

ASPLEY STATE SCHOOL COUNCIL

This is a synopsis of the School Council Meeting held on 31st October 2016

1. Previous Minutes and Business Arising

- Minutes from the previous meeting were discussed and accepted.
- The Dental Clinic which the Health Department is not removing/ pulling down but will use for storage.
- It was suggested that the P&C may be able to contact the local politicians around this issue
- The new School Council Handbook draft and the updated DETA Strategic Plan 2016-20 was tabled

2. Update of the Strategic Plan

- Updated the new Council members to the new Strategic Plan and how it must work within the Ed Qld guidelines
- A summary was tabled of where we are at from the Project Leaders perspectives.
- Getting Corporate/ philanthropic donations for projects could be an option
- Thanks was given for making the Strategic Plan a living document and coming to update the Council members

3. School Council Office Bearers (Chairperson, Secretary) elections

- Craig Spink nominated for Chairperson,
- Nelma Wright nominated for Secretary,

4. Principal's Report

- Thanks was given to Sharon Rodgers for her contributions to the school council and Stephen Solly was welcomed as the new incoming parent representative.
- A review of leadership roles under the Strategic Plan by focusing on where we want to get to in the future, how to get there and how to sustain the strategies
- How her role is to build the capacity of the school and create innovative futures
- School priorities for school improvement in 2017 include:
 - ✓ Curriculum (Curiosity & Powerful learning, develop teachers knowledge, further investigate IB program, continuing collaboration time for teachers)
 - ✓ Human Resources (maintain Master Teacher, Science Specialist, introducing LOTE to Yrs2-6, year level TA's, PDP's strengthened as teachers feel undervalued, formalise the contribution senior/ experienced teachers do,
 - ✓ Communication (student portfolios, 3 way student progress meetings, publish year level curriculum overview, class communication through email, EdStudio, dojo etc)

- ✓ Investing for Success (extra TA's for *Cycles of Support & Enrichment* and to support year levels, PD's for writing and pedagogy, Science Specialist for extra collaboration time, additional AO2 admin support)
- ✓ Predicted enrolments (744 students, 31 classes)
- ✓ Metropolitan Region Direction for 2017 (making sure most disadvantaged students given every opportunity for success, developing ways to learn together)

5. Current Work

- The Partnerships that the leadership team have engaged in;
 - ✓ Local member Tracy Davis
 - ✓ Independent Public School Alliance
 - ✓ Local Cluster of Schools
 - ✓ North District School Sports Chair
 - ✓ Transition to high school by Yr 5 students
 - ✓ Awards nights Craigslea & Wavell High Schools
- all members were given the School Survey to review
- A Budget Overview Report was tabled
- Ipad classes will continue for grades 4-6 and it was agreed that the levy will be \$110. Yr3 parents will need to know that iPads will be needed in Yr4.
- The second draft of the Council Handbook was disseminated for member's feedback.

6. General Business

- It was discussed that a blanket payment plan with an attached consent form for all year level activities. All Council members are in favour of this.
- It was raised about another Chaplaincy day which would require fundraising. This would increase the number of days to three.

7. Next Meeting

- Monday February 20th 2017.
- An AIP will be sent out for our perusal as soon as it is ready.