

MINUTES

Currimundi State School P & C General Meeting

Wed 29th July 2026 | *Currimundi State School* | *Staff Room*

CHAIRPERSON: Karleigh Wood

Meeting Commenced at: 3:08pm

Welcome & Acknowledgement of Country

Quorum of existing members reached: 17 yes

ATTENDANCE: Tim Burns, Karleigh Wood, Donna Pitot, K Sass, Darren Buswell, Bettina Houtsma, Amelia Gray, Kath Reed, Cristin Smith, Danielle Hooper, Hannah Payer, Amanda Brewer, Aaron Willis, Stephanie Goodlet, Kath Reed

Via Teams: Diana Ruiz, Amy Poiner

APOLOGIES: Katelin Feste, Keirra Cadioli, Shannon Champion, James Woodbury, Michelle Ali, Rhyannon Preston, Hon. Jarrod Bleijie

Motion: *That previous minutes be taken as read and confirmed.*

Motion: **Hannah**

Seconded: **Kristin**

Result: **CARRIED**

Business Arising since last meeting

- **50-Year Anniversary (2027):** No Update
- **Garden Working Bee:** Considering dates – see report section
- **Term 3 Community Event (Movie Night):** Update included in General Business
- **Ballinger Beach Survey**
 - Councillor Tim Burns advised that the Ballinger Beach survey will be sent to the school again and requested that it be circulated to the wider school community.
 - School families and staff will be encouraged to provide feedback either by completing the online survey via the link provided or by submitting a response directly via email.
- **Tuckshop Beautification:** Completed over the holidays and looks amazing, thanks to Jess & Steph
- **Mulch for Garden Beds:** Extra mulch provided from tree removal
- **Sock Nation:** The fundraising proposal was declined due to a potential conflict of interest, concerns regarding profitability and pricing, and logistical considerations.

Business Carried over from General meeting - March 18th

- **House Colour Hats** – Investigation of alternative breathable fabric options – We continue to investigate suppliers for breathable reversible school hats and hope to present suitable options to the committee once available.
- **Membership Process 2026** – Update on member resubmissions via new system – on hold
- **House Names Review** – Update following Indigenous community consultation – no update

Ratification of Executive Committee's Decisions:

The Executive Committee approved a donation of a \$200 Tuckshop Voucher to support the child of a Currimundi State School family following the parent's catastrophic brain aneurysm. The donation was made to assist the family during this difficult time.

The Executive resolved not to proceed with the Principal's Car Park Raffle in Term 3 or 4 due to low participation and fundraising returns in Term 2. The initiative will be paused and reviewed at a later date.

That the P&C ratifies the Executive decisions made between meetings as tabled.

Motion: That the P&C ratify the Executive Committee decisions made between meetings as tabled.

Motion: **Darren** Seconded: **Dani** Result: CARRIED

CORRESPONDENCE

See agenda for full list of correspondence

Motion: That the inwards correspondence be received, and the outwards correspondence be endorsed.

Motion: **Hannah** Seconded: **Dani** Result: CARRIED

REPORTS

Treasurers Report

The Treasurer's Report was tabled. Karleigh informed members of written correspondence received by the Executive Committee regarding a reported tuckshop loss of approximately \$10,000 that was not reflected in the report presented.

Clarification has been requested but had not yet been received at the time of the meeting. Members agreed that further information was required before the report could be adopted.

Motion: That adoption of the Treasurer's Report be deferred pending clarification of the reported tuckshop loss and reconciliation of the financial information provided.

Motion: **Steph** Seconded: **Cristin** Result: CARRIED

Principal's Report

- All information included in the Report

Principal's Report – Summary

The Principal presented the report and highlighted key updates. Current student enrolment stands at **581 students**.

The school continues to achieve strong outcomes, with positive **Semester 1 results**, high attendance rates, and ongoing improvements in student performance.

Several facilities projects are progressing:

- Pathway works are currently underway.
- **B Block** is nearing completion, with cabinetry installation in progress and completion expected by the end of the month.
- Bike parking upgrades will commence shortly, with the pathway works to be completed prior to installation of the bike racks.
- The new concrete bike pad for the Prep bike rack has been well received.
- The Prep playground upgrade has been completed using recycled bark from the removed trees; however, the existing rock cannot be removed due to its depth.

Aaron thanked staff for their support and leadership during his absence and acknowledged Steph's ongoing work in the school gardens, noting the significant improvement to the school grounds.

2027 Prep enrolments remain a focus, with approximately **50 enrolments received to date**. The school is aiming for **60 enrolments** to support three Prep classes next year.

An update was provided on **Tuff Curra**.

Positive feedback was received on the revised, smaller Tuff Curra course, with students completing more laps and parents having greater opportunities to engage.

Tina raised the possibility of the P&C taking a greater role in coordinating the event in future, alongside Mr Jones. It was acknowledged that this would require significant volunteer support; however, a larger proportion of funds raised could potentially be retained by the school rather than being allocated to prizes and administration costs.

Discussion was held regarding whether the Australian Fundraising company could offer the option of directing all profits raised back to the school instead of offering prize incentives. **This option will be investigated further by Aaron.**

Members noted that views on fundraising prizes vary. Previous discussions have highlighted that prizes can encourage greater participation, while others believe the funds would be better directed straight to the school.

Ways to increase participation in future years were also discussed. It was confirmed that participation in the event is not restricted to students who fundraise.

Action: Aaron to investigate whether future Tuff Curra fundraising can direct more funds back to the school rather than prize incentives.

Fundraising Report

- Tuff Curra T-Shirt Fundraiser – all information included in the report
- Pie Drive – Not received

Tuckshop Report

Karleigh presented the Tuckshop Report and highlighted the following;

- Jess is trialing Friday morning shifts, increasing tuckshop capacity following the loss of a regular volunteer.
- A QAST review has been completed, with recommendations to be reviewed once the report is received.
- A request to lower the price of the cargo shorts will be addressed in the General Business section.

Transport and pedestrian Report

No formal report was presented.

Environmental & Sustainability Report

All information included in the report

Working Bee

- Steph is progressing plans for a Working Bee in late August or early September.
- Aaron supported proceeding with the event, provided it is clearly communicated that parents/carers remain responsible for the supervision and safety of any children they bring to the Working Bee.
- The primary task for the Working Bee will be spreading mulch to garden areas along the driveway.
- Jacinta requested permission to plant flowers in the garden beds beside the water tanks, which was approved. These garden beds are ready for planting.
- Fiona raised the question of possibly removing the garden bed in front of the demountable to help reduce potential snake habitat.

Action: Steph to finalise plans for a Working Bee in late August/early September and update the P&C / School.

Motion: *That all reports above be accepted.*

Motion: Kristen

Seconded: Darren

Result: CARRIED

Break for pass the parcel

GENERAL BUSINESS

Additional Item

Motion: Clearance Sale of Old-Style Cargo Shorts

A motion was presented seeking approval to sell the remaining stock of old-style cargo shorts at a reduced clearance price to clear inventory and free up storage space.

Members agreed that additional information was required before determining an appropriate sale price. Information requested included:

- The number of shorts remaining in stock.
- How long the stock has been held.
- The original purchase cost
- Potential discount options
- Whether donation of the remaining stock may be a suitable alternative, depending on stock levels and purchase price.

Further consideration of the motion was deferred pending receipt of this information and will be included on the next meeting agenda.

Action: Tuckshop Convenor to provide information on remaining old-style cargo shorts stock, purchase costs and stock age to help determine a clearance sale strategy.

1. Community Event / Movie Night

Discussion was held regarding the proposed **Community Movie Night**, including event timing, venue availability, catering, sponsorship, and volunteer requirements.

- Members expressed support for the event, with Sam keen to coordinate the Movie Night.
- It was acknowledged that the event requires significant planning and volunteer support.
- Timing was discussed, with challenges identified around balancing suitable weather, daylight hours, and avoiding clashes with other school and community events.
- Several potential Saturday dates were considered; however, both presented conflicts with other commitments, including Father's Day, the student-free day, the Beach Carnival, and the Currimundi Football Club Presentation Day.
- Members discussed the possibility of holding the event on a **Friday evening** instead of a Saturday. This was considered a more family-friendly option, reducing volunteer requirements and allowing families to purchase dinner at the event before the weekend.
- A simplified catering model was proposed, including:
 - Pre-ordered whole pizzas supplied by a food vendor.
 - Drinks, popcorn, lollies, and other snacks available for sale.
 - Potential for unsold non-perishable stock to be used at the School Disco.
- A wet weather backup option of relocating the event to the school hall was discussed, although an outdoor event remains the preferred option.
- It was noted that community movie nights typically rely on **sponsorship** rather than ticket sales to remain affordable and accessible.
- Sponsorship opportunities should be pursued as soon as possible.

Movie Selection

- The movie must be family-friendly and subject to licensing availability and costs.
- Licensing fees are expected to be approximately **\$250-\$350**.
- The possibility of linking the movie to the announcement of the next school musical was discussed, subject to consultation with the musical team.

Actions:

- Karleigh to discuss the Friday evening concept with Sam and investigate suitable dates.

- Investigate sponsorship opportunities for the event.
- Confirm movie licensing options and costs once a date is selected.

2. Father's Day Stall

Discussion:

- Karleigh provided an update on behalf of Samantha, advising that purchasing of Father's Day Stall items is currently underway.
- The committee discussed the buddy system used at previous stalls.
- Feedback indicated that the buddy system was successful for some students but was not consistently effective across all year levels.

Concerns raised included:

- Some teachers did not distribute vouchers to students until they arrived at the stall.
- Some older buddies did not adequately assist their younger buddies with purchasing decisions.
- Some younger students did not understand how the voucher system worked and were unaware that they could continue spending any remaining voucher balance after making an initial purchase.

Action Items: Review and improve arrangements for the Father's Day Stall, including:

- Buddy system effectiveness, strategies to ensure older buddies appropriately support younger students
- Teacher communication regarding voucher distribution
- Student instructions on voucher use and remaining balance use

3. Bullying No Way Day / Kids Helpline Anti-Bullying Event

Background:

Bullying No-Way-Day is a free national online event run by Kids Helpline during Bullying No Way Week. Schools register classes to attend a 30-minute live-streamed lesson via Zoom, with separate sessions tailored for different age groups. Schools can either watch it live or access the recording later. Kids Helpline provides the lesson and follow-up resources.

Discussion noted:

- The school has already registered for the program.
- The event is delivered online and includes age-appropriate sessions for different year levels.
- As the sessions are recorded, teachers can access and deliver the content at a time that best suits their classroom schedules.
- The program will be incorporated into normal classroom activities rather than as a separate event.
- In addition to the presentation, teachers will have access to supporting resources and follow-up materials.
- It was noted that while the event itself does not directly prevent bullying, it provides valuable resources and discussion opportunities to support student learning and wellbeing.

4. Prep Playground, B Block Update & Tree Replanting

Aaron provided an update on the **Prep Playground**

- Now that the trees have been removed, the area will be levelled and turfed, making it suitable for student use.
- Further planning regarding the future regeneration and use of the space will occur following handover of the site and completion of the turf.
- Concerns were raised regarding damage to a concrete footpath, believed to have been caused by construction vehicles entering and exiting the site. Aaron will inspect the area and arrange repairs if required.
- Row of trees along Eastern entry – no update at this stage

Actions:

- Aaron to inspect the damaged footpath and arrange repairs if necessary.
- Further discussion on Prep Playground regeneration and tree replanting once works are completed.

5. Skateboarding Program Proposal

Kath Reed presented a proposal regarding the introduction of a **skateboarding program** at the school (refer supporting documentation).

Discussion noted:

- Aaron expressed support for the concept and advised that the preferred approach would be to commence with a **venue hire arrangement**, whereby the provider hires the school grounds and delivers the program independently.
- Under this model, all costs, bookings, supervision, risk assessments, equipment, and program delivery would be managed by **Chiggy's Skateboarding**.
- This approach would minimise the administrative and operational burden on the school while allowing interest in the program to be assessed.
- It was noted that if strong interest is demonstrated, opportunities to further integrate the program with the school could be explored in the future.
- Program costs would be determined by the provider, however fees would be based on a group program and are expected to be lower than private lessons.
- An indicative ratio of approximately **one coach per 20 students** was discussed.

Actions:

- Aaron to liaise with Mat from Chiggy's Skateboarding to obtain pricing and explore suitable delivery arrangements.
- An Expression of Interest (EOI) to be distributed to families once further information is available.
- Subject to sufficient interest, the program may be offered on a term-by-term basis.

6. RideScore Challenge

Dani provided an update on the **RideScore Challenge**, noting that **Currimundi State School is currently leading the overall participation leaderboard**.

Discussion noted:

- The upcoming RideScore Challenge will run during **Weeks 7 and 8**.
- It is hoped that the new bike racks will be installed before the challenge begins.
- Tina will liaise with the program coordinator, Colleen, to obtain promotional material for sharing with the school community.
- Amelia offered to assist by sharing RideScore posts through P&C channels.
- The most significant benefit of the program continues to be the reduction in traffic congestion around the school.
- Student interest in the program remains strong, with many students keen to participate and work towards rewards.
- Aaron mentioned that the program has encouraged some students to attend school more regularly by providing an additional incentive to participate.
- Councillor Tim Burns has promoted Currimundi's success with neighbouring schools, helping to build friendly competition between participating schools.
- It was noted that Currimundi has achieved exceptional uptake of the program, with students collectively recording approximately **25,000 kilometres** travelled.
- Spare RideScore beacons are available from the school office for students who require them.

Actions:

- Tina to obtain promotional material from the RideScore coordinator.
- Amelia to share RideScore promotional posts through P&C channels.

7. Date of Next Meeting

The next P&C meeting is scheduled for the same afternoon as the Prep 2027 Parent Information Session.

Mandy and Tina advised that the clash is manageable, as Aaron will only be required at the information session for a short period and will attend the P&C meeting afterwards.

It was agreed that no change is required to the meeting date, and the meeting will proceed as scheduled.

Dates for the Diary:

Term 3

- Family/Community/Movie night – Date to be confirmed

AGENDA ITEMS NOT DISCUSSED – For Discussion Next Meeting

n/a

Administration Items

- When acting on behalf of the P&C, please cc: pandc@currimundiss.eq.edu.au so the correspondence can be recorded.
- For all agenda item requests please put in writing and email directly to secretary@pandccurrimundiss.onmicrosoft.com
- Reports & Agenda item requests must be submitted by 5pm on the Thursday prior to each meeting.

Next Meeting: 2nd September 2026

2026 Remaining Meetings:

- 21st Oct
- 25th Nov

CLOSURE

Meeting Closed at: 4.28 pm

Signed Date

Karleigh Wood
President – Currimundi State School P&C
