Sydney Secondary College P&C Leichhardt Campus  
Minutes. September 2nd, 2013

Attendance: Recorded in attendance book. 11 P&C members, 1 staff member, 5 apologies

1. Welcome from president, Nick Potter.
2. Minutes of the previous meeting, August 5th, accepted by Patricia Ware, seconded by Karen Telfer.

3. Business Arising:
   3.1. Funding of new speakers for school hall approved at last meeting. $2500 committed for first 2 stages, which are to go ahead. For further review after that.
   3.2. Purchase and installation of soap dispensers and hand dryers in student toilets to go ahead. Will have 2 soap dispensers and 1 hand dryer in each.

4. Reports
   3.1. Principal’s Report:
   Tram Sheds update: The ‘assets’ department from the Department of Education have been to SSCL to assess the school’s need for more space. They believe classroom size is adequate. Don’t seem to take much else into account. We currently have 720 students at the school and the prediction is for 880 by 2015/16. Discussions continue.
   The school is moving towards ‘bring your own device’ (BYOD) for next year. i.e electronic device. James McMaster attended the Deputy Principal’s Conference last week and BYOD is the way of the future. SSCL is one of the first schools to jump on board with this. Equity and security issues are being discussed. The school will inform us of the specifications required.
   Melinda Bright sent a thank you to those who completed the online technology survey regarding BYOD.

   3.2. President’s Report:
   Tram Sheds: Parent, Howard Charles and College Principal, Judy Kelly, pushing acquisition of tram sheds. Minister not sure the buildings are appropriate for our use. Parent Liam O’Sullivan has set up a petition on change.org
   Nick Potter and Vanessa Palfreeman still working at getting student passes approved for the light rail from Dulwich Hill. Many letters have been written. Still waiting for a reply from Gladys Berejiklian’s office.
   Crowding on 413 bus route is an ongoing issue. Letters have been written to Jamie Parker, Greens MP for Balmain. Kingsgrove Bus Depot have now said they will review the situation next
3.3. Treasurer’s Report:
Final count for trivia night is ?.
Transfer of P&C bank account to Balmain branch of Bendigo Bank going well.
Annual $40 P&C contributions from parent body are down approx $10,000 from last year.
Contributions can be sent to the P&C via the school office.
James McMaster to ask staff at their executive meeting if they have any further funding requests.

3.4 Secretary’s Report:
Nothing to report.

4 Lostock Report:
Nothing to report

5 General Business:
5.1. Moomba: What is it? Moomba consists of classes made up of students from years 7-10. They meet 3 times weekly, Mon/Tues/Fri, for 15 mins after recess. There are 36 classes and some of these are specialist classes e.g. SRC, social justice group, gifted writers. It was developed from parent surveys some years ago and also from the DEAR (drop everything and read) Programme. It aims to enhance social skills and positive behaviour for learning skills.

5.2. Trivia Night: Fiona Law thanked everyone for their help with organising the trivia night. Thank you certificates ready to be sent to organisations that donated. P&C thrilled with the funds raised on the night.

6. Next P&C Meetings:
No meeting in October
Monday, November 4
Monday, December 2

Meeting closed 8pm.