



WONGAN HILLS DISTRICT HIGH SCHOOL

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Subject	School Council Meeting
Time	6.00pm
Date	Monday, 19 June 2023
Location	School Library
Chair	Renae Millstead
Present	Fiona Yeats, Sian Whitfield, Natalie Read, Sara Betty, David Sinclair, Leanne Bradford, Danelle Hasson, Renae Millstead, Dillan Elliott, Meagan Pontifex, Tanya Johns, Sacha Lupton
Apologies	Aleisha Coad

Time	Item	Documents	Purpose	Led by	Recommendations
6.03pm	<b>Welcome</b> <i>Includes introductions, apologies and noting of minutes of last meeting. Correspondence in and out, conflicts of interest.</i>		Approved (minutes)	Renae Millstead	Minutes of the Meeting held 22/5/2023 are endorsed
6.06pm	<b>Behaviour Policy Review</b>	Fiona sought feedback from the Council regarding the current Behaviour Management Policy. This resulted in a very lengthy conversation that covered all areas from managing behaviour in classrooms to suspensions. The key points from this conversation were that there is limited understanding in the parent group about how the Behaviour Management Policy applies and what it means in practical day to day terms, that what all parents want and expect isn't the same which is a challenging aspect of this area, communication to parents is key including how behaviour management will play out in practical terms, there seems to be a discrepancy between some aspects of the current policy and what is actually occurring. Fiona acknowledged that this is an issue. It was acknowledged the school 'won't always get it right' as they can only go on the information available at the time and it isn't always accurate. In the revised policy WHDHS is intending to move towards restorative justice practices which is the current best practice based on evidence - this will mean that the children must be brought into the process more in an attempt to have them recognise the impact of their actions and learn better ways to manage other challenging situations in the future. Whilst this currently often happens now, this will be a requirement.	Informed	Fiona Yeats	
7.03pm	<b>Q&amp;A</b>	Fiona provided Council members with the opportunity to ask any questions they may have regarding the school. Questions asked addressed the areas of start times, the school's overall performance level, current maths programs, homework expectations, bullying and the use of the term, knowledge about the school's available resources and the use of the school's mobile number. It was an informative session and Council members would highly encourage all parents to ask any questions that they may have no matter how specific or general as an informed parent group is beneficial to the school as a whole.	Informed and discussed	Fiona Yeats	
7.29pm	<b>Parent/Teacher Meetings - Term 3</b>	Two options presented - can either hold Parent/Teacher interviews at beginning or end of Term 3. In light of proposed change in 2024 general consensus was to remain the same in 2023 as previous years.	Informed	Fiona Yeats	

7.34pm	2024 Plan for Parent/Teacher Meetings	Proposal to alter Parent/Teacher Interviews in 2024. In Term 1, hold class meetings in Week 2 as previously occurred then hold Parent/Teacher interviews mid term to ensure any early issues identified and parent/teacher relationship established (Kindergarten would be earlier). In Term 3 Week 8 hold further Parent/Teacher interviews to allow for any issues arising from Semester 1 reports to have been addressed. School will finish not close at 12 noon and meetings will occur through the afternoon. All interviews will be booked through office or an online app. Council agreed with proposal.	Informed	Fiona Yeats	
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7.39pm	Public School Review Process	Fiona explained that there is still not a date scheduled. She went into further detail to explain that there are 6 domains under which WHDHS will be reviewed. Three options for when next review is required 1, 3 or 5 years. There will be 2 assessors - a Director of School Review and another Principal likely from a DHS. Fiona will advise when date is scheduled.	Informed	Fiona Yeats	
7.47pm	Principals Report	Fiona presented her Principal's Report, it addressed the following issues: staffing challenges, recent events including Movie Night, Biovac Camp changes, class structures for 2024, review of school report remarks highlighting a correlation between low attendance and achievement, changes to Naplan reporting and School Culture Survey.	Noted	Fiona Yeats	
7.57pm	Finance Report	Fiona presented the report and drew Council's attention to any areas that were of interest.	Noted	Fiona Yeats	
8.17pm	Meeting Evaluation	General consensus was that lots of open agenda items required lengthy conversations and in future they will be limited to one per meeting where possible. The 6.00pm start time was not preferred by most so we will revert back to a 6.30pm start time.		Renae Millstead	
8.23pm	Close	Closed 8.23pm		Renae Millstead	

Chairperson  
Renae Millstead

Principal  
Fiona Yeats

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