Minutes of the Colo High School P&C Association
Monday, 27th April, 2015

Attendance:
Nicole Stafford, Lynda Biggs, Vanessa Bayldon, David Thurston, Carol Wallace, Narelle Reinhardt, Belinda James, Mark Sargeant (Principal), Denise Decent.

Apologies:
Nikki Murphy

Meeting commenced: 7:05pm

Previous meeting minutes for the 23rd March, 2015 were presented and discussed. L. Biggs moved that the committee accept the minutes.
Seconded: C. Wallace Carried.

Further to our Annual General Meeting the following vacant positions were nominated as P&C Office Bearers for 2015:
Treasurer: Vanessa Bayldon - Nominated by: David Thurston. Seconded by: Carol Wallace
Publicity Officer: Nicole Stafford - Nominated by Denise Decent. Seconded by David Thurston

A huge thank you was extended to Carol Wallace who has been a long serving Treasurer for the Colo High School P&C Committee for many years.

Correspondence In/Out:
In: Parent & Citizen’s Magazine for Term 2, brochures on outdoor furniture and various fundraising correspondence.
Out: Minutes of meeting for 23rd March, 2015

Treasurer’s Report:
Treasurer’s Report dated 27th April, 2015 tabled and discussed as per attached copy. D. Decent moved that the committee accept the report.
Seconded: V. Bayldon Carried.

None this week
General Business

Europe History Tour
The P&C enjoyed viewing a PowerPoint prepared by D. Decent highlighting photos from the school’s recent History Study Tour to Europe. The tour comprised 30 people (21 x Year 11 and 12 students, 7 x staff and 2 x additional parents) and was a wonderful success.

Canteen
It was agreed that our new Canteen Assistant Lucinda Roache, required access to banking (including internet banking) with both Bendigo Bank and Westpac Banking Corporation. Our new Treasurer Vanessa Bayldon needs to be added also as a cheque signature for these accounts as well, in addition to Carol Wallace, Nikki Murphy and Lucinda Roache. Any other cheque signatures listed other than these four individuals need to be removed.

Uniform
27th July, 2015 to be scheduled as the date for the P&C to discuss any proposed future changes to the uniform policy at Colo High School. Discussions may include length of skirts, shoe colour and senior uniform policy changes. This is to be communicated to the School Community with comments to be invited from students, staff and parents.

Website
Mr Sargeant to follow up regarding the following additions to the P&C section of the website:
- Winter Uniform details
- P&C email address
- P&C Minutes on a regular basis

D. Thurston to look at creating a flyer to advertise upcoming P&C meetings to our parents for inclusion on the Website that will include an agenda. He is to follow up with Lindsay Collett re management of the P&C Email Account.

Faculty/SRC Presentation
Mrs Decent to follow up with Mrs Harris (Head Teacher, Social Science) regarding a Social Science faculty presentation for our next meeting. Mrs Decent will also invite the six Colo High School Student Leaders to meet with the P&C at the next meeting to discuss their plans for Spirit Week. These students will be invited to return again to our August P&C Meeting to give an overview of the event.
Principal’s Report – Mark Sargeant

- The School Plan is currently being finalised and should be published on the school website within the next week. There are 3 main focuses for 2015-2017:
  1. Student Learning
  2. Staff Leadership and Learning
  3. Improved Links with the Community
- The School Plan is a living document which will be re-evaluated each year.
- Our School Leaders Tiarne and Josh were excellent ambassadors at the recent Anzac Day Ceremony. Josh laid a wreath, whilst Tiarne spoke at the ceremony. Our other student leaders were also involved in other ceremonies.
- Our Athletics Carnival has been re-scheduled to May 8th due to the condition of the oval following the recent wet weather.
- Year 11 are currently undertaking the compulsory 25 hour Crossroads program – a student wellbeing program held on Thursdays for a 5-6 week period.
- Year 12 reports are currently being completed by teachers.
- Technology has been a challenge in Term 2 for Colo HS with switches down in English and History.
- The school is looking at the school news facility in an endeavour to improve communication between the school and its parent body. E-school News has the facility to email parents the school newsletter and other important news broadcasts as the information is made available.
- Meeting held with Dominic Perrottet (local member for the Hawkesbury area) regarding a leadership initiative involving two senior students from a number of schools in the District and mentoring opportunities. The Program would involve 7 mentoring sessions with a high profile Australian and will possibly including a heavily subsidised overseas trip (examples in the past have been Kokoda Trail and Europe is a possibility).
- Also spoke with Dominic Perrottet about the many bus issues Colo High School experiences on a day to day basis.

Meeting closed at 8.20pm.
Our next P&C meeting will be held on Monday, 25th May, 2015.