1. **WELCOME**
   Meeting opened by Nick Miller in the Library at 7.15pm and welcomed guest presenters Jessie Wotton – Gonski Local Co-Ordinator for the Reid electorate (and primary school teacher) and Julia Alvarado, BGHS Head Teacher Secondary Studies.

2. **A. GUEST PRESENTATION – Jessie Wotton**
   Jessie presented the ‘I give a Gonski Campaign’ + video. Discussions included:
   - What is Gonski (background information).
     - Bring all schools to a resource standard – need both state and federal government level funding over full 6 years.
     - Federal govt only committed to first 4 years out of the proposed 6 years (currently in 2nd year).
     - However majority of funding is in the last 2 years which constitutes 2/3 of the funding to continue literacy, numeracy and support programs. Therefore aim is to ensure that the whole 6 years is funded for continued improvement. Federal Govt committed to only 35% of the total funding.
   - “I give a Gonski Campaign”
     - What schools are doing/have done with current Gonski funding.
     - What extra resources have schools been able to implement and what are the positive outcomes.
       - BGHS used funding for 3 x Liaison Officers (Korean, Chinese and Pacific Islander), bridging classes for newly arrived students and extra ESL classes. Future BGHS project is to run a Homework Center with qualified tutors for students needing assistance in English, Science and Maths.
       - The BGHS story will be featured in a promotional brochure reflecting positive student outcomes and community engagement.
   - What can schools/parents/community do to ensure continued funding?
     - Share Gonski information with friends/family/community
     - Sign ‘I give a Gonski” forms tonight.
     - Complete a volunteer form if you want to get more involved for our children
     - Share BGHS Gonski story amongst the community and local MP’s.
     - Attend BGHS P&C and discuss Gonski and funding to the school
     - Celebrate National Gonski Week beginning 20th October
     - Attend Community Gonski events

**B. GUEST PRESENTATION – Julia Alvarado**

Julia presented BGHS NAPLAN results – overall excellent outcomes.
- 167 Yr 7 students completed NAPLAN.
- Over 51% in band 8/9 for reading and numeracy, over 50% in band 7/8/9 for writing,
- 180 Year 9 completed NAPLAN.
Results are reviewed in terms of individual student performance and feedback on areas that need improvement.

180 students completed NAPLAN (only 1 student exempt). Data is reviewed in terms of comparison of growth between Year 7 to Year 9 to identify individual students who have fallen behind in specific areas. Overall excellent growth results (especially in reading component) except for writing component. Need to understand why this is happening in the writing component. It was noted that to improve in writing, BGHS will need to teach according to NAPLAN which is not school policy. It was also noted that Yr 10 English will be streamed in 2016.

3. **PRINCIPAL’S REPORT - Presented by Relieving Principal Karyn O’Brien**

3.1 **SUCCESSES**

3.1.1 HSC Music Soiree – Alissa Cayas invited to play at Encore.
3.1.2 Technology Committee meeting to implement parent/student portal via SENTRAL.
3.1.3 Year 8 attended Battle of the Minds hosted by Auburn Girls High.
3.1.4 Women in Leadership Student Forum in hall – Honourable Julie Bishop was the guest speaker and Craig Laundy, MP.
3.1.5 Dance Showcase included a Matinee for Croydon PS and Yr 7/8.
3.1.6 PACFest re-enactment at Dance Showcase teamed up with Ashfield Boys.
3.1.7 Yr 7 Gala Day led by Yr 10 PASS leaders.
3.1.8 Big Night Out 26 August – great success.
3.1.9 Gayby Baby - Numerous media attention – students interviewed handled themselves with poise and we are proud of our girls responses.
   - 15,777 likes and 3,735 shares on FACEBOOK with many positive responses from community, parents and politicians.
3.1.10 6th Annual Wear it Purple day celebrated.
3.1.11 Raised funds for Legacy
3.1.12 Students representing Women in Business
3.1.13 AOC’s Pierre de Coubertin - Winner 2015: Riley Michelmore, Year 12
3.1.14 Successful outcome from VET Hospitality and Entertainment audit
3.1.15 PACFest thank you dinner
3.1.16 Yr 8 to 9 subject selection information night - offering Just Journalism and Engineering Challenges again in 2016.
3.1.17 International Literacy Day
3.1.18 K Pop and drawing performance connecting with Korean community.
3.1.19 BEP North Coast String Tour
3.1.20 New school leaders announced
3.1.21 Year 12 graduation
3.1.22 Staff vs Students netball
3.1.23 Bridging class graduation
3.1.24 International Education Forum
3.1.25 Daniel Whittemore appointed new English / ESL teacher
3.1.26 Year 9 RAISE mentor program launched
3.1.27 Evacuation practise was successful
3.1.28 BEP Primary School workshop – BGHS students tutoring primary school students.
3.1.29 First of HSC exams went smoothly
3.1.30 10th annual year 7 GAT launch
3.1.32 Student leadership – BGHS student, Hannah Leahy Gatfield, raised $1000 to purchase a defibrillator, which was matched by the school.
3.1.33 BGHS supporting the Gonski campaign – sign on fence and attendance at Gonski events
3.1.34 Friendly netball game with Ashfield Boys
3.1.35 Mind Matters (minors) – team of teachers and students work together to encourage ways of looking at mental health.

3.1.36 New BGHS brochures under production

3.1.37 Wearable art displayed at Burwood Westfield

3.1.38 ESL students raising funds for Kids Cancer to encourage them to mingle with community and practise speaking English

3.1.39 Fiona Diakos appointed new HT Administration starting 2016

3.1.40 Future Events:
- Gonski Event for Reid electorate at Club Burwood, 29th Oct
- Gonski morning tea – 30th Oct
- Year 12 sign out days
- Year 12 formal
- Year 10 Uluru excursion – split into two groups
- Yr 7 vaccinations
- Yr 6 interviews
- Yr 9 camp
- P&C AGM in November

*Action: P&C Annual report to be compiled and submitted*

4. **PREVIOUS MINUTES**

   P&C Minutes 16 October 2015 were tabled –

   *Motion: Minutes adopted by Effie B and seconded by Helen*

5. **GENERAL BUSINESS**

   5.1 Uniform Shop – requires an update as one of the first facilities new parents visit. Also very difficult to store large amount of stock as purchases are made in bulk. Possibly organise a committee.

   *Action: Elaine to organise 2 quotes and storage plans. Motion adopted by Effie B, seconded by Colin.*

6. **TREASURER’S REPORT**

   6.1 Effie B provided report. As of 19 August, funds total at $31,174.61. After adding interest ($2.21) and deducting expenses for band camp student attendance ($250), graduation cake ($180) and music storage room renovations ($698.78), total balance as of 21 October is $30,048.05.

   *Motion: Report adopted by Perry and seconded by Elaine.*

   6.2 **Uniform Shop Report**

   6.2.1 Elaine provided report. As of 11 October, funds total at $11,103.37. After adding deposits and credit cards ($4,958) and deducting supplier payment ($7276), total balance as of 21 October is $8705.00.

   Uniforms have been ordered for November Yr.6 interviews. Special senior rates will be organised after Yr 7 interviews.

   *Motion: Report adopted by Effie B and seconded by Fiona*
6.1.2 Many instances where girls are borrowing blazers from Uniform Shop eg. chess club, debating etc. These blazers cannot be resold as “new” and in some cases need to be dry cleaned. Suggest a $10 hiring fee each time.

Motion: for hiring fee adopted by Effie B and seconded by Fiona

6.1.3 All prefects and SRC are encouraged to have own blazer.

7. CORRESPONDENCE

7.1 P&C Magazine

8. OTHER BUSINESS

8.1 There are several Year 12 parents who are leaving this year. A special thank you to Effie B and Helen D who have been involved with P&C for 6 years. Encourage Yr7 parents to participate, as more Yr 12 parents will be leaving the following year.

8.2 Note recent media (Daily Telegraph) response to Gayby Baby screening and alleged parent outrage. Nick M did not receive any “outraged” parent calls – only calls from the media and parents who indicated how proud they were of the school. The P&C support the action / response by the school and especially the students who handled the situation with integrity.

8.3 Effie B indicated the quality of the food at the Yr 12 graduation was wonderful. However it came out after the graduation. It was suggested that the food is available at 6pm, before the graduation ceremony, as parents come to school straight after work. Karyn O’Brien indicated that this was addressed at the executive committee and food will be served before the ceremony and cake served afterwards.

Meeting closed at 9.10 pm - Next Meeting + AGM: Wednesday 18 November 2015.