BLACKWOOD SPECIAL SCHOOLS OUTDOOR EDUCATION CENTRE
AGM MEETING
Monday 16th March 2015

AGENDA

Present:
Tony Bellette (Blackwood OEC) Judy Lonza (Frankston SDS) Luke Parker (Blackwood OEC)
Stewart Garrett (Ashwood) Helen Hatherly (Ashwood) Scott Tucker (Frankston SDS) Helen Gledhill (Bulleen)
Scott Tucker (Frankston SDS) Wendy Rice (Frankston SDS) Geoff Galloway (Frankston SDS)
Matt Copping (Horsham SDS) Matt Shakespeare (Mt Evelyn) Tony Thomas (Pass Life Member)
Steve Crossley (Portland Bay) Kate Russo (Vermont 5th) Jeff Heritage (Sunbury and MR)
Natalie Aleksejevs (Warringa Park) Peter Finch (Ascot Vale) Libby Pitrizello (Waratah SDS)
Jill Thompson (Springvale Park) Scott Tucker (Frankston SDS) Tony Thomas (Jackson)

Apologies:
Jackie Lowther (Springvale Park) Helen McCoy (Monash)
Christine Norman (Concord) Bev Fegan (Croxtown)
Michael Sertori (Croxtown) Chris Keating (DET)
Gill Callister (DET) Toniann Stitz (DET)
Raelene Kenny (Glenroy) Julie Nixon (Hepburn Shire)
David Bellette (Life Member) Marg Young (Life Member)
Paul McGraw (Life Member) Sandy Shaw (Newsboys)
Kathy and Laurie Haslem (Life Members) Roger Blackwell (Outdoor School)
Esther Hassett (Rosamond) Louise Holden (Ascot Vale)

Meeting opened 9.32am
Welcome by Judy Lonza

Minutes of Previous AGM – As attached
Moved: Kate Russo Seconded: Scott Tucker Carried

Business Arising from the Previous Minutes
NIL

President’s Report for 2014 – As Attached
‘That the President’s report be accepted’
Moved: Judy Lonza Sec: Jill Thompson Carried

Business Arising from President’s Report
NIL

A destination for exploration
Treasurer’s Report: - As Attached  
- Annual Reports for 2014  
- Auditors Report  
- Year Ending Bank Account Balances  
- Profit & Loss  
- 2015 Subscriptions & Fees  

‘That the Treasurer’s Report be Accepted’  
Moved: Peter Finch     Seconded: Matt Copping     Carried

Business Arising from Treasurer’s Report  
Subscriptions to be changed in 2015 – no longer any joint memberships and the levels will be based on Principals’ salary levels. Discussed that the memberships had not always been equitable, which was the basis for the change. Principal levels are based on SRF. This was the benchmark decided on and came to this decision after considerable discussion by the committee. The conversation can be had with the committee if a school feels they are just into a higher category and want this decision changed.  
Camp fees are now GST free as a result of us being a campus of Frankston SDS.

Manager’s Annual Report - As Attached  
Welcome to Luke and well done Tony for all your hard work in the past year.  
‘That the Manager’s report be accepted’  
Moved: Tony Bellette     Sec: Geoff Galloway     Carried

Business Arising from Manager’s Report  
Nil

General Business:-  
- Special resolution re:- Incorporation  
  Motion ‘that an application be made to cancel the Incorporation status of Blackwood.’  
  Moved: Judy Lonza     Seconded: Kate Russo  
  Discussion: As a campus of Frankston SDS the incorporated body cannot manage that campus. This is a step towards Blackwood being a school in its own right. Hoping Blackwood will get its own campus funding allocation in the future.  
  Passed

As a result of the motion a sub-committee of Frankston SDS will be formed. Nominations received from Peter Finch (Ascot Vale), Jill Tompson (Springvale Park), Kate Russo (Vermont South) and Judy Lonza (Frankston SDS) to be on the sub-committee and will represent member schools. Nominations from the floor called for. No more nominations received. Please see Scott if you would like to join this sub-committee. Members try to represent all schools, but that will be better achieved with more representation on the sub-committee.
Discussed ROSA - We are part of the organisation. Steve McMurtrie has a lot of contacts within the department and we can now draw on this information too. ROSA have written a submission and one of the ROSA priorities is to get a commercial kitchen for Blackwood. The membership fees are $20,000 of which Frankston SDS School council contributed $10,000. This also provides Luke and Tony like-minded people to liaise with and participate in PD with. Steve was introduced to everyone and he explained his role in further detail.

Suggestion was made that the name be changed to Blackwood Outdoor Education Specialist School. Please discuss with your schools and the sub-committee will discuss further and canvas the schools for responses.

Meeting closed : 10.25am

POST AGM

Blackwood SSOEC Sub-Committee Meeting  (Committee Only required)

Meeting Dates for 2015

Thursday 7th May           Croxton  4.30pm
Thursday 25th June          Springvale Park 4.30pm
Thursday 3rd September      Ascot Vale  4.30pm
Thursday 15th October       Melton  4.30pm
Thursday 3rd December      Blackwood  5pm
Friday 4th December         Golf Charity Day