School Expectations

- I speak kindly and encourage others.
- I think of how my actions and words affect others.
- I look after the school property and my environment.
- I act in a manner that brings credit to my school.
- I treat everyone fairly.
- I include others in work and play.
- I respect and value differences.
- I am ready to learn and do my personal best.
- I am willing to learn new skills.
- I use my manners
- I follow instructions.

School Council Meeting

Date: October 26 2015
Time: 7:00pm – 8:30pm

School Council Meeting Minutes

Members:

Parent Reps: Darren Lewis, Erica Peak, Kylie Brady, Heather Dixon (2016)

Peter Dyer, Darren Eldridge, Nicole Hodges, Cameron Turnbull. (2017)

Co-opted Community: Gavin Salvador


Corrina Hartland, Marg Tope (2017)

Executive Officer: Glenda Miller

Observer: Jo Menzel
1. **Apologies/Absent:** Glenda Miller, Kyle Brady, Jo Menzel, Gavin Salvador, Heather Dixon

2. **Minutes of Previous Meeting:**

   **Draft Motion:** “Minutes of the previous meeting 17th August are true and correct”

   **Moved:** Darren Lewis  **Seconded:** Darren Eldridge

3. **Ongoing Actions**

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4. **Business Arising**

   4.1 **Reports**

   4.2 **Item:** Presentation re OSLE (Overseas Learning Experience) by Kim Kirkpatrick and Aimee Welton

   4.3 **Finance:** (All finance reports are tabled and available for School Council)

   Meeting held on 26th October 2015

   **Present:** Di, Trudi, Jo, Darren

   **Apologies:** Glenda (phone input), Jo

   **Agenda:** Financial Reports

   (Note **information Only** section on October Minutes)

   4.4 **Principal:** As read

   Presenter: Trudi

   4.5 **Management and Productivity Report:**

   Presenter: Trudi

   As read

   4.6 **Engagement and Wellbeing Report:**

   Presenter: Trudi
4.7 Achievement Report

Presenter: No report

4.8 Motions for Reports:

‘Kennington Primary School Council accepts payments for August and September, 2015 as tabled’

Moved: Nicole Hodges Seconded: Corrina Hartland

6.0 Correspondence – Inwards

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Motion: “Inwards correspondence be received”

Moved: Cam Turnbull Seconded: Marg Tope

7.0 Correspondence – Outwards

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Motion: “Outwards correspondence approved”

Moved: Marg Tope   Seconded: Cam Turnbull

8.0 **Correspondence - Action:**

8.1

9.0 **General Business**

9.1 **Information Update – Camps**

Sovereign Hill – progressing as scheduled for the first week of November. Deposit paid for 2016 camp.

Weekaway – The Weekaway campsite is in the area affected by the recent fires. Trudi has been in contact with the camp. All buildings are unaffected. The area surrounding the camp is affected. Assessors are assessing the trees and appropriate action will be taken. The water tanks will be cleaned and water replaced. The fences will be replaced at a later date. The roads have been reopened. Trudi will speak with the camp operator again on Monday the 19th of October for an update and to confirm that Campsite accreditation is in place and to determine that planned activities are possible and safe. Peter Dyer, Glenda Miller and Trudi Jacobson will visit the camp on Thursday morning. Parents will be updated with a note on Tuesday.

Since this information was provided to Council, Trudi was contacted by Darren the camp owner and he informed us that the camp is closed until further notice. The camp trees needed to be assessed and be deemed safe. Trudi, Luke and the Grade 6 team are working on an alternate Outdoor Education program which meets the same aims. It will be on-site /in Bendigo. Further information to be provided as it becomes available.

9.2 **Overseas Learning Experience – Kennington PS involvement in 2016 program.** Two KPS teachers and 4 students will be invited to participate. Approval to participate sought from Council.

9.2 **NAPLAN, Student, Staff, Parent Opinion Surveys – Discussion**

**School Staff Survey**

- The Survey was implemented from August 24 – September 4, 2015 with over 47,000 (75 per cent) of school staff taking part.
- In 2015 the School Climate and School Leadership modules were mandatory. Principals also had the opportunity to elect for their staff to complete additional modules: Staff Safety and Wellbeing; Professional Learning; and/or Teaching and Learning.

**Parent Opinion Survey**

- The Parent Opinion Survey was administered in July / August, 2015.
- 1,492 Victorian government schools participated in the survey, with responses received from over 50,000 parents across the state.
Staff Opinion Data

2015 results for School Climate indicate we are below in every area in comparison to like schools except for in the areas of Homework and Extra-Curricular where we are on a par. We are only behind SFO by a very small margin except for in the area of Parent Input where we were marked a significant amount behind like schools.

- Student Behaviour and Student engagement areas of the survey also show we are only slightly behind like schools.
- Three year trend is not flattering as we are showing a decline in results in all areas except for Learning Focus and Reporting. However the decreases across these areas are only minimal.
- We found it interesting that in the three year trend data in the Student Behaviour area of the report states that Student Safety had declined in comparison to 2013 data but in contrast the 2015 Classroom Behaviour section shows an improvement from the 2013 data. The two areas didn’t seem to match up like we’d expect.

Staff Climate
Collective Responsibility was high (Staff view the success of all students as their shared responsibility.)- 90%
Teacher Collaboration (Staff seek advice from colleagues and participate in collaborative discussion to improve teacher and learning) was low – 50%
Parent and Community involvement was high – 80%
Collective focus on student learning (all activities are organised to promote student learning ) was high 92%
Shielding and Buffering (Staff are protected from intrusions that distract from learning and teaching) was low 54%

Parent Survey - Staff comments
Parents were happy with
- extra curricula
- Homework
- Learning focus
- Teacher morale - halved – perception of parents

9.3 Premier’s Reading Challenge was celebrated with Mrs Cath Andrews, wife of Premier Daniel Andrews and MP Jacinta Allen on September 9. This was a very successful event.
9.4 The National Championships for Gymnastics were launched on Monday August 24th during assembly at KPS.

9.5 Approval sought for the Grade 6 Melbourne Camp in March 2016 (21st-23rd). Travel by train. Monday 21st March - 9:24am - 11:33am – This is the Swan Hill service. We would all fit in one carriage (they can hold 88 in a carriage). They would either reserve a carriage for us or put an extra carriage on for us.

*Wednesday 23rd March – 1:15pm-3:12pm – This is a smaller train so we would need 1 & ½ carriages. Our group would all be seated together and VLine would put ‘reserved seat’ signs out for us.*

*Cost – first 20 students & 4 adults travel free. All other passengers $20.20. Based on 70 students & 10 adults, our total cost would be $1090. Split between 70 students = $16.16 each.*

*We would need to add approx. $2 for bus to and from train station if we did that.*

*Also have a quote from Organ’s Coaches – would be $3080. Split between 70 students = $44 each.*

9.5 Equity Money – The school has been notified that they will be receiving $150 000 Equity Money in 2016. $75 000 will be credit component and $75 000 with be a cash component. Guidelines re expenditure will be provided.

Presenter: Trudi

9.6 Date for School Council Gathering - December 2015 - 5:00-7:00pm at the Art Gallery Café. Invitations have been issued.

Presenter: Trudi

**Motion:**

9.7 Extraordinary School Council meeting - Proposed Date Friday November 13th at 4:00pm

Presenter: Peter Dyer

**Approval sought**

“Kennington Primary School Council approves the participation of Kennington Primary School students and staff in the Overseas Learning Program to China in 2016.”

“Kennington Primary School Council approves the participation of Kennington Primary School students and staff in the Grade 6 Melbourne Camp in March 2016 (21st-23rd) and travel by train.”
Extraordinary School Council meeting - Proposed date and time, Friday November 13\textsuperscript{th} at 4:00pm in Conference Room, accepted

Moved: Darren Lewis  
Seconded: Erica Peak

Meeting closed at 8:20pm

10.0 \textbf{Next regular meeting:} November 23\textsuperscript{rd} 2015 at 7:00pm

Signed:  
Trudi Jacobson  
Acting Principal

Signed:  
Peter Dyer  
President