

**General Meeting Minutes  
Aldridge State High School P&C Association**

<b>Agenda Item</b>	
<b>Date:</b>	25 <sup>th</sup> of August 2025
<b>Venue:</b>	Aldridge State High School Conference Room
<b>Opening and welcome by the Chair</b>	Opening: Amanda Wilcox Followed by: Megan Maher
<b>Opened at:</b>	4.40pm
<b>Present:</b>	David Burns, Emily Baumann, Robyn Nicol, Megan Maher, Ashley Johnstone, Amanda Wilcox, Sandy Holt, Michelle Wolter & Jessica Gunn
<b>Apologies:</b>	Jenny Milzewski & Tracie Rodgers
<b>Minutes of last meeting read</b>	The minutes of the last meeting held on the 21 <sup>st</sup> of July 2025 be adopted as printed:  <b>Moved:</b> Robyn Nicol <b>Seconded:</b> Sandy Holt <b>Carried</b>
<b>Business arising from the minutes of the previous general meeting</b>	Business arising from previous minutes. Term deposit interest rate – discuss in treasurers report. Engraving of equestrian trophy organised by Amanda and invoice forwarded to P&C Jessie Hodgkinson advised of new P & C meeting times to begin at 4.30pm.
<b>Correspondence received since the previous general meeting</b>	List of correspondence as per tabled overview  Motion to accept inward and outward correspondence  <b>Moved:</b> Robyn Nicol <b>Seconded:</b> Michelle Wolter <b>Carried</b>

<p><b>Business arising from correspondence</b></p>	<p>Business arising from correspondence</p> <p>Payment of cartage of cattle for QYAEC has been paid.</p> <p>Equestrian invoice for equipment hire to tidy cattle yards has been paid.</p> <p>Canteen employee survey forwarded to canteen staff, Amanda to review the returned surveys.</p> <p>Canteen to cater for Tiaro State School for students attending a netball tournament coming to Aldridge on the 12<sup>th</sup> of September, pre-order system set up for students attending.</p> <p>Canteen to cater on Pupil Free Day for Leesa Munroe for a Professional Development for Teacher Aides, originally 50 attending, 170 attending at this stage.</p> <p>Janeen received an enquiry into a discrepancy with judging at the QYAEC, Equestrian committee meeting held and letter has been drafted and now signed off by David Burns.</p> <p>Received outcome of grant from Community Benefits Grants Officer, declined due to providing incorrect financial's.</p> <p>Work Cover wages declared</p> <p>QAST – Provided opportunity of attend Bundaberg Network Meeting &amp; Managing Convenor Course, will decline opportunity for Managing Convenor course until it comes to Maryborough</p>						
<p><b>Treasurer's report and financial statements for P&amp;C and Canteen, and any business arising from these.</b></p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Balance as at the 31st of July 2025</p> <table border="0" style="width: 100%;"> <tr> <td style="width: 60%;">Canteen Account</td> <td style="text-align: right;">\$45,532.42</td> </tr> <tr> <td>BOS Account</td> <td style="text-align: right;">\$ 1,858.33</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Term Deposit 50246442 (account)</td> <td style="text-align: right;">\$10,074.96 (long service leave account)</td> </tr> </table> <p>Matured the 17<sup>th</sup> of May 2025 and in holding facility. Comm bank Term Deposits are 3.7% and will not offer any higher interest rate.</p> <p>Best option to move term deposit to BOQ as offering 4.05% for 7months, we apply for application being a not for profit entity, this is presented to the boarding team for approval. We don't need existing accounts to have a term deposit account only. Prefer local bank as we have direct contact details and tellers to access.</p> <p>Robyn to contact P &amp; C Qld to confirm if we can change banks.</p> <p>Motion to accept the P&amp;C Financial Statements and accounts for payment to be ratified.</p> <p><b>Moved:</b> Robyn Nicol                      <b>Seconded:</b> Ashley Johnston                      <b>Carried</b></p> <p>The President and treasurer have certified original bank statements for all Bank accounts.</p>	Canteen Account	\$45,532.42	BOS Account	\$ 1,858.33	Term Deposit 50246442 (account)	\$10,074.96 (long service leave account)
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<p><b>Canteen Report</b></p>	<p><b>Report by Robyn Nicol</b></p> <p>This term always sees a drop in sales due to drink sales being lower. Students are enjoying our additional menu items of pulled pork rolls, chicken stroganoff, meatball subs and burrito bowls and they have enjoyed the chicken gravy rolls to warm their tummies.</p> <p>Sales are pretty consistent with daily takings averaging for week around \$1300. The canteen has had 1 catering event so far and we will be catering for additional students attending Aldridge with net ball and also a catering event for 170 people on the 5<sup>th</sup> of September for 170.</p> <p>Not many weeks left for this cooler term and we will also see a change in our menu again for term 3 and the sushi bowls will be back on the menu.</p> <p>Thanks to all staff.</p>
<p><b>Principal' Report</b></p>	<p>Current Enrolment 562</p> <p><b>Year 7 Enrolments 2026</b></p> <p>Enrolments continue to build for 2026 with 97 students currently registered as futures, largest number of Year 7s enrolled at this time of the year in the last three years. Another successful transition afternoon was held on 5 August with a drama focus. The student transition day is scheduled for this Thursday 28th August for all enrolled future year 7 students.</p> <p><b>School Improvement</b></p> <p>As we move swiftly towards the end of term 3, interim reporting has been completed for year 12 students. Year 12 students are moving towards their external examinations, the final step before completion. The Aldridge SHS First Nations student achievement is at or above the non-indigenous achievement. This is on the back of a strong improvement agenda focussed on closing the gap for First Nations students.</p> <p><b>School Opinion Surveys 2025</b></p> <p>The School Opinion Surveys will remain open until the end of this week for parents and caregivers. The extension is due to a low response from parents across the state.</p> <p><b>Outstanding achievements</b></p> <p>The recent Aldridge music night showcased the amazing talents of our students as they belted out cover songs backed by professional musicians. The next music event is the Aldridge Album launch held in the K Block theatre in a few weeks. The Ag Show Team have realised significant success winning ribbons at both Ekka and Kilcoy Shows. The school won a Supreme Champion Female at Ekka with Rossellino Violet, our most significant achievement to date.</p> <p><b>Whole School Sport</b></p> <p>The Aldridge Track and Field team turned in some strong performances at the Maryborough District Track and Field Trials recently. Students selected to represent the district will compete in Bundaberg at the regional trials this week.</p> <p><b>RYDA Workshops</b></p> <p>The RYDA workshops were well attended this year. Staff worked hard to promote the training as a necessary and potentially life-saving experience. Attendance was</p>

well up on 2024. Our catering students assisted with catering which was appreciated by the committee.

**Mayor’s School Captains’ Breakfast**

Aldridge hosted the School Captains’ breakfast last week. The feedback from students, staff and FCRC was glowing “the best one yet”. Congratulations to Tammy and the catering team for a wonderful experience for our visitors.

**Maximising Learning Days for Students**

Behaviour data for term 2 indicates a reduction in the number of daily incidents across the school over all comparative to 2024 at the same time and last term. There have been a significant number of incidents relating to the toilets with students out of class and resulting in damage. We are tracking student movement data out of classrooms.

**School Attendance and Engagement**

Student attendance has fallen to 79% due to significant illness through stomach complaints and influenza. This has affected staff absences similarly. Human Resources Anita Schubert, Business Manager is on leave travelling overseas, Jenni Taylor acting in the BM position. I am meeting with the HR delegate this week to discuss workforce planning. Teacher relief continues to be difficult and placing pressure on staff to cover classes through this time of significant illness

**General Business**

Aldridge P & C already have in place a Student Representation Policy for individuals who participate individually at state, national and international level. Students must have participated in events sanctioned by the Queensland Department of Education. Their representation must have been reached through their initial involvement at the school level. At present the assistance given is \$50 per level, totalling \$150 maximum. Discussion around reviewing the assistance offered up to \$250 for State Representation and \$500 for Australian Representation. Looking at allocating \$1000 for each year. Suggestions of presenting the money/gift card to the individual on sports awards night. Robyn to contact P & C Qld to see how the money has to be presented either cash/gift card/ directly into parent of child's bank account.

**Moved:** Sandy Holt

**Seconded:** Jessica Gunn

Canteen at present when needing to order eftpos rolls is done by Tracie Rodgers and she needs to use her personal credit card to complete the purchase. Request to apply to Ink Station for account for monthly credit.

**Moved:** Robyn Nicol

**Seconded:** Michelle Wolter

Flexischools are offering at present a waiver of all transaction fees for the remainder of 2025 if we start to use their online ordering. At this point will not get a good indication if it is working well as student numbers will be dwindling in last term, starting with Year 12s leaving early, followed by other grades. Robyn will contact Flexischools to see if we can counteract their offer to use in 2026 for first 1 or 2 terms and also see if Flexischools has the option of also paying for other schooling events.

Approximately 7 formal uniforms to be purchased through the P & C for students to have access too if needing a formal uniform to represent our school. These uniforms

