

MODEL FARMS HIGH SCHOOL COUNCIL
MINUTES OF MEETING
HELD ON
WEDNESDAY 20th March 2013

PRESENT: Mason Kidd, Cassandra Easthorpe, Alison Hill, Brad Mitchell, Ken Masters, Lyn Loy, Steve Norcott, Donna Easthorpe, Lynne Bourke, Tina Bennett

APOLOGIES:

MEETING OPENED: 6.30pm

Brad welcomed everyone.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Motion: That the minutes of the previous meeting be accepted.

Moved: Lyn Loy Seconded: Ken Masters Carried

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE PREVIOUS MINUTES

- Nil

CORRESPONDENCE

- Nil

EXECUTIVE MEMBER'S REPORT

- The Kitchens are progressing slowly – the estimated hand over is at the end of the term.
- Winston Hills Rotary has offered community participation awards to the Model Farms community.
- Evaluations (Sport– Mark Anderson and Scripture – Mark Brady) will start next term involving P and C and a focus group.
- Enrolment – Primary schools sent out their letter and informed parents about the changes to enrolment policy (they have been informed in other ways as well) re proof of residency. An offer of a place will only be given to those who have proof of residency. The new policy is essential to allow the school to run – due to pressure on rooms.
- There has been an increase in staff of 1.4. The .4 person will be used for casual sick periods while the 1 position will be literacy, boys and girls programs.
- The Rock and Water program will be started in May based around the issues of bullying and self concept.
- The canteen has had work done recently which involved closing the canteen for a time on 5th to the 8th.

SCHOOL COUNCIL CERTIFICATES OF APPRECIATION/ACHIEVEMENT

- Neville Newton – For outstanding leadership of the exhibition and students at the Castle Hill Show. And 2 students for outstanding representation of Model Farms High School at The Castle Hill Show.
- Amir Saberian – For outstanding organising of fundraising during The World’s Greatest Shave.

GENERAL BUSINESS

- Membership of the Council 2013: 1 nomination has been received – Steve Norcott – elected. Brad Mitchell will not be standing for council this year. Donna Easthorpe also nominated - elected
- AGM is 10th April.
- If there are more community representatives available then Martin and Greg are willing to stand down. Lyn Loy will ask at the P and C for members who are willing to stand. If a couple of people were willing, one could stand as a community rep and one as a parent rep.
- Scripture: Generate has provided an additional person for scripture classes to relieve Matt Daley of some duties so he can do more chaplaincy.
- Tina outlined the idea of “validation” of ideas about schools as a method of school improvement rather than collecting data
- Martin suggested that the School Council was not really necessary to use as a focus group as so much surveying is now done on line.

MEETING CLOSED: 7.25 pm

NEXT MEETING: AGM 20th April Next General Meeting 15th May