Cheltenham Girls’ High School P&C Association

Minutes of Meeting Held Monday 29 October 2012

1. Welcome

The meeting commenced at 7:38 pm.

2. Apologies

Kathie Ardziejewska

3. Minutes of 3 September 2012 meeting

Accepted by Catherine Allen; seconded by Peggy Looby.

4. Guest Speaker – Ms Amy Harriman, Head Teacher PDHPE

Ms Harriman came to speak to the P&C about the upcoming Targeted Sports Program that will be introduced in 2013. Also in attendance were Ms Parkinson and Ms McLachlan from the PDHPE faculty.

The Targeted Sports Program aims to provide selected students with the opportunity to develop their talent and potential in their selected sport. The selection process is in 2 parts, comprising of a written Expression of Interest, followed by a sports trial based on skills, fitness and potential. Girls will also have to demonstrate commitment to their studies and have a satisfactory level of conduct.

3 sports will be offered to each of the Senior and Junior squads as follows:

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Around 30 girls will be selected for each squad and they will train during their sports times instead of doing integrated sports. Girls can trial for 2 sports but can only be selected for 1 squad. If selected, girls must attend all training sessions and competitions, and must also pay a fee to cover coaching, equipment and competition entry fees.

There is a 3-year plan for this program – Phase 1 will start in 2013, after which there will be an evaluation at the end of 2013, with the intention of extending the program to cover more sports e.g. swimming, athletics, long distance running, gymnastics, tennis, etc.

Ms Harriman took many questions from parents about both the Targeted and Integrated Sports Programs at Cheltenham.

5. Business Arising
Winter coats

- Stephanie Davison showed 2 samples of winter coats:
  - Sample 1 from Vestio for $110 each (excluding GST and freight) based on an order of 200 or more. This sample was made up in black, in the design of the current school coat. If we place an order, Vestio will dye an appropriate quantity of fabric in navy blue and make up the coats.
  - Sample 2 from Kelly Country for $75 each. This was not a made-up sample, just a fabric swatch so we were unable to assess it for quality of work like lining, seams, etc.
- Peggy Looby has also been speaking to a third supplier. This company supplies uniforms to Cherrybrook Technology HS and Murray Farm PS. They are unable to give us a price until we tell them how many coats we wish to order. However, they advise us to incorporate the school logo on the coat to keep uniform standards up and consistent in the school (to discourage parents from buying cheaper coats that are like the school coat but not quite).
- Our sports uniform supplier also took our coat to numerous suppliers who were not interested and also unable to do it for under $110 per coat.
- Peggy Looby questioned if parents would be willing to pay $125 ($110 plus GST plus freight) for a coat. The uniform shop is currently not selling too many $7 (good quality) blue socks when Lowes is selling them at $5 (not so good quality).
- It was discussed and agreed that the senior girls are unlikely to adopt the coat as it is not compulsory. However, we will include the coat in the uniform list for next year’s Year 7 intake and hopefully, the uptake will happen from the junior girls with each Year 7 intake.
- Catherine Allen has noticed that there are girls wearing a summer uniform that don’t look like the ‘normal’ uniform purchased from Lowes, they look slightly grey. It appears there is a shop in Carlingford who is selling cut-price Cheltenham uniforms. Susan Bridge will phone the Legal Department and see if any action can be taken against this shop.

Motion

- To spend up to $25,000 to purchase 200 navy winter coats from Vestio for the uniform shop to sell to students at $125 each.
- Moved by Stephanie Davison; seconded by Cheryl White. Voted in favour by all attendees.

EDUSS multi-touch interactive LCD panel

- Leigh Crangle addressed the P&C body about the need for an EDUSS multi-touch interactive LCD panel for the school library. Currently, the data projector in the library is in a fixed spot, which does not provide flexibility in terms of teaching space.
- Leigh would like to purchase a 65 inch EDUSS multi-touch interactive LCD panel for the library which would be placed on a motorised trolley, allowing the panel to be moved around to the different teaching spaces in the library. The trolley can also tilt the panel to a horizontal position, allowing students to gather around and work on it (like a big iPad!).
• Leigh has been quoted $10,054 for the panel and motorised trolley but is confident he can negotiate the price to under $10,000.

Motion

• To spend up to $10,000 from the P&C computer funds to purchase an EDUSS multi-touch interactive LCD panel with motorised trolley for the library.
• Moved by Denby Collinge; seconded by Cheryl White. Voted in favour by all attendees.

Sound and lighting booth

• As reported at the last meeting, Stephanie Davison has received one quote for the construction of the sound and lighting booth in the school hall.
• No further quotes have been received despite numerous attempts to obtain them.
• The quote received by Stephanie is from JCB Building Services and the amount quoted is $25,000. The builder has experience in doing building works in schools and is able to do the works in the next school holidays.
• Susan Bridge will refer the quote to the Northern Sydney Regional Asset Group for their approval, to ensure that the building works will meet standards set for the school.

Motion

• To spend up to $26,000 to build the sound and lighting booth in the school hall as quoted by JCB Building Services, pending approval from the Northern Sydney Regional Asset Group.
• Moved by Denby Collinge; seconded by Heather Rasker. Voted in favour by all attendees.

6. Principal’s Report

Canteen tender

• A panel consisting of 3 SRC students, Susan Bridge and Suellen Lawrence has been formed to assess the tenders for the school canteen.
• The panel has shortlisted 2 applicants who will be interviewed by this panel of 5.
• All votes in the panel are equal.
• The tender is for a period of 4 years.

Presentation Day – 11 December

• Tickets went on sale today and are expected to sell quickly as Sydney Town Hall has limited capacity for parents compared to the Sydney Opera House.
• There will be a Service Assembly in the school hall on Friday 14 December and Susan Bridge invited the P&C to nominate parents for service awards.

7. President’s Report
• Congratulations and good luck to the Year 12 girls in their HSC.
• Our next meeting will be the last one for the year where we will be asking parents to express interest in positions for next year. Positions will be voted on in the first meeting of next year.
• This last meeting is also an informal gathering where we will share some wine and cheese to wrap up the school year.
• This is Stephanie’s last year as President as she has served 3 years as President. Stephanie has phoned the NSW P&C Federation and asked if she is allowed to nominate for President again next year. The P&C Federation has advised that if no one else nominates for President next year, she may nominate again.
• Peggy Looby’s books / accounts in the uniform shop have not been audited for 3 years. Stephanie Davison said that Ben Nees (Treasurer) is making progress with getting all the P&C accounts audited.
• Peggy Looby needs help running the uniform shop on the Year 7 Orientation Day on Wednesday 5 December.

8. Next Meeting

Monday 26 November 2012

9. Close

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 9:33pm