Bowral Public School, School Council

Minutes – 22\textsuperscript{nd} June, 2015

Open: 5.30pm

Attendees: Rebecca Greer, Cassy Lyttle, Greg Thompson, Wendy Buckley, Nicole Smith, Steven Foster, Meredith Wakeman, Virginia Pridham

Apologies: Charles Dowe, Colleen Matthews

Absent: John Klepczarek

Previous Minutes: Accepted Steven Forster; Seconded Virginia Pridham

Business arising from previous minutes: Nil

Correspondence: Nil

Financial Report: Not available. Financial position healthy; funds will be all allocated before financial year end (Nov 30).

Principal’s Report:

- **Parent Profiles** – P&C Committee members are all now on the school website with profiles. School Council to be photographed at the next meeting by Steven Forster.
- **Market Tender/licence** – a new contract will be issued rather than a tender process. Price increase of 4.5% is necessary.
- **Homework Survey** – has been written. To be sent to parents very early next term.
- **Parent/teacher interviews** – parent body desire formal parent/teacher interviews. Wendy aware of time poor teaching staff. Question will be added to Sentiment Survey.
- **Chaplaincy update/Links to Learning** – continues to be well received within the school. Wendy has been successful in gaining a grant from Links to Learning for children needing help with transition to high school.
- **Ethics** – each stage has access to Ethics class.
- **NCCD – National Collection of Consistent Data** – BPS was a pilot school. Collect of data for all children with extra needs in the classroom.
- **Emergency Drill** – to be done this week.
- **Growing enrolments** – numbers 560; anticipated to grow to 569 next term.

- **P&C Report** –
- **Working bee**, umbrellas, voluntary contributions (unclear whether payment can be made online), online ordering for canteen and uniform shop still being discussed. Potentially trialling Schools 24 system. Trivia Night planning has commenced – 15/8 is date set at this stage.

General Business –
• **Building** – Building design has been submitted to council for approval. Still have 8 classrooms; challenges have been juggling the movement of demountables. Wendy spent time at the Farmers Markets talking to market goers about plans. Only one ‘hostile’ party, mainly positive feedback. Plans should take 6-8 weeks at Council. A section will be created on the school website to keep the community updated on the progress of the building. New classrooms will be used by the senior students once completed as they are the group most disrupted during the process.

• **BPS** – reserve champion in NSW Interschool Equestrian Championships.

• **Parent Sentiment Survey** will be sent out early next term. Discussion around adding Homework Survey to the Parent Sentiment Survey.

• **Next Meeting 17/08/15 at 5.20pm**

Meeting Closed – 6.35pm