WONGAN HILLS DISTRICT HIGH SCHOOL
PARENTS & CITIZENS ASSOCIATION

AGM MINUTES

Followed by a General Meeting

WHDHS P&C Association

Monday 17th February 2025 @ 7.00pm

Present: Lorrice Richards, Georgie Sadler, Peter Whitfield, Fiona Yeats, Melissa Whyte, Lorriane Lobo, Alex Martin, Sam Hawkins, Karen Box

Apologies: Nil

PREVIOUS MINUTES

- The previous minutes from 12th February 2024 (AGM) & 21st October 2024 tabled by Lorrice.

Business Arising:

Motion: That the minutes as presented are a true and correct record
Moved: Georgie Sadler **Seconded:** Fiona Yeats **Motion Carried**

CHAIRPERSONS REPORT

Chairperson's report presented by Peter Whitfield.
Thankyou to all the office-bearers of 2024.
Has really enjoyed his time on P&C in the role as President.
Has been involved with large projects over the years – bring water down, and furniture

FINANCIAL REPORT & FUNDING REQUESTS

Current balance – $16390.23

Motion: That the Treasurer's Report is adopted as a true and correct record.
Moved: Georgie Sadler **Seconded:** Mel Whyte **Motion Carried**

ELECTIONS – ALL POSITIONS VACANT

Chairperson	**Mel Whyte**	nominated by	**Karen Box**	Seconded	**Lorriane Lobo**
Vice Chairperson	Vacant				
Secretary	**Lorrice Richards**	nominated by	**Karen Box**	Seconded	**Lorriane Lobo**
Treasurer	**Georgie Sadler**	nominated by	**Lorrice Richards**	Seconded	**Karen Box**
Uniform Shop Coor.	**Sam Hawkins**	nominated by	**Mel Whyte**	Seconded	**Georgie Sadler**
Catering Coordinator	Vacant				

APPOINTMENTS – ALL POSITIONS VACANT

Appointment of Auditor	**Alex Martin**	Moved	**Karen Box**	Seconded	**Mel Whyte**
Appointment of YouthCARE Rep	**Karen Box**	Moved	**Mel Whyte**	Seconded	**Lorrice Richards**

Delegates to WACSSO Conference: Mel Whyte, Sam Hawkins, Lorrice Richards, 1 School Board Rep

Appointment of Parent Representatives

Kindy	Amelia Bendotti	
PP/1	Raelene Goulden	Koolbardi
1/2	Lorrice Richards	Kwelina 1
3	Kady Forsyth	Yaakan 3
4/5	Chantelle Freestone	Maali 6
5/6	Meagan Pontifex	Yonyka 8
7/8	Nyssa Freestone	
9/10	Karen Box	
11/12	Lorraine Lobo	

End of AGM, Continuation with General Meeting.

CORRESPONDENCE

Incoming

Outgoing

UNIFORM SHOP REPORT

All orders have been through Sportspower Northam, 1.5 – 2 week turnaround
Exploring ideas for long sleeve shirt option

CATERING REPORT

Profit last year from catering was $7885.45
Had plenty of helpers, Especially Georgie Sadler, Kady Forsyth and Lorrice Richards

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

The hard work done collectively by staff last year is paying off. The efforts to improve consistency of practice and routines meant that the first week was incredibly smooth. A classic example of this is we already have the Yr 1s from Koolbardi coming to the big school for lunch by themselves if they want to. The rest of Koolbardi are so good that we are looking to bring them all up much earlier than we have in the past.
Student numbers are greater than last year, our greatest gains have been in Year 11/12, with more than 5 new enrolments since the middle of Term 4. We have also seen bigger enrolments that usual from our group of feeder primary schools. The downside of that is not everybody who wants to come to Wongan Hills DHS from Calingiri or Yerecoin can fit on the bus as all primary students on that bus from those towns are complementary.
Mocardy dam still has low capacity, and we are back to watering the oval from scheme water as of 23 Jan. 12 months of scheme water v Mocardy dam is an approx. difference of $100,000. Think of that as 3 days a week of teacher time, or more than a full time EA being employed.
After much discussion, and I have to admit it goes against my usual position on this, we see that one area that P&C might like to focus on for fundraising is to put split systems in all of our classrooms. This needs to be done via Dept of Finance to ensure they will continue to cover maintenance costs in years to come. Our thought would be to start from Kindy and work up, doing 1 or 2 a year, with the school contributing to this as well. My angst in regards to this is that air con replacement is a capital expenditure, which is supposed to be provided by Dept of Finance, schools are not funded to cover capital expenditure. But given the heat of last year and early January, on those really hot days it is not an optimal learning environment. The further complexity is one which I cannot mention here as the government is in caretaker mode.
We continue to push our boundaries and try a few new things here and there around the school. The modified swimming carnival being one such example. Delivering swimming lessons last year was a real challenge, and is not a sustainable option. If there are any parents interested, please consider completing this training to earn some money on the side. It is not just our school that does lessons at our pool. And, it is not sustainable releasing teachers to complete swimming lessons.
I think we have a way to go with opportunities for parents to participate more in school activities. Maybe art, music or phys ed are your thing and you might want to volunteer in your child's class for an hour a week to help out. Especially phys ed, one more adult means students can double to number of practices they get to do in a lesson as we can make groups smaller. Please encourage parents to approach us if they are interested.
Thank you to the outgoing committee, I always worry when some long term committee members leave, just in case we don't have people to replace them. I would hate to see our P&C fold and all the funds go to nearby schools or back to WACCSO. Our P&C contribute an awful lot to our school, including the benefit of camp fundraising being done via P&C and not through the school. The financial implications if it is run on our books is incredibly painful. Special mention to Peter Whitfield for his years of service on our P&C, I reckon this time might really be his last.

GENERAL BUSINESS

Internet Banking
Lorrice Richards moved a motion to add Mel Whyte to internet banking and remove Peter Whitfield
Georgie Sadler seconded the motion
Carried

Peter Whitfield
Mel – huge thankyou to Peter Whitfield for his calmness, Leadership, and Contribution over the many years being involved in P&C

Polling Booth
Peter was approached about doing a sausage sizzle at the polling booth on 8th March. Mel suggested this will be a good fundraiser for Year 6 Camp. Mel to approach David Sinclair as the meeting for fundraising is only a few days prior.

Time of Meeting
Mel suggested that change of time of our meetings as 7pm is currently not working. We will try this year with 6pm and then reassess.

Eftpos
We have purchased a Square Device – which we can use at fundraising events like sausage sizzles, and football meals as well as at the uniform shop.

Fundraising
Year 6 Camp & Countryweek Fundraising ideas to be under the P&C banner
Sausage Sizzle
Money Boards/Lucky Numbers
Catering
Sunday Sport Dinner
Cake Stall
Easter Raffle/Chocolates
Mothers Day Stall
Containers for Change

Moon & Back
Mothers Day Stall
Karen & Mel mentioned we hold a stall before school or during lunch and then on the Saturday morning infront of IGA
Mel to coordinate and liaise with Fiona for stall dates/times.

Fundraisers
Fundraisers we could do for P&C as a whole – for Air Cons in class rooms
Glowstick Party
Cookie Dough
Fairytales & Ponytails
Colour Fun Run

CBH Grant – Grass Roots
$20,000 – eligible project – Aircons
Lorriane to write the grant

Student Numbers
Student numbers are looking really good this year with new enrolments still coming in – expected 200-210 by end of term 1

Limesand
Ask Auhls Transport if they can cart Limesand – 1 Trailer for now

NEXT MEETING DATES

The next meeting will be Monday 17th March, 2025 at School Library, 6pm

TOPIC OF INTEREST FOR NEXT MEETING - *Tbc.*

The meeting closed at 8.50 pm

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Chairperson

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Secretary

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Date