

QMPS School Council Meeting Minutes
Monday 13 January 2025, 5:30pm
@Queen Mary Public School

- 1) **Welcome & Attendance:** Charlie Martin (Treasurer), Patricia Donnelly (Vice Chair), Sylvia Cashmore, Tienneke Demeester, Adam McCuthcheon, Amy Addison, Winston Bromley, Jill Staveley (secretary)
- 2) **Agenda Approval:**
 - 1st - Charlie
 - 2nd - Patricia
- 3) **Approval of last meeting's Minutes (02Dec2024)**
 - 1st - Charlie
 - 2nd - Sylvia
- 4) **Matters Arising: (group conversation)**
 - **Recipes in a Jar.** Fundraiser had some hurdles. Our order was not completed properly and now we're working to (a) return incorrect stock delivery, and (b) receive and distribute remaining orders that were not delivered before the break
 - **Art Cards for Kids** is moving along. Will take place after March Break. Request for in-class art helpers. Community member names were suggested, and potential to have High School Students in Visual Arts support the project.
ACTION:

Jill will follow up to confirm dates with Amy, and reach out to garner a volunteer crew to support the project
 - **Lottery License** was printed off and we went through the questions as a group.
NOTES:

Raffle dates will coincide with Footloose production (28April - 02May)
We will make 3 baskets on the following themes (that can be modified as needed based on donations) DATE NIGHT / RAINY DAY / FAMILY FUN
We expect that that total value of the raffle prizes will be around \$1000 (for the purposes of the form)
We will print 1000 numbered tickets and sell them for \$5/each

ACTION:

Amy will fill out the form & find out if we can sell raffle tickets through School Cash Online (and determine logistics/process)
Create letter from school/school council to send with volunteers to garner donations for baskets.
Advertising to the school community for donations will start before March Break.
- 5) **Principal's Report & Teachers Report (presented by Amy Addison)**
 - Basketball season
 - Monthly Assembly to build community and connection
 - Footloose dates have been booked (28April - 02May)
 - Nature Nancy had to be rebooked due to Cold Cold weather

- Quilt Talks visited the school to bring Indigenous conversations and understanding to the forefront of the reconciliation process within the public school system.
- Equity In Action, new initiative to highlight positive attributes of student community members, and celebrate them at monthly assemblies
- Bell lets Talk month in coming up
- Art for All focus in January is Health & Wellness
- Initiating Wellness Wednesdays for staff to prioritise health and well being for all members of the school
- Baskets were sent home to approximately QM 40 families before the break. The baskets included food, clothing and items donated by the QM & WPS communities.

ACTION:

Amy will continue to investigate information regarding Playground Project Accounting, as we have yet to see any invoices to determine what our balance is.

6) Treasurer's Report - Not Available

7) Dates/Planning for Council Activities

- Raffle: 28April - 02May, draw on Monday 05 May
- Art Cards - March, after break. Dates tbd
- Art Night - Waiting for PRO grant results. Suggested 2nd week of April (before Easter)
- Dance-a-thon - May (?)
- **Movie Night - Thursday 27 February.** Tienieke says they have the screen, Charlie & Patricia were talking about candy bags and hot chocolate. Amy will find list of movies we can play. ***pick something that is less scary and much shorter than Harry Potter.
- Dominoes - Spring (Charlie will follow up)

8) Next Meeting planned for Monday February 10th @ 5:30pm at QMPS

Meeting Adjourned.