

**Turner School Parents & Citizens Association
Minutes of the Executive Meeting - Tuesday 20 July 2021, 7.00pm
(behind the stage of the main assembly hall)**

It is preferred that agenda items are notified to the Secretary, Vice President or President one week before the meeting and, if required, accompanied by a written report, and a written proposed motion.

The Turner School Parents and Citizens Association aims to improve the academic, social and emotional outcomes of students regardless of a student's ability, race, gender, religion or socio-economic status.

All members should remember to be punctual and be prepared, listen without interrupting, speak briefly and criticise the ideas not the person.

1. Welcome, Acknowledgement of Country and opening remarks (Chair)

We wish to acknowledge the traditional custodians of the land we are meeting on, the Ngunnawal people. We acknowledge and respect their continuing culture and the contribution they make to the life of Canberra and this region. We would also like to acknowledge and welcome other Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people who may be attending this evening's meeting.

Present: Amanda Bruce, Nathan Richards, Di Jones, Clem Jones, Allison Edmonds,
Nicola Gibson, Lucy Mossop

1. Welcome:

1.1 The meeting was opened by the Chair at 7.00 pm and they thanked everyone for attending.

1.2 **Apologies:** Robyn Watson, Dale Todling, Annie O'Connor, Kathy Moffatt, Jamie Todling, Aarathi Ayyar-Biddle, Renee Zwickelberg, Ole Nielsen

2. Business

2.1 Previous Meeting Minutes (June 2021)

It was Moved by the President and seconded by the Vice-President that the minutes of June 2021 be approved. **CARRIED**

2.2 Fundraising and parent engagement for 2021, including engagement survey

A number of survey responses had now been received. The Vice-President highlighted some areas of interest. The fete and the colour run were the most popular suggestions, with some respondents willing to help. In discussion it was agreed that volunteers are more likely if parents know what they need to do, and how many hours the commitment

will be (granularity). A mini twilight or weekend fete could be considered, in two stages, or a colour run (term 4 – week 11). Mini fete could focus on plants, books, food and an interactive for students, such as sideshow. A music schedule will be created to register interest of school, parent and community music groups playing at fetes or similar events. **ACTION:** President will communicate the survey results in the next newsletter.

2.3 Winter Disco

Winter Disco 25 August, from 5.30 – 7.30 pm. It was Moved by the Secretary and Seconded by the Vice President that modest costs are supported, and will include catering and heaters. **CARRIED**

2.4 Survey

School Board and P&C Survey – **ACTION:** Aarthi and Alison to complete on behalf of the Board and the P&C

2.5 President's Report

The President's written report had been circulated for July, as attached to these minutes.

2.6 Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer's report had been provided prior to the meeting. It was noted that a \$2,500 donation has been made to school for the artist and writers festival. The balance of the account is approximately \$36,000.

It was noted there is agreement for the P&C to investigate purchasing a pizza oven to drive community engagement and as an investment. **ACTION:** investigate pizza oven plus dough supply

2.7 Principal's Report

The Principal's report had been provided prior to the meeting. School Captains have done a mini workshop, and all invited to provide their feedback.

<https://sites.google.com/ed.act.edu.au/learning-from-home-hub/home>

2.8 Board Report

Lucy Mossop noted the Board meeting is next week. The school engagement piece is the main focus for the next meetings. The Board and the Newsletter will also be promoting volunteer contributions.

2.9 Public Officer Report

Annie provided an update via email. ACNC lodgement is being delayed as AGM 2019 minutes are required.

2.10 Communication (including P&C/CPC email lists, Facebook)

The Committee noted the update from Dale, including that three more volunteers for CPC are required.

2.11 Friday Lunch Orders Report

Nil update

2.12 Crazy Camel Report

Kathy provided an update via email. Artworks will be collected from the school at the end of this week.

2.13 Correspondence
Nil

3. Other Business

It was noted that the kindy afternoon in the Cultural Integrity Garden is 2-3pm, 20 August. P&C parent to attend

3.1 Next meeting date: 17 August 2021, 7pm, at Turner School Staff Room

4. Closure

4.1 The Chair closed the meeting at 8.17 pm.

ATTACHMENTS

- A. Action List
- B. President's report for July 2021
- C. Principal's report for July 2021

A Action List

	Action	Responsible	Date	Status (at 20 July)
1	ACNC. A statement is outstanding from the 2019 calendar year, with the next statement due for 2020. Report back at the end of June 2021	Vice-President and Public Officer	May 2021	In progress Annie will follow up to locate a copy of the 2019 AGM minutes, or submit a stat dec.
2	Disco winter BBQ - 25 August, President will organise a BBQ	President	June 2021	In progress
3	President will communicate the survey results in the next newsletter.	President	July 2021	New
4	Complete survey on behalf of the Board and the P&C (changes to the Act)	Aarthi and Alison	July 2021	New
5	Investigate pizza oven plus dough supply	Vice President	July 2021	New

Turner School P&C Association

Presidents Report for the P&C Meeting Tuesday 20th July 2021

Nicola Gibson

Welcome back to Term 3 – 2021

We hope all members of the Turner Primary community enjoyed a relaxing two week Term break.

Community Engagement

The Turner Primary P&C will be running a Winter Warmer event to coincide with the School disco on Wednesday the 25th August 2021. Hot Chocolate and a chat will be on offer to parents whilst they drop off/pick up children from the disco. At this stage, setup will need to commence by 5pm on the 25th August, a small number of volunteers will be required to assist. The P&C President has advised that she will act as Convenor for the event.

We have re-circulated the Parent Engagement survey, and are hoping to have additional responses and feedback from the school Community particularly around engagement and participation in P&C run events . We did have a small number of responses from the first survey, as communicated in our previous P&C Meeting, but would like to see if we can get a broader and larger volume of responses.

Spending Funds

We agreed on a donation of \$2,500 to the School in the previous P&C Meeting, this has now been transferred to the school bank account. The intention of the donation is to support the upcoming Artists and Writers Festival at Turner. An RSVP to the Blackout Poetry Event on the 5th August has been communicated to the school community.

Advocacy

The EDU School Boards has prepared a survey to provide some further background information to the changes made to the *Education Act 2004* and ask requested that each impacted school board and P&C Association complete a short online questionnaire to inform any further policy and process changes. I have tabled this for discussion in our P&C Meeting on the 20th July. The response is to be a compilation of responses from the School Board and the P&C.



Principal's Report to the P&C

Date: 20 July

Allison Edmonds

Learning and Teaching

Current learning and teaching focus areas

Welcome back in term 3. We have got an exciting term ahead and highlights include:

- Festival Week 4- *What if I was the author?*
- The 3-6 classes have curated an Earth Science Museum as part of their inquiries and as a 'tuning event' for the junior classes who will be investigating Earth Science this coming term. This is currently on display in the hall
- Our senior students taking up extra curricula sporting gala opportunities with the girls' basketball gala this week.
- A cold and successful athletics carnival was held on Monday

Staff professional learning:

- Congratulations to the 12 teachers who presented at the online national Literacy conference over the holidays- a new experience for us!
 - Kayla, Antonia, Robyn, Emily joined me to present a workshop on leading a whole school approach to reading improvement
 - Kailee, Jess, Taneal, Chelsea presented their work on strengthening the student and teacher partnership in learning literacy, and,
 - Helen, Katrina, Sammy and Tilly shared their research and practice related to promoting student agency in inclusive and disability learning settings.
- Emily and Ilesha will be joining me to present our 'Learner Assets' timeline and learning at tomorrow's contemporary literacies session.

Staffing:

We have some teacher changes this term while we have some staff on leave:

- We welcome Anna Przybylski who has joined us from interstate and is teaching in 3/4 Small Group

- Roger Rosser will be teaching visual arts in the senior school
- Young Lee is teaching a kindergarten class, and
- Erika Parkinson is teaching Indonesian across the school.

School Improvement

Our school captains have produced a 15 minute mini-workshop to gather your feedback around our vision and values. This available on our learning from home hub:

<https://sites.google.com/ed.act.edu.au/learning-from-home-hub/home>

We welcome you to complete this mini-workshop as a family entry or you can do it on your own.

The captains will be using your feedback to help shape our thinking as we move into the development of our next School Improvement Plan

Community Engagement

- Thank you to the parents and carers who have taken up the opportunity for parent teacher interviews over the past few weeks.

Allison Edmonds
