

# Berendale School Council Meeting Minutes November 25 2015

**Present-** Paula Barnett, Rob Sands, Janet Smith, Maree Mc Cutcheon, Ruwanni Arambawela, Nada O'Dwyer, Wendy Smith, Bev Jackson, Tim Osmond, Kon Peltekis, Kirsty Berthelsen.

**Apologies-** Di Whelan,

Minutes of previous meeting- Moved- Wendy Smith  
Second- Janet Smith

**Correspondence**    **In-** Nil  
                                  **Out-** Nil

## **Reports-**

Principals Report , As attached

The Acting Principal position for term one 2016 has been appointed. Jenny Hamilton will fill the position.

The substantive position will be advertised during term one 2016.

The selection process and considerations during the process will be discussed in General Business.

In 2016 Berendale will operate with 2 Sub Schools. It is anticipated this will be more productive and enable staff to be deployed more effectively.

Leadership have been planning for the change for some time and it is expected to be a smooth transition.

The opening day for the SBAT Garden, Mosaic and Digital Stories went extremely well. The day was well attended by families and the general community.

## **Finance Report** (as attached)

October Accounts ratified for payment

High Yield Investment Account	\$199,868.20
Official Account	\$ 30,703.41
Bendigo Bank Term Deposit	\$ 58,904.61

**Finance-**            Moved- Kon Peltekis  
                                  Second- Tim Osmond

## **Budget 2015**

Kon Peltekis moved that the SRP budget and proposed sub program budgets for the year 2016 be accepted with modified budgets to be approved each month as required

**Moved:**            Kon Peltekis  
**Second:**         Tim Osmond

‘that the budget for 2016 be accepted’

## **General Business**

### **Computers-**

Byod for Berendale was Launched and was well attended by families. Initially it is aimed at the students from year 10 as they will be part of the program for 3 years, which is the length of the agreement. Parents have two options, part payment or up front payment. The school program is fully insured and all software is uploaded free.

Berendale will lease laptop computers at a ratio of one computer for every two students to ensure equity of access for those who do not participate in the Byod program.

### **School Organisation 2016-**

The new organisational structure for 2016 of two Sub Schools, Sub School One Yrs 7-9 and Sub School Two Yrs 10-13 was approved. It was agreed that there would be feedback to the School Council 6 months after the new structure was implemented.

### **School Fees-**

A policy asking the parents to pay school fees with a component for consumables and a component which is the voluntary contribution.

The school fees for Sub School One students will be \$615 plus a \$50 voluntary contribution per student and for Sub School 2 it will be \$776 plus a \$50 voluntary contribution.

School Council were in general agreement as there is provision for financial hardship and there is a policy "No Child Misses Out" at Berendale.

Moved- Kon Peltekis  
Second- Tim Osmond

### **Foundation/BGKLLN**

Still pursuing foundation status for BTGs.

The School Council agree to continue with the current arrangements for BGKLLN to continue to manage the Beyond The School Gates in 2016 until foundation status is instigated. All intellectual property and branding is to be transferred from Berendale to an independent body.

### **Dress Sale-**

School Council members agreed to support the "Dress Sale" on December 5<sup>th</sup>.

### **Brighton Grammar Camp**

Proposal for the annual camp for boys run by Brighton Grammar tabled.

Approved- Tim Osmond  
Second- Rob Sands

### **Principal Selection**

A general discussion about the process, role and responsibilities for the School Council in the process of principal selection for Berendale in 2016.

The School Council need to develop a direction they would like to see Berendale head.

It is important to consider the skill set they want the new principal to have. And it is vital that the process is followed to the letter.

### **Other Business**

Student Awards-

Principals Award- David Malenda

School Council Award- Sam Parsons

Resilience Award- Rebecca Mc Cormack

**Meeting closed at 7:40pm**

**Graduation December 1<sup>st</sup> Milanos.**