



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

**MINUTES OF GENERAL MEETING  
Tuesday 19th March 2024**

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

**Attendance:**

Michelle Thomason, Tina Lee, Stephen Delaney, Matt Lutze, Ian Warren, Naomi Kiarie-gichanja, Amy Hansen, Kate Williams, Chris Nicholls, Xara Roznerski, John Gillings, Peter Weatherston, Tina Lee, Kaisa Nieminen

**Chair:** Chris Nicholls

**APOLOGIES**

Wendy, Becky

**Minutes of the General Meeting held on 20/02/2024**

Approval of Minutes                      Motioned: Tina Lee                      Seconded: John Gillings

**Action Arising from Previous Meeting:**

- Tina to follow up on shelf for Wendie **(done)**
- Peter to talk with Tina about potential reader reimbursement **(have established that both 2023 and 2024 have now been invoiced and 2023 paid)**
- Discuss spending priorities not discussed **(carry over a few)**
- Discuss highlighted class coordinator report **(discussed in class coordinator report)**
- Tina to take back to SRC to see if putting eligibility sign works for them for updating superkid value **(done)**
- Tina to look into what anaphylactic parents would like in terms of safeguarding the kids. **(still to follow up)**

**Correspondence In and Out: N/A**

**MEMBERSHIP:**

Michelle Thomason, Naomi Kiarie-gichanja

## **REPORTS:**

### **Principal:**

1. Spending priorities- The P&C has been invoiced for alleged spending from 2023?
2. School fees have dropped this year. We have taken out the Stationery Packs and tried to lighten the expense on parents. User pays activities including PSSA, Zone representation etc still need to be passed onto parents of those students.
3. Feedback from last meeting- Chess club up and running on Fridays.
4. Swimming pool carnival 2025- hiring the smaller pool could be an option or providing a water day back at school. The committee is going to investigate the booking situation first and then make the decision.
5. Band- Successful elections and all positions were filled. A very active and enthusiastic group of parents. We will have band camp this year and Band Tour next year. They appreciate the donation of \$5000 from P&C and will invoice you soon.
6. Year 5 and 6 surf-ed days- a great success. Only opportunity for some students to learn those necessary skills. What do parents think?
7. Class Coordinator meeting- went very well and every class has a coordinator.
8. Buses- the Director Julie Kennedy has been asked to survey the local principals on our problems with the buses. She has a large report to submit to Murat Dizdar.
9. Programs and focus areas for 2024- well being.

- The Anxiety project and peer support
- New curriculum and explicit teaching
- Collaborative enquiry and Learning Walks- Tina and Sharon
- Community Connection - workshops- literacy, numeracy, Neurodiversity, links to manly Dam catchment committee, Balgowlah RSL, Local AECG, Interrelate parent evening

### **President:**

Lovely, flowery words from Chris as always. Ever the cheerleader. Happy to just be in the team.

### **OSHC:**

Non Attendance

### **Treasurer:**

Not shared.

### **Canteen:**

Canteen is going well. Waiting for SRC feedback on proposed items available for canteen vouchers. Proposed items were Quelch, canteen made ice block, Anzac, Popcorn, Frozen fruit cup  
Amount to be reimbursed would increase to \$1.50 per voucher (by the school)

### **Uniform Shop:**

Everything is running smoothly in Uniform Shop. I am getting winter stock in and winter uniform sales have started. Sales so far this year is \$15,695 .Current Stock on Hand \$26,241. I will be away for four days 2nd to the 5th April and have asked Shay Gillings to do orders for us.

### **Band:**

Non Attendance

### **Cafe Owl:**

Discussion about volunteers and needing to follow up on volunteer leads from the Kindy class from last year. Even if volunteers aren't needed, just to touch base and redirect them if their first preference was Cafe Owl. Quiet start to the year, wanting to reach out to the newer parents to see if they've missed the memo that we have it. Question around how old Cafe Owl is to find out too. Lots of ideas floating around to help with promoting Cafe Owl.

### **Class Coordinator Update:**

#### **-Class coordinators**

The meeting went well & all class coordinators now have their class lists. I'd like to thank all these volunteers.

#### **-Mother's Day Stall**

Moving ahead well. I've emailed the kindy coordinators advising how the stall works and asking for volunteers for sorting gifts and working the stall itself.

We have 5 Raffle prizes so far, which is good.

There will be a blurb in the Bush Telegraph this week about the stall and asking for raffle donations.

Karen Murgatroyd is kindly going to setup the online raffle tickets again this year.

If okay with Tina, hoping we could use a kindy science room again for the stall (and setup on the Thurs).

#### **-Trivia Night**

We have confirmed date for Trivia, Sat 26 October, which has been authorised by Tina Lee.

An email has been sent out to years 3 & 4 class coordinators advising date and asking for volunteers. The response so far only 2 people (and not keen to lead the actual event).

We'll be losing a lot of key organising people this year, so maybe the idea of downsizing the event to encourage volunteers to help out. By removing the donation/auction part of the event, saves a lot of man power. We could increase the ticket amount to \$75 or more? By doing that and removing the donation part, it would mean possibly halving the amount of money raised to approx \$15,000.

Kate Williams will not be involved in this event, but has kindly said she will attend the first Trivia Meeting to assist with handover to the Trivia Committee and lead event coordinator.

Verbal discussion ended with Michelle Thomason volunteering herself to chair the trivia night committee. Thanks Michelle, absolute legend.

### **Neurodiverse Parent Support Group:**

Non Attendance

### **Other Business:**

### **Spending Priorities:**

- Technology/laptop and Ipad replacements \$50,000 minimum for the end of 2024 [\(to be discussed\)](#)
- Science resources (no levy for parents of fees) \$15,000 [\(voted yes, big discussion about concern around this inflating\)](#)
- English resources and texts to support new curriculum - \$15,000 [\(voted yes\)](#)
- Maths resources - \$10,000 [\(voted yes\)](#)
- Playground equipment balls, creation of a quiet area near cafe owl, games etc - \$5,000 [\(not discussed\)](#)

Mtg closed at:

9:18pm

**Next Meeting**

**14th May 2024**

**Actions:**

- Discuss spending priorities not discussed (carry over a few)
- Tina to look into what anaphylactic parents would like in terms of safeguarding the kids. (still to follow up)
- Kaisa to discuss with Sally around connecting with those who want to volunteer to build excitement in younger years even if there isn't space for them to come in
- Tina to discuss with Sally promoting cafe owl to younger children
- Peter to send Xara or collaborate with Xara on a spreadsheet to be shared with voted on costs.