NEWTOWN HIGH SCHOOL OF THE PERFORMING ARTS

P&C GENERAL MEETING 13TH March 2012

School Library

Attendance

Meeting was attended by 16 parent and Relieving Principal Peter Shields

Apologies

Stephen Gray, Betty Romeo, Deborah Charlton, Lyn Wise, Therese Hanrahan, Jenny Curtis, Anne Brophy and Therese Solomon.

Minutes of the February Meeting were accepted

Matters Arising – Nil

Correspondence:
Letter from NSW Education & Communities – School Global Funding $408,357 (Darren)
Membership Application x 3 (Mark Rolfe)
P&C Annual Conference paperwork (Kelly Burke)
Message to Affiliates
Work Health & Safety Act 2011 covering volunteers (Chris Wilkinson)
P&C Journals (tabled)
Information Brochures from :
Med Entry .edu.au
Marrickville Council Sport a Month March –AFL
Fundraising :
Cadbury

Principals Report: Peter Shields
Thanks to the P&C for their contributions to the school and school community.
US Dance Tour has had a huge success in the Dance Festival. Many students’ have received offers for scholarships. Congratulations to the dancers and tour in general.

Expressions of interest for Empowering Local Schools National Partnership were to be received by the 9TH March 2012. On behalf of the P&C Darren Mitchell was contacted and agreed to the application proceeding.
This is a Local Schools – Local Decisions funding program. NHSPA was involved in the trial which ended at the end of 2011. A Decision on the applications will be made by May. This will impact on the Global Budget.
Peter Shields thanked the P&C for supporting the submission.

A Block has been earmarked for a Heritage building restoration including seismic consolidation of chimneys, new roof, refurbishment of stairwells and replacemt of
sandstone blocks. This will not be funded from the Global Budget. The site office will be set up in the next week and it is expected that there will be disruptions to Drama and Music students and staff.

The Newtown Primary is in need of 2 demountables and these will be placed partly on NHSPA grounds. This affects the native tree corridor where trees will be removed and mulched for use in a future working bee to replant around these buildings. The primary school fence will go around the demountables.

A quote has been obtained for the spraying of two noxious weeds on the school oval. The 1st spraying $2560 and a 2nd follow up spraying 1250. Sydney council was approached for assistance with the cost but have not responded. A working bee will be needed after the spraying for the upkeep. Peter Shields has asked the P&C consider going 50/50 with the school in the funding of this project. In answer to a question Peter advised that the maintenance budget only covered lawn mowing.

NEXT MEETING: 9TH MAY 2012 6PM SCHOOL COMMON ROOM All Welcome

Meeting Closed Approx 7.45pm

Items for the May Agenda: NHSPA grounds space
Auditor
Delegates
Canteen Manager invited to speak