



Newcastle High School  
P&C ASSOCIATION

Parkway Avenue, Hamilton South NSW 2303

NEWCASTLE HIGH SCHOOL P & C ASSOCIATION  
REGULAR P&C MEETING MINUTES

TIME & DATE:	<b>Monday 7 Nov 2022</b> Opened: 5.35pm Chair: Rebecca W Acknowledgement of Country: Jo H
LOCATION:	<b>School Library</b>

ITEM	DISCUSSION	ACTION
	<b>Apologies</b> Karen W, Kylie C, Ally C	
1	<b>Minutes of the previous meeting</b> Secretary absent – no reference	President/Vice following up
2	<b>Presentations</b>  <b><u>Principal's Report:</u></b>  <b>Reference: Principal's Items Document</b>  Notes of specific discussion beyond content of report.  <b>New Build:</b> JR made note that RW is the parent rep on the new 'Newcastle Education Campus' working group and that the minutes of these meetings are public documents. <b>ACTION:</b> moving forward <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ RW tables these minutes for P&amp;C distribution</li><li>○ Suggestion - adding this representation on P&amp;C webpage</li></ul> <b>Trading a School Development Day in 2023:</b> <b>ENDORSED:</b> P&C agreed to the trade of Tues 19 Dec to 2x3-hour Twilight events	

**Year 10 “Formal”** – topic produced discussion.

**ACTION:** JR letter to parents, clarifying this is not a school event, including an explanation as to why it is not endorsed, very small number of students now leaving school in Year 10

**Uniform:**

- Always a topic producing discussion
- A wellbeing strategy presented to ‘provide’ uniform items to students that are able to provide them for themselves

**ENDORSED:** P&C supported the premise of a “strong uniform school”

**Toilets:**

- P&C emphasized that toilets are a genuine concern for many parents, and as such, worth the extra resource of increasing supervision.

**Behaviour in the Community:**

P&C added the following item to the agenda: *Managing antisocial off-site student behaviour before school while identifiable in NHS uniform – with specific reference to a group of students who apparently hang-out regularly near No.2 carpark possibly vaping.*

JR’s response in her report.

**Finance 2023:**

**\*\*STOP PRESS: P&C believe SPECIAL ATTENTION NEEDS TO BE GIVEN TO THIS NEWS\*\***

**Curriculum Reform Teacher Release**, a very positive proposal promoted by the Dept of Education, but to the surprise of attendees, will have to be funded by the school i.e. no additional funding will be provided by the government. The money to support this initiative, approx. \$160,000 will need to be found / reallocated from other needs in our current budget for 2023. This is very disappointing.

**Mobile Phone Consultation Update:**

**ENDORSED:** the consequence that confiscated phones will need to be collected by parent/carer.

**Forms & Planning for 2023 & Looking Ahead**

Discussion to be held over to next forum

**WELLBEING Presentation:**

By Tom Deane, Head Teacher

*Reference: Wellbeing Presentation Document*

**Orientation Day Year 7: Tues 29 Nov**

Invite to P&C to have a ‘stand’ at the “Parent Zone”. This will run from 9.15 until 10.15.

	<p><b><u>ACTION:</u></b> communicate with committee to organise representation at a stand – confirm our response to Tom by end of Week 6</p>	
3	<p><b>Business Arising</b></p> <p><b>Secretary's Report</b> – held over to next meeting</p> <p><b>ACNC Update</b> – see tabled report.</p>	<p>Secretary Ally C - apologies</p> <p>Rebecca W</p>
4	<p><b>Fundraising:</b></p> <p>Deb provided update hand-out to those in attendance (copy to be attached with mins)</p> <p><b><u>ACTION:</u></b> Deb to write-up a STEP-by-STEP process for ordering – to be email broadcast</p>	<p>Deb S</p>
5	<p><b>Presidents Report</b> – held over to next meeting</p>	<p>President Karen W - apologies</p>
6	<p><b>Treasurers Report</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• bank statement needs to be tabled as attachments to mins.</li> <li>• Raised the need to apply for a debit card</li> </ul>	<p>Myles W</p>
7	<p><b>General Business</b></p> <p>NOTE: P&amp;C Membership \$2.00 directly into P&amp;C Bank Account: <b>NHS P&amp;C Association</b> <b>BSB: 062821</b> <b>Acct: 00903409</b></p> <p>Close: 7.25</p>	
