

## **School Council Report – June 2016**

Confirmation that an Expression of Interest had been submitted by the College Principal for the Doctors in Schools program was communicated. It was also confirmed that approximately 40 parents had responded to the student survey as requested at the last meeting.

### **Principals Report**

It was reported the reporting process had experienced some technical difficulties with the transition to Continuous Reporting and the use of a new reporting package. However, the reports are on track to be completed and will be distributed on the last of term. The building works completion date was Thursday the 16<sup>th</sup> of June. This did not occur and the new date has been listed as the 4<sup>th</sup> of July. The Whittlesea Tech School will be on site at Melbourne Polytechnic – Epping. The Strategic Charter is to be signed by all parties which will commence the establishment of the Tech School Committee. This project is exciting for the local community as it provides additional resources and courses around 'STEM' that would otherwise be inaccessible. The Strategic Charter has been included in the information sent to council so council can endorse the schools involvement with this project.

The Annual Implementation plan was reviewed by the School Improvement team using the 6 month review template provided by DET when creating this document and presented to school council. This document has also been provided to staff to assess our progress on the targeted initiatives as well as have input into the judgements made by the SIT.

The Year 7 Immunisations were held on Wednesday the 17<sup>th</sup> of June and it run very smoothly. Staff were also provide the opportunity to get a flu shot which around 20 staff took up the offer.

The school received a healthy figure of year 7 enrolments. Using the processes communicated in our enrolment pack the school will take in similar numbers to previous years. However due to the gender imbalance of more males to females it was decided that we would take additional female enrolments to even this up. All other year levels within the school have more males than females and this was a concern that needed to be addressed.

### **Education Sub-committee Report**

The Education Sub-Committee report was tabled and accepted. The information discussed included a report on Exam Feedback were Student behaviour was exemplary and all aspects went well, an update on the Continuous reporting process, an update on the new Literacy Program and the reviewed AIP document was presented.

### **Facilities Sub-committee Report – Incorporating OH&S**

The Facilities Sub-Committee report was tabled and accepted. The information discussed included a report on the Administration works with the builder is still maintaining that they will meet the completion date, Video Labs proposal is being looked at to set up video labs for teachers to be able to video their lesson and then watch it back to improve their teaching practice. It will be investigated what is required to set a lab up in regards to data, mounting and so forth before further discussions are had, a list of the works to be completed during the holidays was tabled and a Cameras in the gym quote was presented to install 7 cameras in the Gym as this is the only area that does not yet have cameras. It was asked if 7 cameras are required in that area and it was asked for the quote to be reworked on 4 cameras and then brought back to this committee.

### **Finance Sub-committee Report**

The Finance Sub-Committee report was tabled and accepted. The Financial reports and budget reports were presented and accepted. The information discussed included an upgrade of the Computer Labs. The IT department has put in a submission to replace 55 computers at a cost of \$46,985.00 in the library, room 419, Senior Study Centre and the Science Centre and 116 monitors at a further \$18,000. Due to the amount of money involved they will be asked to receive two further quotations and then bring the submission back to this committee.

### **Uniform Sub-committee Report**

The Uniform Sub-Committee report was tabled and accepted. The Uniform report included several discussion points included below

**Girls Short Sleeved Shirt**The SRC put in a proposal for the girls to have a short sleeved shirt added to their winter uniform. The boys do not have a short sleeved option in the winter uniform and this would just add further variations to the uniform degrading the quality look of the uniform. **Recommendation to School Council:** That a short sleeved shirt for the girls be added to the winter uniform be denied.

**Boys Long Sleeved Winter Shirt** - SSR have made a proposal that they provide a shirt to our boys that are entitled to receive assistance rather than providing funds for them to purchase one from our uniform shop. After discussion the **Recommendation to School Council:** That the proposal to allow SSR to provide shirts to our entitled students in place of our own shirts be denied. State Schools Relief also asked if they can sell their shoes from our Uniform Shop. This was also declined

**Girls Over blouse – the** Uniform Shop Manager presented a unisex shirt and girls over blouse for our consideration. The girl's over blouse is similar to our current over blouse. It is a little straighter in the cut which the girls would probably prefer to wear with the pants. The unisex shirt was assessed as not viable, however it was recommended that the over blouse be sent to School Council for more input.

#### **Student Representative Council Report –**

The SRC presented the Youth Election Platform developed in a SRC consultation process that was being presented to the local members involved in the Federal Election.

#### **OTHER BUSINESS:**

Student Code of Behaviour - Parents are asked to review this policy in preparation for review at next month's Council meeting.

AIP – 6 month assessment - The assessed AIP document was tabled and explained.

Tech Schools Strategic Charter – School Council Endorsement - There will be a Tech School on the NMIT Polytechnic site on Dalton Road. This will encourage more students to get involved with areas within the STEM areas. A motion was made 'That the Strategic Charter for the Whittlesea Tech School be endorsed by Lalor Secondary College.

Uniform Changes – a motion was made that "That the girl's over blouse remain in the original pattern and from the original supplier."

Overseas Camp Greece – a motion was made "That the planning for a trip to Greece in 2018 be approved."

LSC Equity Funding Report – A report requested by Central office was presented to school council.

**Meeting closed at 8.35pm**

**Next meeting Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> July at 7.00pm**

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