Meeting opened at 6pm

Present:

Anne Whale, Narelle McCain, Jo Crouch, Shelley Ashton, Poppy Kostantakis, Pip Hooper, Sue Szalay

Apologies:

Kathy Stevenson
Soula Tsilimos

Minutes from the last meeting:

Accepted by Poppy
Seconded by Sue

PRINCIPAL’S REPORT – delivered by Anne Whale as Anne Hewson is on leave

1. Anne Hewson is on leave at present
2. Cement Slab laid outside the Performing Arts Room – take 13 weeks to cure
3. SRC raised $765 with Exhibition
4. Stewart house envelopes sent
5. Sth Hurstville RSL has donated some books to the school
6. Sporting trials for district teams taking place for netball and softball
7. Cross Country is scheduled for 20th May
8. Yrs 4,5,&6 Gymnastic Program in Week 3
9. OC Applications have gone home
10. Walk to School National Day happening on 7th May – stickers have been given out.
11. Naplan Testing happening this week

Matters for Discussion

1. BUILDING THE EDUCATION REVOLUTION PROGRAM (BER) Progress

Anne updated the meeting on this program.

School Council requested an update from Anne Hewson on the submission to have the library and 2 rooms back to classrooms.
Rooms are apparently not to code so we may have an issue in reconfiguring.
2. **Building Fund Drive**

Sue recommended a Building Fund Fundraising Drive before the end of the Financial Year as anyone who donates can claim a tax deduction.

It was advised that we are quite clear in our communication to the school community as to what we are raising funds for – in the past we have raised monies but have not been able to commit the funds to the projects as initially thought and we have not always communicated outcome to community.

All agreed that the purpose of the Fundraising Drive would be to raise monies to complete the structural work required in D Block to return rooms back to their original functionality.

Sue to write the fundraiser request and send to committee for sign-off.

3. **Overheating of Kindy Rooms**

Poppy presented a solution for the overheating issue:

Solaguard Window Tinting. At $55m2 installed it seems a cost effective solution to getting a 50-80% reduction in heat in the rooms.

School Council requested that followup is undertaken covering the following:

1. Cost to do all the Kindy rooms – quote required – Poppy to followup
2. What additional rooms need to also be factored in to this quote – Poppy and Jo to determine
3. What is guarantee on the product – Poppy to followup
4. Could we check the reflection from the playground – it was suggested that as Mater Dei School has just had this installed, we should go and review the reflection. Poppy to organize to do this.

All agreed that we should move forward.

On receipt of final quote and if we are satisfied with reflection issues, then Sue to take to P&C to confirm they are in agreement with the solution put forward.

Pip suggested that we should also get a quote to install Whirlybirds on the roof of each classroom to add to the solution. Pip to follow-up.

4. **Environmental Club Update**

Club looking to establish a Vegie Garden on School Grounds. Frank reviewing where we can put some raised garden beds.

We have identified a family company offering free services to set up Vegie Gardens in schools – this to be investigated further.

Suggested Fundraiser – Seedlings

Suggestion that we identify if any of the Commercial Community Grants can be applied for e.g. BP or Woolworths
5. **School Council Positions**

August 2007 was first meeting of current committee members
We will notify community that positions will become available in August 2011.
At the same time we will notify the community that Pip's position will become available early 2011.

Elections for standard positions will be held in 2nd term 2011.

**Next Meeting**

To be held Monday 21st June 2010

Additional dates for this year:

Monday 26th July 2010
Monday 8th November 2010

Meeting Closed at 7.20pm