

Kangaroo Island Community Education Governing Council



Kangaroo Island
COMMUNITY EDUCATION

Meeting: Tuesday 18th June 2019, Kingscote Campus

Present: Maxine McSherry, Lois Wilson, Sara Hourez, Silke Krause, Elyssa Kreher, Peter Philp, Eliza Cruse, Brad Henley, Jenni Harris, Hannah Buick, Josh Keenan, Portia Holmes.

Apologies: Darren Keenan.

Ratification of previous minutes	The minutes from the previous meeting were circulated to all members. These were moved and accepted as accurate.	Previous minutes accepted. Moved: Maxine McSherry Seconded: Silke Krause
Business Arising		
Reports		
Principal's Report: Maxine McSherry	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Principal's reports from May and June circulated. - NAPLAN discussion, including feedback given by students about the testing program. - KICE is again a finalist in the Australian Education Awards, which is a great accomplishment for our school. - Charanga Music Program for teachers of R-4 classes, professional development run by staff from Instrumental Music in Adelaide. - Staff Training Day last week – a very successful day with very good feedback from teachers and SSOs. 	
Head of Campus: Peter Philp	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Report circulated. - Work experience and Careers Week occurred in Weeks 2 and 3. - NAPLAN completed. - Year 12 Outdoor Education Kayaking camp currently underway. - Kingscote Campus hosted the KICE Staff Training Day. - R-5 Senior Leader position has been externally advertised to fill until the end of the 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - year. - Cindy Lade (Reception teacher) is on leave for the first 7 weeks of Term 3, a replacement has been found and letters will be sent home soon to relevant parents. - Increasing TRT pool. - Looking at replacing playground equipment that has been decommissioned. - STEM facility is proving to be a great facility, constantly evolving. - Year 12s mentoring Receptions weekly, building relationships and fostering interdependence. - Grounds appearance has improved. Looking for corporate funding for the improvement to some spaces in the yard. - Think Tank program, one hour each Tuesday from 3-4pm, with students working on a variety of projects. - SAPSASA Netball and Football are on this week. 	
Finance: Jenni	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Canteen is just meeting budget. Sales a little down. - Consolidated doing better than budget at this stage. - Fundraising money has come in. - Debtors travelling as expected, Finance Officers at each campus are chasing debtors. - Debt collection motions presented to Governing Council. - Audit results received, unusually no criticism or improvements suggested by the auditor. - Submitted our Resources Plan, all funds from last year have been committed to the budget that Governing Council approved at the end of last year. 	<p>Motion is hereby placed before Kangaroo Island Community Education Governing Council that Debts as below from 2018, 2019 be sent to Debt Collection for recovery of those debts.</p> <p>19 families for an amount of \$10234 and 13 families for an amount of \$10355.40.</p> <p>Governing Council approves the write off of 6 family debts from 2016-2019 totaling \$4965.45 due to the debts not being recoverable.</p> <p>Moved: Lois Willson Seconded: Maxine McSherry</p>
Preschool Governing Council Minutes: Maxine	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Report circulated - Governing Council will decide closer to budget time about the preschool fees, which went up by 10% this year. - GC members asked about Pre-school days and numbers. - The new days for Pre-school have not had an impact on the bus run at this stage. 	
All reports received		<p>All reports received</p> <p>Moved: Elyssa Kreher Seconded: Maxine McSherry</p>
Correspondence		
General Business		

KICE Sporting calendar	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Letter received from Jane Roberts on behalf of the KICE Sports Committee in response to questions. 	See attachment
Conrad Tickner Pastoral Care Worker Review	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Review of the Pastoral Care Worker position is upcoming. - KICE, School Ministry Group and Department for Education fund the Pastoral Care Worker position. - Conrad attends camps, holds lunch time activities, supports student behavior, learning and wellbeing, outdoor activities including basketball and gardening. - Discussion held regarding the usefulness of this human resource, the Governing Council would like to see the position continue at KICE to support student, staff and school wellbeing. 	
Parndana Childcare	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - GC understands there is a need for childcare from Parndana and beyond, to the Western End. - A community committee was formed to look at solutions to this community issue. - The committee asked if the school would be able to offer Rural Care Program on the days that the Parndana Kindy was not being used. - School leadership team and GC Chair researched and decided that we are not able to provide the service (the service has requirements in excess of what we would be able to provide). - The school is open to negotiations and further discussion around the use of the Pre-school space by another agency. 	
Coffee Conundrum Feedback	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Management team at Coffee Conundrum responded to the feedback given by Governing Council. - Suggestions by the management team to have mugs available to make coffees in, given they are returned to the café, or to sell mugs to customers and incorporate them into the existing loyalty program. - Further suggestion made by Governing Council member to have people donate mugs. 	Josh to take back to the Café Committee.
Uniwise Visit	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Parndana Campus is hosting a visit from the Uniwise group in China. 29 students from students in Year 3-9. - Will spend 3.5 days at Parndana Campus. - Mornings will be intensive English lessons with Janet Pillar (EALD teacher) and Mandarin teachers Nicky Wells and Louise Latz, middle of the day working with students from Parndana, the afternoons will be cultural experiences. - Thursday Week 2 will be spent with some Parndana students and some of the leadership team to travel to Flinders Chase. - The Uniwise school is an Equine and Aquaculture Specialist School. - These global connections build on from the Korean Student Teacher visits at the beginning of last year. 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Governing Council members invited to be involved 	
Smith Bay Wharf / Bus Routes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Kangaroo Island Road Safety Committee and a parent contacted the school about what would happen to the bus routes if the Smith Bay Wharf plans go ahead. - The school have communicated concerns to the transport sector of the Department for Education, who have provided a formal response to the public consultation. <hr/> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Concern regarding children's safety with increase in vehicles (logging vehicles), and the decline in road integrity. - Public consultation period has closed. 	
Any other business		
Phones on camp	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Year 7 camp – letter stated what not to bring “Mobile phones” was listed, but student provided feedback saying most students had their mobile phones that were not taken off them. <i>Part of the experience of camp is that students are to be without their phones.</i> 	Maxine will follow up with Middle Years teachers.
Environmental ideas	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Rubbish is an issue around the yard, often picking up rubbish and bins are not sorted correctly. - Penneshaw send rubbish home with students, but this is manageable with a smaller number of students. - Environmental impact on our clean, pristine Island. - Sustainability focus with stakeholders from around the Island: beekeepers, rubbish collectors, Land for Wildlife. - <i>Many sustainability programs and curriculum links are occurring but it doesn't match what is happening in the yard at break times.</i> - <i>Response needs to be student driven – Senior Student Executive Team, Middle Years leadership group, Enviro Club in Primary Years.</i> - <i>Student suggestion to ask Tech students to create enclosures for soft plastic and green waste bins to go into the yard.</i> 	<p>Students to take issue to Student Executive for discussion.</p> <p>Peter to follow up suggestion for specific enclosures for soft plastics etc in preference to the temporary boxes.</p>
Student Newspaper	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Is there a Student Newspaper? - Student Executive is starting up a Senior Years newsletter. - Early and Middle Years contribute to the KICE or campus specific newsletters. 	
Music lessons	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Students are unaware of their lesson times. <i>Timetables are posted in each classroom.</i> - <i>Music staff are meeting with Executive Leadership to look at different options (e.g. fixed timetable or alternating weeks, rather than a rotating timetable)</i> - Also looking at different avenues for raising the profile of music (e.g. busking, performances at community events or places). - What are the consequences for not bringing musical instruments to lessons? 	<p>Executive Leadership will be meeting with Music staff at the upcoming EL meeting and will clarify some of these points.</p> <p>Music newsletter to be sent to all parents of music students.</p>

New wellbeing quote on steps at Kingscote Campus	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - A group of Year 12 Health students have created a quote design on the steps at Kingscote Campus to improve the wellbeing and sense of belonging/inclusivity at school. - Seeking feedback from parents about the impact of this initiative. Survey given to parents on Governing Council. 	
Buses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Query about bus breakdowns. - Ongoing difficulty that takes a lot of time to manage. - Buses are not fit for Kangaroo Island roads, so are constantly in a state of repair. - Communicated with the Transport Division of the Department for Education, exploration has occurred around privatization of the bus runs but this is not viable on Kangaroo Island. - Advert placed in the Islander for bus drivers, we do not have enough drivers and if someone is sick we are in danger of having to cancel a run. 	
Canteen	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Kingscote Canteen - specials have been implemented to entice people to the canteen, not quite meeting budget as mentioned in the Finance Report. Looking at more environmentally sustainable options for packing foods. Survey results from parent feedback told us that parents were unaware of the current menu options, so working on advertising as a solution. - Parndana Campus are not doing warm ups to the same extent anymore. Davo's Deli are getting many more orders now that the warming situations are not happening as they were before. 	Sustainable food packaging to be explored by canteen committee.
Meeting close: 8.06pm		
Next meeting: 13 th August 6.30pm at Parndana		

22/03/19

To the KICE Governing Council,

Thank you for the feedback in regards to our two major sporting events this term. Each year we aim to make the events better and welcome feedback in regards to the events.

You provided us with three points of feedback, which we have read and discussed. As you understand, the planning and running of these events takes a tremendous amount of time and energy and details from initial planning of times as well as the logistics on the day are not brushed off lightly.

Both events are run in Term 1 based on dates for nominations for state carnivals and the school swimming lesson timetable. Athletics Day is the main event run at a particular time due to the time constraint with both secondary and primary state carnivals requiring teams to be selected, and nominated, by a particular date. The Swimming Carnival is run directly after many students, especially most of the Year 4 and Year 5 students, complete their swimming lessons so that the skills they learnt and technical aspects of strokes are fresh in their brains.

In regards to the timing of the two events being within a week of each other, we do not believe that recovery is a relevant factor to consider. At most, a student will swim 300m at the Swimming Carnival, based on a student in the higher age group participating in all races and qualifying for finals. The day itself is quite tiring, however, it should not take a student longer than 24 hours to recover unless they have a medical condition.

We feel students are provided with plenty of preparation time for Athletics Day in their Health and Physical Education lessons in the lead up to the day. This includes all students receiving a timetable and map for their events. Younger students are given time to ask questions and class teachers, along with their HPE teacher, go through the expectations of the day in the lead up, as well as in the morning of the day. Many teachers also provide the students with a personalised list of their events. This year the KICE Sports Committee ensured that there were at least three staff members, including one Year 4/5 teacher, floating around the carnival with the job of helping out students. They were not rostered on events at any time and were accessible for students. House captains are also willing to answer questions on the day and are instructed to help younger students if they can.

Sun safety is always a concern at our major events and over the last few years we have focused on ensuring that this continues to improve. Sunscreen is on offer for students throughout the day and it is their responsibility to use it. Shade is also provided and each year we continue to add more options for shade. This will be something that we will address again in the preparation for the 2020 KICE Athletics Carnival. As our own reflection on the day, we have already planned some changes to the times of finals to ensure there is less waiting time for students.

We thank you for your feedback and we will continue to work as a team to improve each of these events.

Warm Regards,
Jane Roberts on behalf of KICE Sports