Meeting Opened: 7.40pm

Present: Tobi Craig, Jenny Durante, Annette Bevan Melinda Creamer, Steve Glenday, Sandra Coyte, Libby Ryder, Michelle Marland

Apologies: Kerrie Hamilton, Karen Cunningham, Donna Austin, Peter Dooley, Sonja Hammond

Minutes from Last Meeting: Accepted Annette Bevan 1st, Tobi Craig 2nd

Business Arising from Last Meeting:
- P&C donation was to CAPA not TAS

Report to P&C from Vincentia High School CAPA department re: $20 000 grant from VHS P&C for Photography
Firstly we wish to thank the P&C for their very generous donation of hard earned funds to support our rapidly growing Photography Department.
In the last 6 years our photography department has grown from 1 Visual Arts teacher with 2 Photography classes to 3 Visual Arts teachers with 7 Photography classes and many more students wanting to enroll in courses. As technology becomes more accessible, students are becoming more interested in learning the full range of applications for this very dynamic and flexible medium.
With your help we have been able to purchase the following equipment;
- 10 digital cameras
- 3 underwater cameras – for more experimental effects
- 5 video cameras
- 10 laptops – compatible with our video cameras and loaded with appropriate movie making software (students lap tops can not support movie making)
- 5 scanners
- 4 graphic tablets to allow drawings to be incorporated into photoshop images
- 5 tripods for portraiture and still life
By the middle of term 2 all photography classes had begun producing quality images with the new digital cameras.
The video cameras have been used to produce films in Drama classes and yr 11 students are story boarding ideas to produce films this term. Scanners and Graphic tablets have been connected to the laptops and yr 12 students in both Photography and Visual Arts are enjoying experimenting with these tools.
Tripods have been widely used by yr9 and 10 students to produce still life images for our “Mad Hatter” feature for this years Annual Visual Arts exhibition. During the last holiday Art staff and Mr Irvine assembled 2 sets of large shelving in a storeroom to house our new equipment and have organized installation of more power outlets for charging.
We look forward to showcasing the work produced with the new equipment at Yr12’s Big Night – wk 3 term 3 and VHS Annual Art exhibition in wk 7 term 3

Kind regards
Libby Ryder (HT CAPA) and the Visual Arts Staff
Correspondence: Melinda Creamer (see attached)
- Tomerong School – Claiming the Date
- Nowra Coaches – reply to correspondence
- P&C Federation Insurance (letter with Sonja H)

Treasurers Report: Financial Statement provided by Annette B - attached

Canteen Report: Tobi Craig (April, May attached)
- $25000 donation to school
- Had underpaid Mary for previous LSL, Tobi corrected and paid out $800

Principal Report: Steve Glenday
- Restaurant renovations will be at lock up stage by end term 3
- Defibrillator cost $3400
- Trading in bus – need 22 seater, new bus would cost approx $25 000
- Steve would like the P&C donation used to buy a new bus – signwriting would state donated by P&C 1st Jenny D 2nd Melinda C
- Front office has been revamped and will get new carpet and paint soon
- Parent/student info nights 10/11 – re: ATAR, ATAR VET and school to work
- School certificate will change next year – will advise when knows more
- All future school formals will be held at the school
- Yr 12 major works display 2 August 5.30pm – 7.30pm
- Newsletter is looking really good – Annette has done a great job
- Michelle Marland will be resigning from CLO position – paraprofessional will pick up some of the tasks, will advertise for a 2 day publicity position
- Government changes will result in 15% funding cut to State Schools
- Planning for 2012 will be completed early Term 3
- A number of teachers will be retiring at the end of 2011 and early 2012
- School has a new General Assistant

General Business:
Peter D: Tree planting day tomorrow 29/7 plants will arrive 8.20am in Toyota Prius courtesy of Toyota
8.30am Yr 7 will gather in COLA. Welcome to Country – Dance & Didge
8.45am Students will conduct planting with assistance from Vincentia Bushcare Group
10am activity ends
Request for any P&C members to contribute toward the morning tea items (cake, muffins etc)

Michelle M: Well Being web page will be created from the money that was not spent on the new sign
Michelle will contact James Coyte
Karen Chambers from BBCRI is liaising with Michelle re: updates, info etc
James will in turn consult with Jo Warren about concept, content and updates
Michelle submitted Volunteers Grant application and is preparing an application for Schools 1st to refurbish the cottage at the back of the school to create a School Community Hub

Tobi C: asked about Yr 10/11/12 lock in – Steve advised that Uni Tutors attend Tues & Wed for Uniconnect and senior attendance is building gradually
Melinda C: Re: assessment guidelines and how teachers adhere to them seems to be disordered – Steve advised that guidelines should be adhered to by teachers any problems speak to Head Teacher. Steve also informed that Yr 12 assessments for the whole year are listed at the beginning of term 1
Annette B: discussed inconsistencies in expectations of assigned tasks between teachers – Steve commented that planning and time management is crucial for senior students in particular
P&C meeting needs to be up on the front sign and all important messages need to be included

**Meeting Closed:** 9.10 pm

**Next Meeting:** 25 August 2011