



**MANLY VALE PUBLIC SCHOOL
Parents & Citizen Association**

**MINUTES OF GENERAL MEETING
Tuesday 10th September 2024**

Principal	Tina Lee
President	Chris Nicholls
Vice President	John Gillings
Vice President	Mutt Lutze
Secretary	Xara Roznerski
Treasurer	Peter Weatherston
Assist Treasurer	Ian Warren

Attendance: Michelle Thomason, Becky McGowan, Wendie McDougall, Kate Williams, Amy Hansen, Matt Lutze, Holly Fellows, Chris Nicholls, Terri Eves, Naomi Kiarie

Apologies: Xara Roznerski, Peter Weatherston, Jane Ellis, John Gillings

Membership:

Minutes of the General Meeting held on 30th July 2024

Approval of Minutes Motioned: Tina Lee Seconded: Matt Lutze

Action Arising from Previous Meeting:

- Hamish to share website fees and confirm handover from Shay (*carried over*)
- Pete to pay Ruimei \$5000 (2023, 2024) Tina to put 2023's \$5000 towards computer fund
- Chris to look further into microphones for Choir (*Looking further into microphones for Choir – discussed with an AV guy at his school about having a couple of microphones at the front of the stage and a couple at the back of the stage. Will have further discussion to come up with a plan and costing.*)
- Xara to work on the constitution and add in voted on payments to sports and arts (*carried over*)

Other Business

- Quiet room suggestion in office (*carried over*)
- Second bbq question (*BBQ – collapsed when it was returned post Fathers day breakfast. Can we buy a second one for the school. It was agreed that we would price one up.*)
- Karen Lucey presenting “the anxiety project” (*Anxiety Project overview: Karen presented what the project is about, how it will work, training the teachers have received etc and why it is being implemented – task avoidance, school avoidance and attendance issues. It is for kids with general anxiety not for diagnosed MH issues. It is designed to help build resilience. Term 3 role out to students. Term 4 role out parent coaching sessions*)
- Be Centre – do we want do a fundraising day for them. *Offer has not been taken up because we have the Anxiety project.*

REPORTS:

Treasurer:

We have just paid a large amount to the school for some of the approved expenditure items.

I've left a note re the instruments 5k but this is just an admin fix, nothing has changed and we still pay 5k per year as a donation for instruments (which I have now transferred).

As I have just paid 50k, the bank balance has dropped but we still have \$140k (excluding band) with just over \$90k in approved expenditure so we are almost exactly on target.

I've dropped the amount we expect to rise this year to 25k which is for Trivia night - I don't have any insight on how much we can expect to raise - just trying to be prudent.

Of the items in "Approved Expenditure", we can pay these whenever we get an invoice for this though as per prior meets, its likely we will hold on to the computer fund cash until this is needed, and also some are likely not needed yet (e.g. oval maintenance).

I've left in fundraising summary for this year and a comparison to last year but I expect Amy will talk to this to confirm the fathers day success. We are around the same level of fundraising to last year.

I do need some event details for the insurance for trivia night so noting here as a reminder to the organising team (Amy and Michelle).

Manly Vale Public School P&C Inc. Treasurers Report 10-Sep-24

Total in bank account	189,364
Excluding Band a/c (ring-fenced)	140,426

Approved expenditure (not yet paid)

Oval maintenance at year end	(5,000)	<i>Notes</i>
Contribution to computer fund FY23	(50,000)	
Contribution to computer fund FY23 and FY24	(30,000)	\$30k skipathon (50k less 20k paid in sept 24)
Contribution to Library for Sarah Garland audit x 2	(200)	
Teachers Christmas party	(1,000)	
Additional Maths resources	(5,000)	
Playground equipment replacement	(2,000)	

(93,200)

Net of approved expenditure	47,226
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Historic target float/balance (prudent)	50,000
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Available to spend immediately	- 2,774
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Expected remaining fundraising this year	25,000
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Total available to spend this year	22,226
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Requested expenditure

Notes

Total requested expenditure	-
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2024 expenditure to date

Band instruments FY23+FY24	(10,000)	
Hospitality	(800)	
Maths resources	(10,000)	
English resources	(15,000)	
Science resources	(15,000)	
Insurance	(1,953)	
Sports representation contribution	(500)	
Gym mats for high jump plus stand	(7,384)	
Stage 3 Spheros	(6,000)	
Edu marketing for playground	(9,700)	
Choir	(1,500)	
Stage 2 literacy resources	(600)	
Kindergarten home readers	(5,000)	
Wellbeing/anxiety Project	(5,000)	
Stage 2 percussion	(630)	
Computers fund	(20,000)	Invoice for 15k - admin fix
Misc gifts	(300)	
Total Expenditure to date	(109,367)	

Principal:

P&C Meeting -10 September 2024

A very busy term with a lot of events. Thank you to all the parents and community members that have supported Education, Open day, Book week, Science week expo afternoon, Dancesport spectacular, Choir and band performances and concerts, Father's Day breakfast, SASS week etc. Thank you to our wonderful P&C and the Class Coordinator network, that bring the community together. It's been a busy and wonderful term of get together. We have also had many academic events including the On Your Soap Box competition, Spelling been debating interschool competitions, Athletics carnivals, OC tests, author talks and visits from guest speakers including a Paralympian. A great term for the students but also exhausting.

Primary Principal Day -2 August

Thank you so much for the beautiful hamper the P&C sent to school for that Friday assembly. Very generous and I felt very special.

World Teachers Day- October 25, 2024 (Friday)

P&CC usually support this day with a gesture. Last year we bought the umbrellas. Not sure if you have any ideas for this year? Morning tea? Lunch?

WhatsApp groups

I won't be intervening with WhatsApp group discussions. I don't support this communication in our school community. The forum for concerns is the P&C meetings and discussions with teachers.

Accidents and Injuries-2024

We have had a lot of accidents, broken bones and injuries this year. It has been very difficult to manage students on crutches and wheelchairs, and there is a trend that students are being sent to school without any medical communication regarding adjustments that need to be made to support a student with an injury. Medical plans and support staff need to be applied and therefore parents cannot be sending students with crutches etc without medical information. This term alone we have had a child have a stroke on the way to school. Concussion, bike and car accident. We have had 2 students on wheelchairs/ scooters, 4 on crutches with another 3 turning up this week, and many in boots and casts. Please be aware that school have a lot of students to deal with, so it is important that the school is notified of accidents and accompanying information is sent from a doctors. Hiring crutches from chemists is not supported at this school. Too many stairs and it becomes more dangerous for our students.

Kindergarten 2025

Now have 54 students enrolled for kindergarten 2025. The numbers are slowly increasing. It looks like we will be making the same number of classes throughout the school again next year and keeping class sizes small where we can. School Tour is on Thursday 19 September (next week).

Kindy Orientation dates:

Monday 21 October- 9.15am-11am

Tuesday 29 October 11.30am-12.45pm

Wednesday 6 November 1.45pm-2.45pm

Wednesday 6 November- Wine and Cheese night- P & C hosted from 6-8pm.

Kindy picnic- Manly Dam- Friday 22 November- 9.30am-11.30am

Need P&C volunteers and presence for the Wine and Cheese night.

End of Term

Tina away for the last week of this term and the first week back of next term. Long Service Leave. Mrs Oscroft will be principal with Mrs Blackband and Mrs Birrell stepping in to the Deputy Role.

Tuesday 24 September- Stage 2 Hip Hop showcase.
Friday 27 September- Banner assembly 9am hall

2025 Staff Development Days

Term 1- (1 day) Friday 31 January SDD- school led PL

Term 2- (2 days) Monday 28 April and Tuesday 29 April

Term 3- (1 day) Monday 21 July

Term 4- No SDD- School ends for teachers and students on Friday 19 December

High school consultation- Co Ed opportunities

Don't forget to have your say in the community consultations relating to educational offerings for Years 7-12 in the Northern Beaches. The survey consultation period concludes on Friday 20 September. You can access the short survey via this link – please only complete the survey once. Surveys are confidential and cannot be used to identify any individual.

Spending Priorities (to be voted on):

President:

OSCH:

All is well and we have nothing specific to report at this stage of the term.

Canteen:

Thank you to Amy for helping out with communication re volunteers for canteen. SRC have requested a slushy machine for all of term 4. Becky has said it is ok nutritionally. P&C are happy to trial it with the correct communication to parents. Becky is waiting on further information from the kids before implementing it.

Uniform Shop:

Wendy is losing 2 of her 3 volunteers for next year – Dahni and Shay. Kindy orientation is coming up, so the packs are all being made up. Will open on the night of the cheese and wine night 6/11 – needs volunteer. Sales are down from last year – but no back to school vouchers this last year. Need to start getting in stock for kindys

Band:

No report

Cafe Owl:

Really busy :)

Class Coordinator:

Everything is going well.

Cupcake Stall was a success considering the weather, much better only having two years baking. Raised \$1,585.

The Fathers Day Bbq was an overall success. Raised just over \$3,700. Areas to look at next year would be to put Raffle online to maximise sales (very time consuming filling out the raffle tickets) and possibly the P&C purchasing a second bbq. A big thank you to all the parents who helped volunteer for these fundraisers, plus school staff (particularly Barry) who helped.

I have touched base with Michelle, things are moving along well with Trivia Night. Tickets go on sale this Friday on Flexischools.

Trivia Night:

Everything on track. Good donations

Neurodiverse Parent Support Group: (not here)

Social catch up 11/8

Another session 30/10

Mtg closed at: 8:55

Next Meeting

29th October 2024 7pm

Actions:

- More information about choir microphones
- Xara to work on the constitution
- Hamish to share website fees and confirm handover from Shay
- BBQ discussion
- Quiet Room suggestion
- Insurance details for Trivia Night for Peter
- Pam – there is an old safe in the staff room – do we want it or can a staff member have it?