



Governing Council Minutes

31st October 2017

2017 Governing Council Members Attendance ✓ X	
Chair – Cheryl Yeend	✓
Deputy Chair – Brad Gould	✓
Secretary – Natalie Brook (Uniform)	✓
Treasurer – Doug Smith (Finance & Facilities)	✓
Parent – Mata Panagiotidis	✓
Parent – Paula Tresintsis	✓
Parent – Jennifer O'Shea	✓
Parent – Geoff Sorrell	X
Parent – Hilary Disley (Uniform)	✓
Parent – Helen Carroll-Welsh	✓
Parent – Ralf Matters (Facilities)	✓
Parent – Sybilla Keyes	✓
Parent – Samantha Corns	✓
Principal – David Harriss	✓
Staff – Sue Wilson (Finance & Facilities)	✓
Staff – Kirsty Ayris (Minutes)	✓
Staff – Sophie Pyromallis (Uniform)	✓
Staff – Deb Daniel (Student Voice)	✓
Student Voice Rep – Apology unavailable	X
Guest – Zoi Papafilopoulos & Tom Koutsantonis	✓

1. Welcome & Apologies

1.1. **Welcome & Apologies** Geoff Sorrell, Alphanso Sayee & Erfan Rezai.

No reply –

David Introduced Susan & everyone introduced themselves.

1.2. **REMINDER – Please respond to emails from Kirsty to let us know if you are or are not attending the GC Meetings.**

2. Acceptance of Previous Minutes

2.1. **Accepted by Doug, seconded by Hilary. – All in favour - Accepted. ✓**

3. Business Arising from Previous Minutes

3.1. **Year 12 Assembly – GC Reps 1st November Assembly**

- Paula, Doug, Brad & Hilary attending.
- Tuesday the 7th Orientation / Parent Info Evening– 630 Doug, Hilary, Brad attending.

3.2. **Fund My Community**

- Vote for Lockleys North as they have a Fund My Community initiative too.
- Helen has put an advertisement for our FMC in the Lockleys North Newsletter.
- David contacted the publisher of the negative comment and he reposted a positive comment.

3.3. **Watched a short film made by Paul Davies with our Underdale students that are studying Integrated Learning Stage 2 supporting the Special Olympics groups.**

3.4. **Governing Council End of 2017 Dinner – Kirsty will email out the food options** GC will pay for meals, all to pay for own drinks.

4. Correspondence – Secretary

- 10 % off a defibrillator through Seton – passed on to Susan (Business Manager).
- 4 applications for Extra Curricular Student Recognition – Sporting Grants: Henry Baynes, Sam Garden, Elen & Kiara Watson.
- **Accepted by Doug Smith, Seconded Brad Gould, All in favour – Accepted ✓**

Students to receive – \$200 each.

5. Reports: Student Voice – Deb Daniel.

5.1. **Student Voice Council Report 31st October 2017 by Alphanso**

- Student voice was able to establish a second hand uniform shop.
- The council was able to feedback to facilities team so more drinking fountains are available.
- Able to raise funds on important days such as: Non Uniform or themed days.
- Money raised is mostly going towards student facilities.
- This year we have raised \$1280 and with funds from 2016 now totals almost \$2500.
- The uniform sales have been a big fundraiser within in 1.5yrs we have raised over \$1500.
- I'd like to remind everyone that once you grow out of clothes or leave school any donations of school clothing or ties are great appreciated – they can be left with Ms Daniel, Support Services or at Reception.
- Student Voice have also supported the multicultural day, bullying no way, purple day and harmony day.
- Student voice was able to contribute productively in the decision of the school new badge and designs for our uniforms – shirt, jacket and zip windcheater.
- Most members of student's voice participated in open day which serves as an opportunity to promote the values and integrity of the school towards the community.
- Student voice played a major role in the improvement of student facilities by providing more seating areas in the court yard and on the oval.

- During meetings, the idea of organising the second season of "Underdale Got Talents" was discussed but didn't happen as a result of lack of participants.
- During week 6 this term there is be another non uniform day with money raised going towards the Women and Children's Foundation Team Kids which their next project is building a respite home at Victor Harbour for families.
- SV to discuss the Sun Smart Policy in their next meeting.

Cheryl congratulated the SV on their efforts in 2017 and asked for Deb to pass on their congratulations.

5.2. **Uniform – Sophie**

- New Jacket is now available.
- The kids really like these and they look fantastic!

School Uniform Shop Open Times

TERMS 1 & 4 - Monday 8:15 to 9:15am & Wednesday 2:15 to 3:15pm

TERMS 2 & 3 – 1st Monday of the Term 8:15 – 9:15 & then EVERY Wednesday 2:15 – 3:15pm.

- The track suit that was raised in the last meeting – initially brought to the attention of other staff members, David and Sophie to have a more in depth conversation with the Leadership team regarding the 'event track suit'.
- There are some reservations / concerns / issues around that this track suit will be worn as every day school uniform.
- Student comment was that they go to a lot of sporting events with lots of other DECD schools and Private schools that have awesome sports uniforms, they beat all of these schools but they look like 'crap', and they are sick of standing out as the team without a uniform.

5.3. **Treasurer / Finance – Susan & Doug – Report from Susan.**

- Closing Balance Year to Date - \$522,115.00
- Closing Balance Forecast - \$545,864.00
- Table Budget for September Period 9.
- General Ledger Balance Sheet for Current Year, Period 9 Total Liabilities and Equity - \$830,857.00.
- Total Revenue - \$560,219.97
- Total Surplus or (deficit funds) - \$303,449.23
- Materials & Services charge \$640 will remain the same.
- Poll Letter will be going out tomorrow Wednesday 1st November 2017.
- **Doug – move to approve the Materials & Services charge \$640 remains the same for 2018 – Seconded by Ralf Matters – All in favour – Approved. ✓**
- **Doug – move to approve the Notice of Materials and Services Charges for individual subjects for 2018 – Mata Panagiotis – All in favour – Approved. ✓**
- **David – move for Underdale High School to Support the Polling Process – 1 No 13 Yes – Approved. ✓**
- **Voting on the recoverable amount of \$310 is able to be recouped via debt collection.**

5.4. **Facilities – Sue & Ralf – Report from Susan.**

- Ongoing problem with the oval irrigation system / bore.
- Since 2014 when it was placed in the oval... there has been lots of fixing but no actual looking for what's causing it to need to be fixed.
- It's now at the point that it has stopped working altogether.
- Now the department have got involved and an expert is coming out to look at it properly.
- Was a \$255,000 bore that has never worked properly...
- The bore is used to water the oval, and because it isn't working... the oval is not being watered.
- Looking at connecting the oval to the mains until the bore is fixed.
- The bore is taking in very fine sand that is destroying the sprinkler heads; instead of them spinning around they are just shooting out water.
- The dept are taking it back to DPTI to sort out.

6. **Principals Report – David – Get David's report.**

- STEM – Starting in 3 weeks' time – Hansen & Yunkin have won the tender.
- \$400,000 under budget – looking into ways to spend the last of the \$ maybe a new outdoor Learning Area
- David has a meeting with the Hansen & Yunkin team on Friday.

7. **SPECIAL GUEST ADDRESS – TOM KOUTSANTONIS**

- Tom Introduced himself – Local MP & Treasurer of SA.
- Announced a \$692million dollar infrastructure spend on Education.
- 91 schools across the State will be upgraded.
- Tom congratulated the UHSGC on receiving the second highest amount of \$20 million.
- Fundamentally it is based on how best the school believes it should be spent.
- There is criteria that needs to be followed, ability to expand capacity, upgrades and improvements.
- \$ To be spent in 2018.
- Not an election promise, this is happening, the money has already been allocated.

- Underdale has been crying out for a big investment... this will definitely beat the 150k that UHS was requesting initially!
- Tom reiterated that he is not here to tell us how to spend it, he trust the principal and teaching staff to make the right decisions for the school, and what is best for our students.
- He believes that its time for a reset, this doesn't mean the History of the school should be ignored.
- Take on the bigger schools Adelaide & Henley High.
- There are ways to do this, if the Governing Council agrees...
- Consider a name change... for example: Kooyong College or Torrens College – ideas from a couple of years ago...
- Choice of school is definitely based on perception rather than reality.
- Tom decides time frames that the \$ needs to be spent by: Tom will liaise with David and work out what the spend timing of the \$ will look like – more than likely over the next 4 years... as you can't build everything at once..
- DPTI – charge schools a service fee to run programs, tom as the Treasurer is pushing these aside and give this \$ directly to education – Education spend as much of the \$ on schools.
- What Tom envisions in Public Schools is a legitimate mixed cohort representative of the community.
- Underdale has the ability to be a great example and advocate for public education in the Western Suburbs of Adelaide and the state.
- Ideally Tom would like Underdale and the 2 Lockleys Primary Schools to amalgamate, move to a new site and build a brand new western suburbs super school.
- But he doesn't think that the communities would agree to such a proposal.
- Year 7's are not moving into high schools in the foreseeable future - under the current government.
- **David** – This is a fantastic opportunity to upgrade the facilities to match the high levels of teaching that we have already got.
- **Helen** – Everyday at her school they ask their kids, where are you going? Why aren't you going to Underdale? Their responses always are, Reputation, What it looks like... they have no clue about the school itself, they aren't saying the year 12 results are poor, or certain teachers.. It's all based on what it looks like and its past reputation... has nothing to do with today.

8. General Business:

8.1.

- **Nil.**

9. Any Other Business:

9.1.

- **All to email Kirsty their intention for their position on UHS governing council ASAP please.**

9.2.

- Cheryl – Girls soccer teams won a trifecta this year! 3 championships! Awesome effort!
- Recognition was given on Facebook and the Newsletter.

Meeting Closed 8:30pm.

Next Meeting: Tuesday 28th November at 6:00pm.

NEXT MEETING AGENDA –

- 1.1. Sun Safe follow up – David