Meeting opened: 7:18pm

Present: Joe Kiss, Jenny Kiss, Natalie McDonald, Donna Whitley, Abby Grimshaw, Lisa Small, Cecilia Whippy, Greg Doyle, Jasmine Venables, Debbie Manwaring

Apologies: Sarah Baxter, Kelly Baxter, Margaret Baxter, Ros McDonald, Trynie Owens

Minutes from previous AGM:
Moved by Donna
Seconded by Jasmine

Business arising: Discuss State Sport Representative

P&C Report:

Achievements for 2014
This year the CPS Parents and Citizens Association small but dedicated Committee have achieved the following;

- Contributed to the expense for 4 students who represented the School at State level
- Held a successful Easter raffle in April
- Held a successful Mother’s Day Stall in May
- Allocated money to the Garden Club to help with the beautification of the School gardens
- Cater breakfast to a Rally that came through town in August which helped us contribute money towards buying Ipads for the School
- Installed a Reverse Cycle Split System into the canteen
- Held a successful Father’s Day Stall in September
- Purchased some new sprinklers for the School
- Donation made to Royal Far West
- Held a successful Christmas raffle in December
On behalf of the P & C Association I would like to thank all the teachers, parents and carers who have helped us this year by the way of donations, helping to volunteer in the canteen and selling/buying raffle tickets. Congratulations to the Year 6 class of 2014 on their Graduation tonight hope you enjoy it and all the best for High School next year.

Regards,
Joe Kiss

Principal’s Report:

P&C Annual General Meeting – 12/3/15

Each year seems to start off even more settled with students and staff concentrating more on learning. This is a testament to the hard work done with PBL throughout last year, and the preceding years, to encourage students to be Strong, Smart and Proud and focus on learning. We recognise that the transition from one year to another, one teacher to another can still be extremely difficult for some children, and this can have an impact at the beginning of the year.

We have been off to a busy start with the swimming carnival, zone swimming carnival and the first round of the cricket knockout held. We were extremely fortunate to have a wonderful group of boys from the sports coaching class at the high school assist with both swimming carnivals. They were recognised by parents, staff and principals from other schools as being of a high calibre and having the ability to work well with adults, including having an appropriate sense of humour and work ethic. I would like to recognise Natalie McDonald for dealing with place ribbons for yet another carnival. Even though giving out ribbons to students in each heat was a P&C idea, Natalie has been the workhorse on every occasion in handing these out at swimming and athletics carnivals since the ribbons became available.

Last year we were without an Instructional Leader in the K-2 area after Mrs Diana Goodfellow left to take up another position on the coast. We are fortunate that we have an Instructional Leader this year. Ms Michelle Horvat has taken up the position, bringing with her a wealth of knowledge and experience working with staff and students in rural and remote schools.

There have been a few changes to teachers on class with some of our teachers that were working part-time returning to the classroom. We are pleased to see
Mr O’Leary and Ms Sanderson use their vast experience to teach students across our school as the TRS teachers and also working as RFF teachers. The students are reacting well to having teachers they know from previous classes working with them. There may still be a few minor changes or additions to staffing as Mrs Helyar takes time to have her new baby.

There were a great many positives in the areas of attendance and behaviour in the past year. Our attendance improved to 93.3%, exceeding the goal of 92% in 2014. This is partly to do with a decrease in the number of suspensions as student behaviour has improved within our school, with our school recognised widely as being a leader in PBL. With the change in the Exemption Policy we expect that the attendance rate will fall, though we are hoping that it doesn’t fall too far.

In 2015, we have changed the manner in which a banner award is given to recognise students who are always being Strong, Smart and Proud and displaying good attendance. To receive a banner award, students will earn wristbands each term. To earn a wristband, the children need to show that they are able to demonstrate that they follow each of the focus rules, are not placed on a level and have good attendance with all absences appropriately explained. The banner is the pinnacle of the awards on offer in our school. They are no longer linked to the bronze, silver, gold or new award of platinum, which are earned by collecting Good Ones.

At the end of last year I consulted with staff, parents and members of the SRC. We looked at why we are here, what we want to achieve and how we might do this. I am working with the school executive to pull this information together in the school plan for the next three years. The strategic directions that were identified revolve around effective teaching, engaged learners and an involved community. The funding we receive will be primarily utilised to support teachers become better at their craft and therefore engage students more effectively in their learning.

I would like to thank the P&C for the work done with the school in this last year. Thank you to the outgoing executive for your commitment. I look forward to working with the incoming executive this year, working together for the students of Condobolin Public School.

Deborah Nay
Treasurer’s Report:
The CPS Canteen had a loss of -$4,039.19 for the year. As the Audit was only handed to the Treasurer at 5pm today I didn’t have time to compare Audit for 2013 to the present Audit. Abby and Executives to compare and get back to Committee in regards to the loss.
Moved: Abby Grimshaw
Seconded: Natalie McDonald

Positions declared vacant for 2015

President: Joe Kiss nominated by Natalie McDonald seconded by Donna Whitley

Vice President: Natalie McDonald nominated by Joe Kiss seconded by Jasmine Venables

Secretary: Abby Grimshaw nominated by herself seconded by Jasmine Venables

Treasurer: Debbie Manwaring declined VACANT

General Business:
Membership remains at $2.00 for 2015

Presentation night: no change

Canteen: no change

Provision account: “Each year the account needs to be topped up as per previous amount to cover long-service leave, superannuation, etc.”

Motion: Leave Provision Account as is as the interest made in 2014 covers the top up amount.
Moved Jasmine Venables
Seconded Jenny Kiss

Auditing of books: Leave with Lewis & Redenbach

Life Membership: no change

State Sporting Representative: “To assist with costs associated with participating at State level the amount of $100 maximum per individual and $500 maximum per team is to be considered at the discretion of committee and subject to available P&C funds.”
Motion: Stays the same.
Moved Natalie McDonald
Seconded by Jenny Kiss

Meeting Closed: 7:55pm