Minutes of School Association Meeting 19th August 2010

General Meeting

Present: Sandra French, Grace Brown, Meg Collidge, Wendy Cumming, Pam Rodwell, Cathy Bester

Apologies: Shirley Bischoff, Michelle Cooney

Meeting commenced at 3.30pm

Minutes from the previous meeting of 1st July 2010 accepted. Moved/2nd by Sandra F, Meg Collidge

Business Arising:
- Ability Holiday Program – Wendy reported that we will get the money. If Cheryl happy to co-ordinate again Ability would like her to do it. Grace and Cathy to speak to Cheryl. Age Group 12 and over (if gaps then will go lower). Respite Activity Program is available for younger age group.
- Sandra contacted Caroline about Music Program. This has started – more in Grace's report.
- Sandra went to Multicap production last Saturday
- Library – all is proceeding, it will be put in in the first week of the holidays
- Signatories – all has been taken care of. Meg now able to sign
- Communication Facilitator – money has been given so that Michelle Cooney can take on that role while Felicity is on leave

Correspondence
- P&S – state membership forms – Wendy to look into if this has been paid

Principals Report: as attached

Moved by Grace 2nd Wendy
- $5 000 grant – we haven't got it yet but Steven Loosemore away until 21st August, but likely that we will get the funding. Wendy questioned if we would need more money from Parent Group.
- Wendy suggested that we need an overview of what students are doing and why.
- Funding for Miranbeena music program will be needed – will look at this when Sandra comes back. We may also require some money for the new library – priority for next year.
- Jan Marinos – looking at paper sculpture – miniatures and something for the library

General Business:
- Meeting Wednesday 25th August – Anti-Discrimination Commissioner.
- Sandra's attendance at Education Forum – no invite had come to the Special School, (this really annoyed Sandra) her invitation was from Acton and Burnie High. Sandra spoke about disabilities – this was put in the paper. Gary Carpenter suggested that funding could be applied for Sandra spoke about how this should not have to be the process. Sandra spoke about Education, Respite and Teachers Aides.
• Reforms in Disability Sector - Gateway not what we thought. We, over past two years, have put together a very good Transition program for our students. In the past we have had other services come in to see how our students work in our environment - but there is now no funding for this to happen. 6 students across both campuses - money for this to happen would not be huge however Gateway etc have no funds for this to happen. POOD needs to be able to be extended into their adult lives - but without funding how will this happen when funding is not there.

• Cocktail Party - Wendy will email us regarding the set up. They have 9 sponsors so far and all is going well.

Meeting Closed 4.25pm

NEXT MEETING: Thursday 28th October at 3.15pm