



Cammeray Public School School Council

Meeting 21 April 2010: actions

Items

1. School Council guidelines / constitution (for agreement).
 - Minor changes including positive communication, Vice-President, election process for teachers
 - Next step after amending: send to P&C and Student Rep Council for comment
2. School budget plan and priorities.
 - PC explained current financial situation - in summary School does not have significant unbudgetted funds
 - Agreed PC will explain detail of forward budget to next SC meeting
 - Agreed PC will provide big-picture of whole budget situation to P&C meeting
3. Homework policy (for discussion).
 - Feedback from parents largely as expected: some felt too much, some too little, many questioned content and context
 - Agreed that there should be a set of principles for what homework is to achieve and all homework issued should match those principles.
 - Teachers to discuss appropriate principles and come back to next meeting.
4. 2009 parents survey. (PC to provide feedback).
 - Too few responses to extract truly meaningful results
 - Agreed that in 2010 survey would be prepared earlier and primarily done electronically
5. Student reports – inclusion of extra-curricular activities.
 - Teachers to look at inclusion of participation in extra-curricular activities where the child represents the School.
6. School Dux - is current approach appropriate? (discussion)
 - Discussed whether having a male and female dux is appropriate in modern world.
 - Discussed possibility of having a School Medal for any child who achieved above a certain high-level and a single Dux award.

- To be discussed again next meeting.

7. Speak-offs - voting for class reps.

- Agreed that the process of picking children to represent the class in speak-offs should be objective and not a class vote which runs the danger of being a popularity contest.

8. Principal's report – including building.

- Major digging works scheduled to take about 6 weeks.
- Looked at possibility of classes swapping rooms at some points during that time to share the disruption around.