ST PAULS CADET SUPPORTER GROUP

MINUTES OF MEETING 1ST AUGUST 2011.

Meeting opened at 5.35pm by President Russell Patterson

PRESENT:

Russell Patterson (President)

Lynn Alley

Lyn Nock

Stewart Baker

Dan Cooke

Terri Hadwen

Ailsa Durr

1. Acceptance of Minutes from last month – Proposed Russell Patterson seconded Terri Hadwen.
2. Discussed the Annual Dinner which is to be held on the 17th October. Have had a request from Mr Browning that it not be held at the Sandgate RSL Club. Another possibility Kedron Wavell but declared too expensive. Possibility of holding it at the school and the hospitality students from school to do the catering.
3. Passing Out Parade-Russell provided feedback that is might be possible that it would be held as part of a Middle School/Senior School assembly on Monday 31st October. Over welling opinion of the parents present not supporting this as should be for the cadets and their families. Parents and extended families would not be able to attend if held on Monday 31st. Dan Cooke indicated that AACC support would be limited if parade was held on Monday. Meeting strongly indicated that the majority would prefer the parade should be held Sunday 30th October so that members of the cadet’s extended families could attend.
4. It was noted during this discussion that Cadet Members where being subject to bullying within the SPS environment. It was agrees that Dan Cooke should raise this issue with Paul Browning, and get the issue addressed.
5. Russell highlighted that we need to secure a Reviewing Officer for the Parade. Discussed who we could ask, ADFA Officer Cadet Tom Fleming , or Lt Col George Hulse. Would be easier to get someone if it was held on Sunday 30th October. Russell to look into this further.
   1. Tom Fleming would not be released from ADFA for the event. Thus ARP as Coy Comd to approach to Lt Col G Hulse.
6. Orienteering Fun Run to be held Sunday 14th August – catering needed. Suggested Sausage Sizzle and Drinks. All in agreement. Russell to organise.
7. Orienteering Fun Run – Vouchers required for prizes. Richard will provide $30 $20 and $10 vouchers from his workplace Brisbane Disposals Kippa-Ring. Proposed : Russell Patterson Seconded: Dan Cooke.
8. SPS Service Learning Points – noted the cadets do not receive any from Anzac Day Service, where as members of the Marching Band received points for eight hours. This needs to be addressed by the school and the cadets to get more recognition for their actions which in turn may help with current underlying bullying issues within the SPS environment. To be discussed further at next meeting.
9. Duke of Edinburgh Awards- again discussed why this is not being actively promoted by the school through cadets. Mrs Bolger is the SPS contact and Cadets need to register through the school.
10. Dan Cooke discussed issues finding staff to man the cadet unit and difficulties he has attending the 3.30-6.30 Monday time slot each and every week and also the camps etc. Work commitments make it very difficult for him; he has used up sick leave and some holiday leave for Cadets. He discussed that it is inevitable that the cadet unit goes to a later timeslot therefore opening up the possibility of getting other volunteers who may be interested after work. Thought also may attract cadets from other units.

Meeting closed at 6.40pm. Next meeting Sept 10th 2011.