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### MINUTES OF SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

Meeting No. 7/2017 - Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> October 2017

#### 1.0

#### **Welcome and Apologies**

**Present:** Aaron Chaplin, Kate Malkiewycz (Chair), Jodie Van Der Zwan, Lauren Irving, Susan Swaby, Stacey Brown, Erica Moore, Kathleen Whisson, Tambri Farrar, Stephen Price.

**Apologies:** Jill Durant, Karina Mallard, Maureen Wignell, Phil Mutter, Steve Rapps.

Guest Presenters – Shauna Reynolds, Cathy Heyes.

Observers - Paul Norris.

Meeting opened at 6.04pm Confirmation of Agenda

# 2.0

No real, perceived or potential conflicts of interest were identified by any member in relation to items on the agenda.

**Disclosure of interests** 

## 3.0 Minutes of Previous Meeting

- 3.1 Previous Minutes accepted as true and correct.
  Mistake "Lauren thanked everyone for their attendance" should read "Kate thanked everyone"
  Moved- Lauren 2<sup>nd</sup> Kate
- 3.2 <u>Actions arising</u>
  No Actions arising.

#### 4.0

### **Health and Physical Education Overview**

Cathy Heyes presented the overview for the School Board members. Edney PS has a specialist sports room which allows Cathy to extend the students learning in both Health and Physical Education. The school sets a high standard in the area. Our school is part of the Darling Range Learning Community. Edney PS hosts the Interschool Athletics carnivals for DRLC. There is a code of conduct that was introduced this year for the Learning community. The school works closely with Darling Range Sports College, looking at assessment and reporting and plans. We are able to access some of their equipment and the students assist with carnivals. Physical Education assessment — there are two integrated strands. Most students are performing at expected level. Cathy organises a Running club every Wednesday morning. This is a community based project with parents encouraged to join in. Golden Boot award and Star of the Day award to reward the students during their lessons. There are quite a few incursions organised across the year such as Hockey, Badminton, Basketball, Little Athletics, Cricket and clinics run by DRSC. Other activities include "Edudance" and Swimming lessons. Faction carnival and Interschool carnivals were both successful. Health is linked with current events, some of the programs used include Challenges and Choices programs, Protective behaviours, Resilience, Sun Smart and water safety.

- Q Will Edney always be the Interschool Athletics carnival? Yes
- Q Is the sporting equipment for classrooms supplied by the Phys Ed Dept? Yes the buckets are supplied each year and replenished through the year, the students are to be responsible for the equipment. This presentation is available on Connect for Board members to review.



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#### 5.0

## **Edney Primary School Board Awards**

In follow-up from our previous meeting, the following is proposed:

At the last meeting we agreed The Edney School Board Awards is a worthwhile idea. Kate confirmed this.

**Motion:** That the Edney Primary School Board establishes an awards program to recognise staff, students and community members. Aaron moved and 2<sup>nd-</sup> Kate

All in favour

Motion Carried

**Motion:** That a sub-committee of the Edney Primary School Board is established to facilitate the awards program. Moved - Aaron  $-2^{nd}$  Lauren

All in favour Motion Carried

Aaron asked for people who would like to form the committee – Aaron, Kate, Lauren, Jodie, and Tambri volunteered.

## 6.0 Approval of 2018 Personal Items Lists

Kate asked for any questions regarding the lists. Kathleen asked about the recorder for Year 3. This is for the music program so that Shauna doesn't need to disinfect the school recorders. Aaron mentioned that Forrestfield Paper place was chosen by the Board as the supplier for 2 years and he suggests that we continue with them for this year and next year we will go through the process of putting it out for tender again.

**Motion**: To extend for one year, Forrestfield Paper Place as the Personal Items list provider. Moved-Aaron  $-2^{nd}$  Erica.

All in favour Motion Carried

**Motion**: The Edney Primary School Board approves all personal items lists for publication and request for 2018. Moved - Kate 2<sup>nd</sup> Lauren.

All in favour Motion Carried

#### 7.0

### Approval of Workforce Plan

Changes were made to the Draft Workforce Plan in line with input from the Board at our previous meeting. The document is now presented for endorsement and adoption.

Aaron mentioned that there were some spelling errors which have been corrected.

**Motion:** That the Edney Primary School Board approves the Workforce Plan Moved Erica,  $2^{nd}$  Kate.

All in favour Motion Carried

#### 8.0

#### The Arts - Music Overview

#### Shauna Reynolds

This is the first year of the music program. All students are encouraged to participate in all of the music activities, including choir, ensemble and singing/playing instruments with their class. This year the students are participating in a modified curriculum for the music program due to the fact that this is their first year of the music program and most of the children haven't had any prior music education. Shauna explained the Year 1 music curriculum to demonstrate what is included in the curriculum.

Music is split into two areas – Area 1 - "Making Music" – skills and presentation.

Area 2 - "Responding" -



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Whole School Music – the students have looked at different composers and conductors, music through the ages, Women in music, Indigenous and other cultures. Whole school songs.

Class Instruments – in different years the students use different instruments building up through the years. Yr 3 recorders start and Yr 5 ukulele

The choir has been very successful with 80 students

Instrumental Music program.

IMSS – we have 5 classical guitar places. Shauna is asking for more places for our students.

Shauna has set up a recorder ensemble for Year 2 and 3 students.

Music funding – thanks to the current government funding Shauna has been able to purchase more instruments.

Q – What is Aural? It is listening and making the sound.

Q - Are there any plans to record their music? Not at the moment but it is something that might be good for the future if it can be set up.

# 9.0 School Board Planning

In preparing for 2018, the Board are asked to have input into the Strategic Plan for the Edney Primary School Board in ensuring that there is a link between Board actions and the achievement of the priorities of the Edney 2020 Plan.

Aaron explained that we need to work together to develop a plan for how does the board support the Edney 2020 plan.

Members worked in groups to provide ideas about how the School Board can support the Edney 2020 plan.

Aaron will put together some ideas for the Board plan from the ideas that have been suggested tonight. The School plan, the

Board plan and operational plans all work together.

# 10.0 Approval of School Development Days 2018

Following previous discussion and in consideration of operational requirements, the following dates are proposed for approval as Edney Primary School's flexibly scheduled School Development Days in 2018:

- Friday 1st June (the Friday prior to WA Day long weekend in Term 2)
- Monday 16th July (the first day of Term 3)
- Friday 9th November (the middle Friday of Term 4).

There are three School Development days that are not flexible – the first two days of the year and the last Friday of the year.

**Motion:** That the Edney Primary School Board approves the scheduled School Development Days for 2018. Kathleen Moved  $2^{nd}$  Stacey.

All in favour Motion Carried

# 11.0 Reports and operational matters

- **11.1 Finance Report** Reports were issued to board members No questions.
- **11.2 Staffing Report** There are a couple of things that will impact the school. The new government withdrew the funding for Independent Public Schools for administration support. They have wound back the ability for the school not to take "redeployees" and so Independent Schools now have to consider redeployees during the staffing process.

We are staffed for 2018. The school will be advertising for two Education assistants for next year due to more Kindergarten classes and special needs child in Kindergarten.



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### 11.3 Buildings and Grounds

Aaron has applied for funding to convert a classroom to a Science Lab.

#### 12.0 Other Business

Kathleen asked – "If we are an independent school and still a public school, are the voluntary fees still voluntary?" Aaron explained that we are still bound by the *Education Act* so that we can only ask for voluntary fees. Our school spends the money on the school and the children. We are bound by the agreement that says we must spend 97% of our funds.

# 13.0 Next Meeting

Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> November, 2017 6pm

# 14.0 Roundtable evaluation

Kate reviewed the meeting including the presentations by Cathy and Shauna, approving the personal lists, workforce plan, school development days and looking at the 2020 plan. We welcomed Kathleen to the board as our new member. We got through a huge agenda.

### 15.0 Meeting close

There being no further business, Kate thanked all members for attending and declared the meeting closed at 7.32pm