



## **SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

**Tuesday August 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2023**

**Staffroom at 6.00pm**

**1. Welcome – Attendance**

**2.** Gene VanderZalm, Katrina Benson, Brad Kijlstra-Shone, Rebecca Browne, Peter Harris, Katrina Markley, Jack Piper, Tamara Symington

**3. Apologies**

**4.** Kate Thomas, Andrew Watt, Sarah Mitchem,

Has everyone read the agenda? Yes

Please indicate if you believe you have a conflict of interest in regard to any agenda items.

**3 Minutes of Previous Meeting**

*Motion: That the minutes of the previous meeting, as circulated, be accepted.*

*Moved: Katrina Markley Seconded: Jack Piper*

**4. Business Arising**

*Nil*

**5. Receive Other Items of General Business (School Operations)**

**6. Correspondence:**

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- New TikTok Restrictions: Remove TikTok from all department devices.
- Stony Creek Race Club: Develop a community fund and donate \$5,000 to the school each year. There are concerns that the Racing Club is a gambling industry and does that line up with our schools' values. Money is planned to be used for a welfare basis to help students to go on camp.

**7. Reports – All Attached**

- Finance – As tabled: After school care needs to be returned.
- Principal's Report (including grounds report)
- Curriculum Report – Peter Harris

*Motion: That School Council move \$41,782.45 payments be endorsed made up of Direct Deposits Payments of \$40,662.63 and Local Payroll Payments of \$1,119.32. That transfers of \$30,000 from High Yield Account to Official Account be ratified and all presented reports accepted as a true and correct depiction of the Meeniyah Primary School finances for the month of July 2023. Cash balance includes \$7,694.01 being held for Corner Inlet Sports Cluster. Moved: Brad Kijlstra-Shone Seconded: Katrina Benson For: 8 Against: 0 Carried: Y*

**8. General Business:**

**8.1** Policy Updates: Sun Protection Policy: there is a thought that we phase out the bucket hat to wide brimmed hats only. Also to make sure we are more active in encouraging families coming into school and external events being sunsmart.

Mobile Phone: Update to treat mobile phones and smart watches the same and not to be used on school premises 8:15am-4pm. If parents need to contact kids they are to do so through the office.

**8.2** Toilet Update: We had people come to talk the set up. 120 days needed to prefab so will hopefully have over Summer Holidays. One crew will demolish in December and the other crew will set up in Jan. They will provide portaloos if needed.

- 8.3 Naplan Data: We are slightly higher than our network in reading year 3, we are around the same mark with writing but slightly lower than network, numeracy we are slightly higher than network. Year 5 reading is on par with network, spelling and writing is significantly low. We will investigate more but considering that year 5 writing is typed not hand written. Numeracy is slightly lower to network but may be on the up.  
Numeracy data has picked up significantly. Which is great.
- 8.4 Connect Group: The school has been approached to provide 50 volunteers to run the activities for the Garlic Festival each for 1-2hr shifts on the 18<sup>th</sup> of February. The school will receive \$5,000 for doing this. We will try to rally volunteers before the end of term.

9. **Volunteer to write SC report for newsletter:** Katrina Markley

10. **Signing of Documents**

11. **Next Meeting** – Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> October @ 6pm

**Signed:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Kate Thomas, President**

**Signed:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Gene VanderZalm, Principal**