

Minutes of 17 October Meeting

Subject Matter:					P&C Association General Meeting				
Purpose:					Regular meeting for work monitoring, reporting, and discussions/ consultation on business arising.				
Date:					17 October 2012				
Time:					07.05 pm– 09.20 pm				
Location:					School Staff Room				
Attendees:		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mansoor Ahmed Emma Burns Sandra Roussel Kirstin Langton Maciek Ronowski John Williams Louise Dalglish Smith Valerie Creteigny Paul Leslie Justin Brown Raana Asgar Veronique Butle Juanita Kapel 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Paul Haesler Charlene Barriga Kirstin Langton Christina Morner Margie Eddington Katrina Lourie Pascale Sillick Stephanie Julienne Kay Yarrow Charmaine Sisomphou Jennifer McNeill Mirjam Herzog 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Justin Brown Paul Haesler Helen Robertson Jypara Ismailova Tania Kriticos Nicola Smith Ilinka Budisic Ben Freyens Carolyn Rogers Katrina Lourie Steve Taylor Kerri Elgar 	STAFF <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tom Koball SPECIAL GUESTS <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tony Gill and Snezana Dimitrovska (Roads, ACT) 				
Apologies:		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Andrea Grazziadelli Drew Baker Muriel Martin 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Kerrie Blain (new Proviseur) Emmanuel Texier 						
Agenda Item		Discussion / Actions							

1.	Participants Forum	<p>Presentation by Tony Gill and Snezana Dimitrovska, Roads ACT</p> <p>Tony and Snezana gave an overview of traffic related matters relevant to the School over the last few years, and then discussed recent developments, evident safety issues, and solutions preferred by Roads ACT.</p> <p>In brief, the solutions preferred by Roads ACT are that by the start of Term 1, 2013:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The entire section of NSW Crescent near Young Street which is currently a combination of short and long term car parks will be converted to 60 degree parking. • A gate will be installed in the fence mid-way along this new section of 60 degree parking. <p>AND EITHER</p> <p>(A) The school converts the area around the flagpole to a pickup and drop-off zone for students AND approximately 10 car parks along the new 60 degree parking section on NSW Crescent will be designated as long term parking. This is to compensate the school for the carparks they would lose by giving up the flagpole area. OR</p> <p>(B) The school retains the area around the flagpole for staff parking AND the entire section of the new 60 degree parking section on NSW Crescent will be designated as short term parking.</p> <p>These proposed solutions are yet to be agreed to by the School.</p> <p>After the presentation, there was the opportunity for questions from the audience. In closing the session, Mansoor thanked Tony and Snezana and reiterated that the P&C is mindful of School concerns, and that we need to work together on a compromise, but the safety of the students will come first. Tony then mentioned that local residents were also a key stakeholder.</p>
2.	Review and confirmation of minutes of the previous meeting	<p>Minutes of the previous meeting were endorsed.</p> <p>Proposed – Christina Moore Seconded – Jypara Ismailova</p> <p>These endorsed Minutes will be uploaded to the P&C Website.</p>
3.	Correspondence In/Out	<p>The correspondence was distributed.</p>

4.	Business Arising	<p><u>Status of Action Items</u></p> <p>It was noted that Emma (Secretary) had circulated Action Items from the previous meeting to relevant people prior to the meeting for noting. No items were discussed but Mansoor asked that people aim to close all items before the next meeting.</p> <p>Action:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Close as many items prior to 28 November meeting. <p><u>Vote for holding P&C General Meeting for constitutional amendment</u></p> <p>Mansoor advised that an all parents email (about the proposed constitutional amendment) had been circulated prior to the meeting (see <u>Attachment A</u>). He gave thanks to the sub-committee for all their hard work to date.</p> <p>Pascale (sub-committee member) gave an update of the issues and some discussion followed.</p> <p>Mansoor requested support for a Special General Meeting so that the P&C could vote on the proposed amendments. He explained that a minimum of 3 weeks' notice was needed and therefore suggested that the Special General Meeting occur at the same time as the next P&C meeting. All were in favour of a Special General Meeting but not at the same time as the next P&C meeting.</p> <p>Action:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Special General Meeting to be called to vote for a change in the constitution at 6:30pm on 28 November, to be followed by the P&C meeting • At the Special General Meeting, an invitation for interest in the position of Returning Office will be sought, so preparation for the election can begin. <p><u>Uploading of P&C Minutes to website</u></p> <p>Mansoor advised that Kay Yarrow had done some research on privacy policies at other schools and thought this was relevant to the issue. He suggested that the P&C draft a privacy policy which captures the handling of Minutes and web uploads. It was agreed that this was a sensible approach. Mansoor asked if Kay would draft the policy, and she agreed. It was also <u>agreed</u> that in interim, current practise would be maintained.</p> <p>Action:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop a privacy policy for the P&C—Kay to develop a draft policy (Emma and Drew to assist as needed)
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P&C funds allocation process

There was discussion regarding the previous allocation process. A need for longer-term planning with allocations was discussed. Louise advised that the community and fundraising sub-committee are working on a long-term plan for the primary school and will liaise with Mary Ryan. It was agreed that this plan should be uploaded to the website when available and appropriate.

The President and Treasurer have received the Schools wish list but it was not circulated or discussed in detail.

Sandra (Treasurer) advised that Mary (School Business Manager) does have a long-term plan for the school and said that a closer liaison re more strategic expenditure was preferable.

Mansoor called for a small committee to be formed to facilitate the allocation process but this was not agreed to.

Action:

- Mansoor to send to all parents an email about the wishlist
- Emma to provide the list with the Minutes (now at Attachment B)
- Telopea Topic entries to notify of parents of the P&C allocation process and encourage parent suggestions via the P&C website
- School's wish list to go on the P&C website
- Mansoor to invite Mary and/or Kerrie to present to the P&C on the School wish list at the 28 November meeting
- Mansoor to organise a letter to go to all parents (both primary and high school) about the funds allocation process and School's wish list
- Community and fundraising sub-committee to liaise with Mary Ryan regarding the development of their long-term plan for the primary school.

Additional

Raffle

Paul (Raffle Coordinator) asked for volunteers to help process credit card purchases of raffle tickets. Jypara, Charlene and Ilinka volunteered. Sandra will liaise with volunteers out of session.

Paul reminded members that the deadline was 30 October to get raffle tickets back the school. Returns should be made at the Finance Office)

		<p>Mansoor thanked Paul for his sustained and amazing efforts with the raffle</p> <p>Action:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jypara, Charlene, and Ilinka to process credit card purchases and Sandra to oversee • A reminder to go in Telopea Topics about returning raffle tickets. <p><u>School vouchers</u></p> <p>Paul said he had processed the Coles and Woolworths vouchers collected at the last meeting and that it did not take long. Emma said she would discuss with Paul the estimated workload so that she could add this to the position description for the Grants Officer (currently vacant)</p> <p>Action:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Emma to update Grant Officer role statement.
5.	P&C President	<p>Report: Discussed briefly, available at <u>Attachment C</u></p> <p>Mansoor thanked the community and fundraising sub-committee for all their hard work in relation to the French Breakfast and Art Show. He made special mention of Kerri Elgar’s amazing dedication to the Art Show and suggested that this be a standing event for the P&C and School. There was general agreement but discussion about how much work was involved and how difficult it was to stage. There was discussion about how repeatedly it was the same small number of parents involved in fundraising events for the school and how disappointing this was. Louise reminded members that the Primary School Disco was on November 23rd and that volunteers were being sought through the next issue of Telopea Topics (among other avenues).</p> <p>Kerri advised that art works were still available for sale if people were interested. At this stage the profits from the event are likely to be small but it was agreed that building school spirit was as important as the funds raised.</p> <p>Mansoor said he may not be at the next meeting and he would make sure a replacement Chair was organised.</p>
6.	P&C Treasurer	<p>Report: Not discussed, available at <u>Attachment D.</u></p>

7.	Principal	<p>Report: No report due to Kerrie's absence.</p> <p>Tom spoke on behalf of Kerrie who is currently in London. He said that the new Proviseur, Emmanuel Texier was settling in was very apologetic for not attending the meeting. The school website is still being finalised, which is frustrating but finalisation before the end of the year is possible. He spoke of the Autonomous School model and how this was progressing especially regarding recruitment of teachers. He advised that Kerrie was in London doing a course on change process and how to improve teaching and learning. She is back Monday.</p>		
8.	Delegates Report	<p>Report: Discussed briefly, available at Attachment E.</p>		
9.	Sub-Committee Reports	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fete Committee Report: Discussed briefly, available at Attachment F. <p>Steve said that fete advertising was going really well thanks to Amanda but that a pack up crew on Sunday was still needed. Also needed are: teacher volunteers to setup Marquees (36); a photographer (James Lehanne took photo's last year and may be a possibility); and Sandra needs volunteers to run a float on the day.</p> <p>Nicola asked Mansoor about a previous request made from the French Australian Preschool Fundraising Committee to borrow 10 Marquee's. Mansoor said he had no problem with this. It was noted that Margie Eddington had the store key.</p> <p>Action:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Emma to provide Margie's contact details to Nicola <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BASC Report: Not discussed, available at Attachment G. • Community and Fundraising Report – Not discussed, available at Attachment H. 		
10.	Meeting Closed	9 :20pm		
		Prepared By:	EB	23/10/2012
		Approved By:	P&C Exec	30/10/2012

Minutes of 5 September Meeting			
Subject Matter:	P&C Association General Meeting		
Purpose:	Regular meeting for work monitoring, reporting, and discussions/ consultation on business arising.	Date:	05 September 2012
		Time:	07.02 pm– 09.06 pm
		Location:	School Staff Room
Attendees:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mansoor Ahmed • Emma Burns • Sandra Roussel • Kirstin Langton • Andrea Graziadelli • Paul Leslie 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Christina Morner • Margie Eddington • Katrina Lourie • Pascale Sillick • Stephanie Julienne • Kay Yarrow 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Michelle McDonald • Justin Brown • Paul Haesler • Helen Robertson • Jypara Ismailova • Nessa Delaney
Apologies:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tania Kriticos • Nick Horn • Louise Dalglish Smith 		<p>STAFF</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kate Sutherland • Kerrie Blain
Agenda Item	Discussion / Actions		
2.	Review and confirmation of minutes of the previous meeting	<p>Minutes of the previous meeting were discussed. It was decided that there was an inaccuracy in the Minutes. The President requested that the following change was made.</p> <p>“There was brief discussion about the launch of the fundraising cookbook as part of the Alliance Franciase anniversary”</p> <p>to</p> <p>“There was brief discussion about the relationship between the P&C and the Alliance Franciase”.</p>	

		<p>The Minutes – with the above change – were endorsed.</p> <p>Proposed – Paul Leslie Seconded – Kirstin Langton</p> <p>These endorsed Minutes will be uploaded to the P&C Website.</p> <p>Kate (Deputy Principal) gave an update on recent activities and liaisons between the school and the Alliance Fraincaise (see also <u>Attachment J</u> from Commemorative Committee Representative).</p>
3.	Correspondence In/Out	<p>The correspondence was distributed and noted but not read in detail or tallied.</p> <p>The President did, however, refer to a letter he had received in regard to P&C funds allocation this year.</p>
4.	Business Arising	<p><u>Status of Action Items</u></p> <p>It was noted that Emma (Secretary) had circulated Action Items from the previous meeting to relevant people prior to the meeting for noting. No items were discussed.</p> <p><u>Website update</u></p> <p>Drew (Communications Officer) gave an update about the new website. He discussed how the revamped website was designed to be more parent centric but still retains the same essential information. Drew circulated a handout (<u>Attachment A</u>). Drew discussed the links to facebook and email subscriptions. He thanked people for feedback to date and said further input was welcomed.</p> <p>He explained that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the next focus will be to refresh and restructure the allparents email list • google analytics has been installed to measure the use of the site. • in future links to P&C meeting agenda's and papers could be used in place of attachments to emails. <p>It was suggested and <u>agreed</u> that a link to the school calendar would be beneficial.</p> <p>Kerrie (Principal) was asked if there will be a clear link on the refreshed school website to the P&C website. It was agreed this would be good but noted that development was complicated and up to the Directorate. Not live yet.</p>

Mansoor (President) acknowledged all Drew's efforts and thanked him for the website, as did others at the meeting.

The process of Minutes being freely available on the website was discussed. Some expressed concern at this level of transparency. Emma (Secretary) advised that this had been discussed by the Executive earlier in the year. It was agreed that further discussion at the next meeting was warranted.

Action:

- Create a link to parent calendar on School website - Drew
- Send allparents email to promote feedback on the refreshed website - Drew
- Submissions through 'raise an issue' to be lodged as 'correspondence in' for P&C meetings – Emma and Drew
- Agenda item next meeting on the issue of Minutes and the website – Emma to add to the Agenda

Parking and Traffic update

Kay gave an update on behalf of the Sub-Committee. Points covered included:

- today a number of people (with yellow vests) from TAMS were assessing the traffic situation and recording the amount of traffic, and taking photos of common traffic breaches
- today, Kay received a letter from Katy Gallegher re traffic at the School (Attachment B).
- the Sub-Committee and the School have received the TAMS Traffic Plan and had a meeting with Tony Gill, Director of Roads ACT to discuss the Plan and options and ideas to address traffic issues at the School. Kay said the meeting went well, there was productive discussion about potential solutions, and pedestrian crossing standards need to be addressed as a priority. One idea is to have 'lollypop people' at peak times
- parents are confused (especially non-english speaking parents) by some traffic sign, primarily the meaning of 'no stopping' versus 'no parking'

Kerrie agreed that the meeting with Tony Gill was productive and well attended. She said that the School's number one focus remains child safety and that the lack of teacher parking is also a real concern for the School. A drop-off circle option would be good but we would need new car parks for teachers to accommodate this.

Action:

- A message in Telopea Topics from Kerrie re School traffic and parking and signs

P&C funds allocation process

Mansoor (President) explained that the Executive out of session had held discussions regarding this process. He explained that the P&C has final say on how all funds raised by the P&C are allocated, and that he had recently met with Kerrie regarding P&C funds allocation. The process involves the School providing a 'wish list' to the P&C to consider before the November meeting. The ideas are generally driven by the school. Sandra (Treasurer) said that it would be good to have more engagement from parents on what should be funded from funds raised by the P&C. It was agreed that it would be good if the P&C was more proactive and strategic about its spending but it would always be important to work well with the school.

There was some discussion on how raising funds for particular spending may help increase funds. It was agreed that this should not be a blanket approach as this may prohibit funding larger projects.

Kerrie said the P&C could have the Schools 'wish list' before the 17 October P&C meeting, if desired.

It was agreed that early next year it would be good to set priorities for expenditure, and to plan some events to raise funds for identified projects. It was suggested that the Community Events Sub-Committee, along with the Executive, could play a leading role in priority setting and funds allocation.

Action:

- School to provide their wish list to the P&C President by end September.

Additional

Kerrie mentioned that an evening presentation for parents on promoting health and resilience in children was planned for 25 September at 6:45pm in Secondary Library (Attachment C)

Action:

- Drew to upload the promotional flyer to the P&C website

The kindy parent information evening in Term 4 is on 31 October. The President of the P&C usually attends and gives a talk.

Action:

- Mansoor to prepare information for the welcome night and will discuss this with Elizabeth (past President)

Paul (Raffle Coordinator) gave a brief update:

- \$7400 from weekend selling has been raised to date
- struggling to get volunteers to sell on the weekends, and so far for this weekend have only one volunteer

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • a prize for early return tickets was suggested, something like a playstation 3. The P&C endorsed this approach and <u>agreed</u> that Paul should decide the type of prize. • management of credit card payments for raffle tickets so that we can distinguish these from BASC funds is preferred. An online system is possible and not overly expensive. <p>Action:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Paul to advertise the prize for early ticket sales through Telopea Tickets • Paul and Sandra to discuss raffle ticket credit card sales out of session. <p>Mansoor acknowledge all efforts to date from Paul. Paul said it was a team effort.</p>
5.	Participants Forum	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The election promise from the current ACT government in relation to water bottle filling stations was discussed (see http://www.katygallagher.net/?p=1853). It was suggested if this did not eventuate through government grants than this could be a good project for the P&C to fund. • A recent clash in Tennis Court bookings was raised. Kerrie advised that there was a booking system was in place and she was uncertain why a clash had occurred. • The process of recruiting relief teachers was discussed. Kerrie and Kate (Deputy Principal) advised that there is an ACT Directorate pool and online booking system, and that sometimes it can be challenging to get teachers of the appropriate standard. The School does maintain a list of teachers that they like to use. The School is aware that some relief teachers do not progress the curriculum well but the School has limited options. She advised that it is a priority to continue with the School program. • A parent asked if primary students needed to apply for Secondary School. Kerrie explained that Primary children enrolled automatically progress through to Secondary. • A parent asked if the School had a policy on repeating children. Kerrie and Kate explained that this was at the discretion of the Principal but generally was discouraged because it is often socially detrimental for the child.
6.	P&C President	<p>Report: Discussed briefly, available at <u>Attachment D</u></p> <p>Mansoor said he had revised in his report and that it now had an update from the Constitution Sub-Committee. He said that to amend the Constitution 21 days-notice was needed before the P&C could vote. He suggested that Oct or November would be suitable for a special meeting to vote or we could vote at a general P&C meeting.</p> <p>Action</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Constitution Sub-Committee to send an 'allparents' email to update them on this process.

7.	P&C Treasurer	Report: Not discussed, available at Attachment E
8.	Principal	<p>Report: Not discussed, available at Attachment F</p> <p>Kerrie said one important addition for her report was that the School had just received a \$25,000 grant from the government to install solar panels. She said this was the 3rd time they had applied and were finally successful.</p> <p>Kerrie also briefed the P&C on plans for a new School uniform jumper. This is initially for Secondary students and the idea is to not have hoods and to make jumpers more affordable and unisex. She showed the P&C the suggested type and asked for endorsement from the P&C. Endorsement was given. She said that the new uniform also be introduced in the Primary but this is yet to be decided.</p>
9.	Delegates Report	Report: Discussed briefly, available at Attachment G
10.	Sub-Committee Reports	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fete Committee Report: Not discussed, available at Attachment H • BASC Report : Discussed briefly, available at Attachment I <p>Mansoor referred to the National Quality Framework and said this was a good thing.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Commemorative Committee Report: Not discussed, available at Attachment J • Traffic Sub-Committee Report: Not discussed, available at Attachment K • Community Events Report – discussed briefly, available at Attachment L <p>Katrina apologised for not having the report available for circulation with the Agenda. She made mention of the Art show on 27 September from 5:30-7:30 in the Hall. She explained that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • children’s Art will be framed and available to purchase on the night. • raffle tickets will be available for sale on the night • we have a liquor permit • keen for volunteers to help frame pictures, help set-up and clean up. <p>She also reminded everyone that:</p>

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> the Family Breakfast was this Friday there has been a poor response to date for the Recipe Book. There is a standard entry in each Telopea Topics. It was agreed we should promote through the website. <p>Action</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Drew to advertise the Cook Book on the website
11.	Meeting Closed	9 :06pm
		Prepared By: EB 08/09/2012
		Approved By: P&C Exec 11/09/2012

Telopea Park School P&C
President's Report
Period 06 Sep – 15 Oct 2012

1. P&C Executives

- 1.1 The period observed a term break from 01 Oct - 14 Oct 2012. P&C activities continued across a number of areas including Fete, Fundraising, Raffle, Parking & Safety, Art Show, Constitution Update, and participation in ACT P&C Special Meetings. Relevant Subcommittees report provides the detail.
- 1.2 I warmly welcome the newly elected Vice President, Ms Jypara Ismailova to P&C Executive team. She was elected to the position in the previous P&C meeting.
- 1.3 I also warmly welcome the new Proviseur M. Emmanuel Texier who I met during the Art Show organized by the P&C. I look forward to Proviseur participation in P&C meetings.
- 1.4 The period observed two significant events. First the Family Breakfast on 7th September and Second the Art Show on 27th September. Both events were a remarkable success, particularly the Art Show which was attended by the Cultural Attaché, Embassy of France. I will recommend that the Art Show to be included in the School Calendar as a regular event to encourage and recognize students artistic creativity. I am sure many parents will join me to thank the organizing committees of both events.
- 1.5 Key issues to be addressed in the P&C Meeting of 17th October are:
 1. ACT Road's work on Parking and Children Safety around the School.
 2. Vote for holding a Special General Meeting to enable update to P&C Constitution.
 3. Uploading P&C Minutes to website, considering privacy, staff and financial information.

2. P&C Sub - Committees

- 2.1 As per the subcommittee's reports attached with the Agenda or to be tabled at the meeting.
- 2.2 The Constitution Sub-committee has completed its work. All information related to the proposed changes to the Constitution regarding schedule of electing the P&C Representatives for School Board will be provided again in a separate email. This is a key P&C decision this year to be made. The P&C Meeting on 17 Oct will take a decision for or not holding a Special General Meeting for the proposed changes to constitution. If decided, the Special Meeting can be expected to be held on or before the P&C Meeting in November 2012. All P&C members are requested to participate in this key decision.

3. P&C Representatives

- 3.1 This year P&C meetings heard very little on the outcomes of School Committees work. In order to keep the P&C informed, I have asked the Vice President, Jypara Ismailova to compile and present a report to P&C. Considering that Jypara was only elected in last meeting, and

there was a term break in this reporting period, I expect that the report will be available on or before the Meeting in November.

4. General Information

- 4.1 The Teachers Day will be observed on 25th Oct. The P&C will write letter of thanks to all teachers.
- 4.2 Just like Raffle sub-committee, the Fete sub-committee is seeking volunteers to organize a successful event this year. I strongly urge all parents to donate some of their precious time to these activities. These P&C activities, together with other fund raising activities, provide significant funds to the School which ultimately helps our children.

Mansoor Syed
P&C President
Telopea Park School

15 Oct 2012

13 October 2012, Treasurer's report

- The P&C has approximately \$117K in the bank.
- Of this, approximately \$86k is allocated for identified school projects.
- Income received in the last month includes:
 - \$1,693 in proceeds from the Art Show
 - \$823 in proceeds from the family breakfast
 - \$267 in interest
- Expenditure in the last month includes:
 - \$885 for Art show expenses (frames and posters)
 - \$4,664 in fete expenses (\$2,388 for Barlens hire, \$1,009 for Dowlings supplies, \$1,150 for satay sticks and \$118 for milk shake makers)

TELOPEA PARK SCHOOL PARENTS & CITIZENS ASSOCIATION

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 13 October 2012

	\$	\$
Balance General Account as at 1 January 2012		107,936.04
Add: Income year to date		21,895.43
Fete proceeds	2,250.00	
Raffle proceeds	8,954.00	
Interest	2,860.17	
GST Holding Account	0.00	
Uniform shop	729.00	
Debtors receipts		
Other	7,102.26	
Less: Expenditure		12,834.87
TPS Grants (see attached schedule)	0.00	
Bank Fees	0.00	
Catering	98.55	
Fete Expenses	4,664.46	
Raffle Expenses	1,477.00	
GST Holding account	0.00	
Other	6,594.86	
Add: Unpresented cheques		0.00
Cash at bank (Operating Accounts) as at 13 October 2012		116,996.60
	NAB - General Account	17,168.40
	NAB - Cash Maximiser	99,828.20
Bank reconciliation as at 13 October 2012		116,996.60

TELOPEA PARK SCHOOL P&C

Grants to Telopea Park School

Description		Budget \$	Paid \$	Remaining \$
2012 Allocation				
Library shelving	(3)	10,000	0	10,000
Awards K-10	(3)	7,000	0	7,000
Outdoor park seating	(3)	4,400	0	4,400
Shade structure, PE area	(3)	15,000	0	15,000
Primary French Readers	(3)	10,000	0	10,000
Year 5 Drums program	(3)	5,500	0	5,500
Sport/PE facility	(3)	5,200	0	5,200
Humanities	(3)	2,497	0	2,497
Mathematics			0	0
Arts facility	(3)	6,175	0	6,175
Science faculty	(3)	4,700	0	4,700
Pastrol care	(3)	3,000	0	3,000
Lower primary circuit equipment	(3)	3,500	0	3,500
School's built environment committee funds	(3)	4,000	0	4,000
Multi-purpose building (2010 Allocation)	(1,2)	5,000	0	5,000
		85,972	0	85,972

Notes

- (1) Funding allocation approved 18 November 2009
- (2) Funding re-allocation approved 3 August 2011
- (3) Funding allocation approved 23 November 2012

The screenshot displays the NAB account summary interface. At the top, there's a navigation bar with tabs for 'Accounts', 'Bill payment', 'Funds transfer', 'Apply / Offers', and 'Settings / Mailbox'. The main content area is titled 'Account summary' and shows two accounts:

- Account 1:** 0082968790230766, Current balance: 17,168.40 CR, Available balance: 17,168.40.
- Account 2:** 0082968791075737, Current balance: 99,828.20 CR, Available balance: 99,828.20.

Below the account list, a summary table shows:

Credit balance:	116,996.60 CR
Debit balance:	0.00 DR
Net position:	116,996.60 CR

The page also includes a sidebar with 'Transaction history', 'Statements', 'Account details', 'Stop cheque', 'Re-order book', and 'Re-order statement'. There are also promotional banners for 'Exchange Rate' (AUD 1.00, USD 0.99) and 'Mailbox' (View all 53 new).

TELOPEA PARK SCHOOL P&C

EXPENDITURE

DATE	CHQ #	PAYEE	TPS GRANTS \$	BANK FEES \$	Catering \$	FETE EXPENSES \$	Raffle Expenses \$	GST HOLDING \$	MISC. \$	Cashed	TOTAL \$	
21-Mar-2012	.	Louise Daghish							100.00		100.00	Gift for outgoing president
23-Mar-2012	.	Elizabeth Fredericks			98.55						98.55	AGM catering
26-Mar-2012	446	Office of Regulatory Services							67.00		67.00	Audit lodgment
14-May-2012	.	ACT Council of P&C Assoc							1,151.37		1,151.37	Affiliation fees
26-Jul-2012	.	Tony Jarman					497.00				497.00	Raffle licence
26-Jul-2012	.	Civic Insurance Brokers							1,047.20		1,047.20	General insurance policy
26-Jul-2012	.	TravelScene							500.00		500.00	Plane ticket, 2011 raffle
27-Jul-2012	.	TravelScene							1,000.00		1,000.00	Plane ticket, 2011 raffle
27-Jul-2012	.	TravelScene							1,500.00		1,500.00	Plane ticket, 2011 raffle
7-Aug-2012	.	Kirstin Langton							344.79		344.79	Welcome packs
7-Aug-2012	.	MBE Business services					980.00				980.00	Printing raffle tickets
24-Sep-2012	.	Kerri Elgar							798.00		798.00	Art show frames
30-Sep-2012	.	Amali							86.50		86.50	Art Show posters
30-Sep-2012	.	Steve Taylor				118.00					118.00	Milk shake makers
8-Sep-2012	.	Barlens				2,387.62					2,387.62	Barlens hire
9-Sep-2012	.	Dowlings				1,008.84					1,008.84	Dowlings supplies
12-Oct-2012	.	Deakin Thai Cuisine				1,150.00					1,150.00	Satay sticks
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			<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>98.55</u>	<u>4,664.46</u>	<u>1,477.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>6,594.86</u>		<u>12,834.87</u>	
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ACT P&C Council meeting of 25 September 2012

Key outcomes of the meeting included:

- The Council suggested that P&Cs should encourage all parents to raise public education issues and the need for more funding with any political party polsters or campaigners that they come across. Council to seek increased funding for annual grant.
- The ACT P&C Council is looking into whether it should lobby for the ETD should resume undertaking exit surveys with parents leaving the ACT schools.
- The Council provided advice on ensuring P&C have made provisions for any long service leave entitlements that they may need to account for in the future.
- The Council members discussed ideas on how P&C's can engage with their school, particularly where there are many changes to staff and/or principals.
- Delegates discussed ideas for increasing parent participation in P&Cs. I think many of the ideas have already been taken up by our P&C but further details can be found on the Council's website.

Healthy food choices for families workshop

27 October 1.00pm-3.00pm Canberra Institute of Technology, Reid Campus, Constitution Ave.

Join local chef Basil Smith in this workshop giving tips on healthy food substitutions for families, helping to promote healthy food choices for children and teenagers getting ready to leave home. To register contact Melissa Jogie, 6241 5759, mjogie@actparents.org.au

Election Education forum

On 13th September I attended the Election Education forum. The panel consisted of Chris Burke (Labor), Meredith Hunter (Greens) and Steve Dospot (Liberal). Each made a presentation about their achievements and commitments in education in the ACT. This was followed by questions and answers. I asked a question about opportunities for children to learn another language at school – see below for more information. There were some good suggestions from some of the parents attending the forum but the participants did not show much inclination to give further consideration to suggestions at this time.

Meredith Hunter presentation

The Greens are calling for the introduction of Gonski, including needs based funding and the injection of \$7billion of new funding. They have previously called for a review of ESL, school closures and chemical use in cleaning of schools. Would like to look at improving canteen arrangements and ensuring schools have more than just heat and feed facilities. They have promised funds for canteen upgrades, as well as for school gardens. They are also supportive of the 'Calmer classrooms' professional development initiative in Victoria and would like to extend it to Canberra. Talked about a human rights commission for complaints about education and promise to commit funds for Hippy

program, aimed at supporting parent relationships starting at preschool. They are concerned that individual learning plans are not occurring in practice.

Chris Burke presentation

Mr Burke said the ACT spends more than other states on education, other than NT. Our student to teacher ratios are on average better than other states. He said Labor has provided teacher pay increases and better development opportunities. They are committed to Gonski and will provide more money to ICT. They will also deliver online canteen and bulk ordering for canteens.

Steve Dospot presentation

Mr Dospot said many schools are in need of repair, more counsellors, trained librarians and nurses. He said the Liberals fought cutbacks to schools and teachers and closure of schools. If in govt they would increase counsellors by 50 per cent and appoint an education commissioner. Said there is a shortage of teachers, especially relief teachers. They would establish a professional learning fund, doubling funding, including for relief teachers. They will ensure an independent audit on infrastructure and increase funds. They have committed \$6.8 million to flashing lights for all schools to increase road safety. He indicated that ACT gives less funds to Independent schools than other states do and this needs to be addressed.

Questions from the audience

The panel was asked why only public schools and not private schools are not required to report behavioural incidents. There was some discussion that this was something that could be looked into but there was then no specific commitments to do so. Mr Burke said they are addressing this issue through Safe to School Council which looks at safety in schools.

Some parents raised concerns that school autonomy could lead to schools employing cheaper less skilled teachers. Mr Burke indicated that they were involved in a national partnership on empowering schools but not plans to move to autonomy and schools can pull out at any time. Mr Dospot said the Liberals support school autonomy if it is done right.

Mr Dospot and Ms Hunter talked about the Ontario model on parent engagement in schools. The role of Network Leaders has been introduced to help with the link between the school and the Directorate.

Special needs education was a concern for a number of parents. Mr Burke indicated that they will have a disability taskforce to look at disability needs, including dyslexia.

A number of parents said that they would like to see interschool sports competitions, due to the benefits of this to children. Mr Burke said this is difficult as many parents do not support it. There was also some talk about insurance issues and not able to get teachers to do this work.

There were also several calls to increase funding for librarians.

I asked if the panel could provide their views or policies in providing children in the ACT the opportunity to learn another language at school. Mr Dospot talked about the importance of ESL in schools and providing opportunities to learn about other cultures. Mr Burke said that schools mostly

provide a taste of another language and culture rather than the opportunity to learn another language. Most options, such as weekend community language schools, are aimed at those whose parents are from another country and fluent in that language. He suggested that getting better parents was probably the best option. Some parents said that the structure of language programs in school is a problem and the same language they have been learning in primary school may not offered at the feeder high school.

Fête Committee Update - 14th October 2012

Not long now. Only 3 weeks or so to go!

All stalls, entertainment and layout are in place.

Amanda is ramping up the publicity machine.

Invoices for materials and services are coming in and Sandra has the payments under control. Thank-you Sandra.

Main tasks now are tying up a number of loose ends -eg. tracking down some equipment requests, Durkins pre-paid tickets book-keeping, the list goes on...

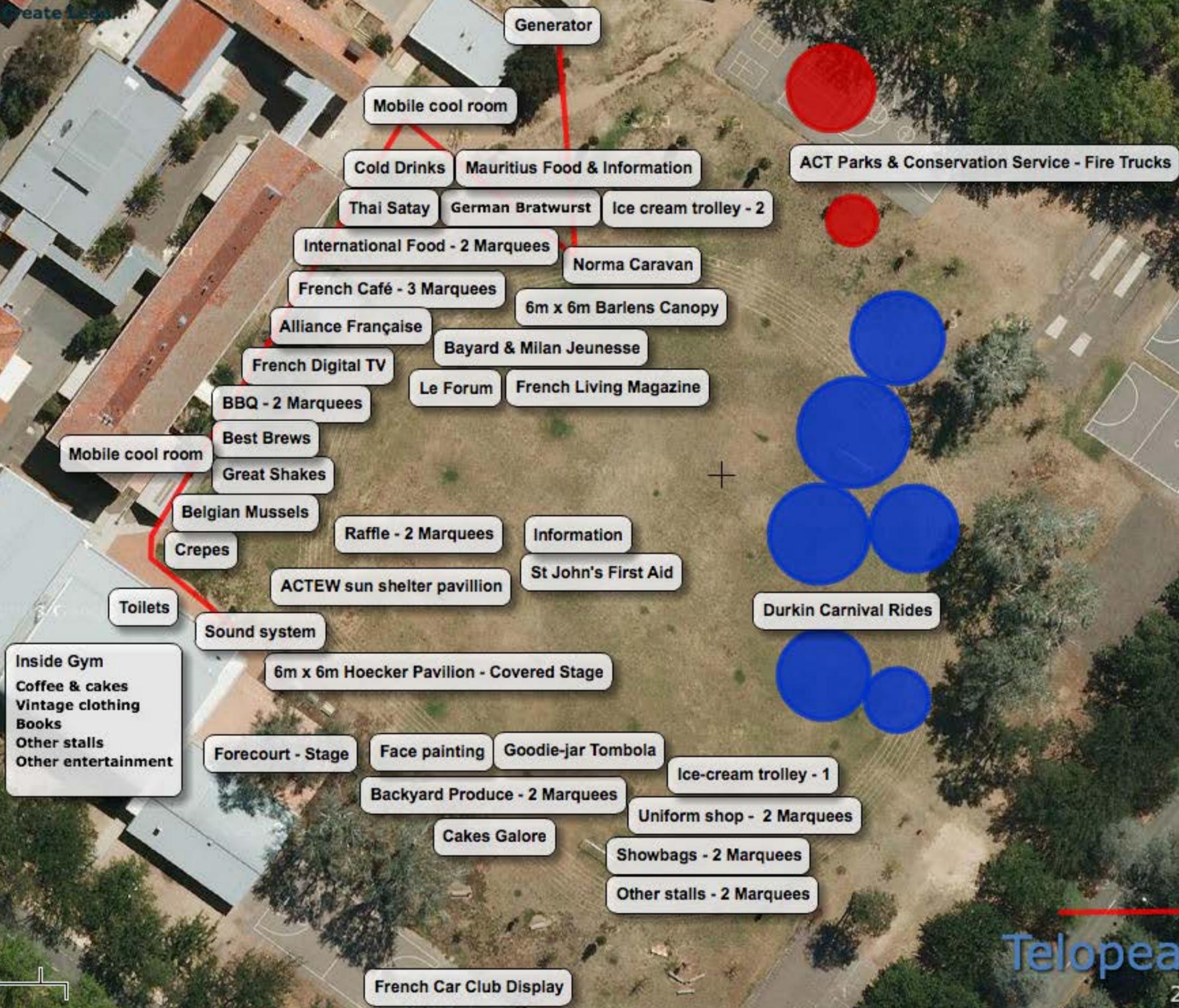
In the week before the fête - there will be a fair bit of running around collecting equipment and collecting food stuffs for some of the stalls. And no doubt trouble-shooting a few things we have forgotten!

One real need are volunteers to help set up and pack up the marquees, tables and chairs. And an 'emu-pick' and general tidy up on the Sunday so nothing is left in the gym or grounds for Monday.

Steve T (Food Stall Coordinator)



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Telopea Park School

2012 La Grande Fête Lavout



Telopea Park School Fête – Entertainment Schedule 2012

Time	Stage 1 (Forecourt Stage) & Stage 2 (Hoecker Pavillion)
2.30–2:40pm	Kindy Dances
2.40-2:50pm	Year 1 Dances
2.50-3:00pm	Year 3 Dances
3.00-3:10pm	Official Opening (MC)
3.10-3:15pm	Year 2 Dance
3.15-3:25pm	Maypole Years 2 & 4
3.25-3:30pm	Year 4 Dance
3.30-3:45pm	Year 5 & 6 Drumming
3.45-3:55pm	Year 5 Band
3.55-4:10pm	Year 6 Band
4:10–4:30pm	Year 7 combined bands
4:30-5:00pm	Sean Qui
5:00-5:30pm	Gede-Indonesian dancing, Senior school wind ensemble
5:30-6:00pm	Kocolocco
6:00-6:55pm	Senior Big Bands
6:55-7:00pm	Official Close (MC)

**Before and After School Care Sub Committee
P&C Meeting Report
17 October 2012**

Sub Committee Meeting

B&ASC held its Term 3 Sub Committee meeting on 25 September 2012. These meetings are held once a term and are open to all parents. One parent attended the meeting.

Holiday Program

The October holiday program was a huge success with between 35-45 children attending each day. The program offered a variety of excursions, incursions and activities. Excellent feedback was received from both parents and the children.

Parent Handbook

The program is currently developing a new Parent Handbook to be available in time for the Kindy Information night on 31 October 2012.

Behaviour Management Policy

The program has updated its behaviour management policy which will be included in the new Parent Handbook. It includes behaviour guidelines for the children. Children will be involved in writing up and decorating the guidelines (poster style) to display in the B&ASC room.

Staff

The program is currently considering options for a temporary replacement for Clare Swanston, the Coordinator, who is due to go on maternity leave after 23 November. This will include discussions with the Office for Children, Youth and Family Support.

Andrea Grazziadelli
Chair
Before and After School Sub Committee

**P & C meeting
17 October 2012**

Community and Fundraising Sub-committee Report

Family Breakfast

The second Family Breakfast for 2012 was held on Friday 7 September. It was well attended and received positively by many families.

The breakfast provided a social opportunity for school families, staff and students. There was also a fundraising element, with profits totalling \$872.

Art Show

The P&C's first Art Show was held on Thursday 27 September. A range of student and professional artwork was on display and for sale. There were several official speeches including from the newly arrived Cultural and Cooperation Counsellor at the French Embassy. There were also some student musical performances.

The event was attended by around 100-200 people. Around 130 framed student artworks were sold on the night. We hope that sales will continue during the first couple of weeks of Term 4.

Sales of professional artwork were low and there remain a number of art pieces that were donated by school families. We seek the P&C's views on possibly offering these for sale at La Grande Fete.

The art show was organised by a small number of very dedicated parents. Special mention goes to Kerri Elgar who came up with the idea and put in an extraordinary effort to bring the event to fruition.

Many positive comments were received from both staff and parents in relation to the art show concept and the ambience that was created in the hall. While it was a very successful social and cultural event, profits to date remain marginal, probably due to the relatively small number of people attending and corresponding lack of artwork sales.

If the art show is to be continued in future years, we propose that it could work better as a joint effort shared between the P&C and the school.

Commemorative recipe book

The subcommittee is continuing to work on a commemorative cookbook for release in 2013. We desperately need more recipe contributions from students, parents and staff of the school, and will send out a further reminder at the beginning of Term 4.

Primary School Disco

Following on from the success of the disco last year, another primary school disco will be held during October 2013. Planning is underway currently. Any volunteers who would like to help out with this event are invited to contact Louise Dalglish.

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