:30pm.</p>	

Signed _____

Date _____ -

