1. Meeting Opened at: 7.30 pm  
   Chairperson: Kylie Schurmann


3. Apologies: Nil

4. Declaration of any pecuniary interests and other General Business: Nil pecuniary interests declared and additional items listed to General Business.

5. Minutes of Previous Meetings:
   That the minutes as read be confirmed:
   Moved: Rob Smith
   Seconded: Terrie Nicholson
   Motion Put: Carried

6. Major Issues for Discussion:
   6.1 New Agenda Format: Kylie Schurmann explained the new concept of having significant decision items to be on agenda first rather than later in a meeting. Reports and recommendations are usually provided prior to the meeting.
   6.2 Principal position: There has been a change in what was thought would happen for Pat’s replacement due to DEECD policy, of not moving on Principal replacement until the existing Principal has formally resigned. Instances in the past have arisen where the Principal, who has indicated an intention to resign, has then decided, at the last minute, to continue in the position. Question arose about if Pat would be available to be in an acting position.
   6.3 Camps Policy Review: Pat Gleeson gave the context of this policy and why it was being presented. At a previous meeting discussion arose as to the need for the existing camps program of the school. Pat detailed figures of the 2012 camp programs regarding participation, costs and subsidies. ($3500 is aspired to be raised, to continue the existing program). At this stage there are no costings available for the 2013 program, if it continues as it has. Staff have expressed support for the existing camps policy and program but all are aware of the rising costs. Resolved that fundraising should be an agenda item of the next School Council meeting. The existing policy may now require some small review this year.
   6.4 School Council Fundraising 2014: This was referred to the next meeting.

7. Business Arising from the Minutes – Meeting 9 and Executive Meeting: The minutes of the Executive Meeting were also included prior to this meeting.
   7.1: Lack of Response from Minister of Education: Pat Gleeson followed this item with Hugh Delahunty and Kylie Schurmann has spoken with government officials also.
   7.2: Empowerment to discuss Building Quote: This is clearly explained in the Principal’s Report. The executive meeting was called to deal further with the matter. The contract has now been signed and works will start next week.
   7.3: Planning Session regarding Welcome BBQ: The evening went very well with the seating and barbecue on the new Cricket Club decking. The attendance was very good.
   7.4: Pro-active School Council membership: There have been several nominations arrive.
8. Reports:

**8.1 Principal’s Report as Executive Officer:** Pat Gleeson’s report was distributed prior to the meeting. There has been extensive administrative changes to the Region. Many thanks to Simon Cullinan and Gaylene Raymond for their time donated for the Glenthompson auction.

**That the Principal’s Report be received:**

*Moved:* Pat Gleeson  
*Seconded:* Anne Gilbert  
*Motion Put:* Carried

**8.2 Staff Report:** Anne referred to her written report distributed at the meeting. The report included an item from Ann Howard as staff co-ordinator of the SAKG program with many changes to what was operating in 2012. The 2013 Timetable for classrooms is now working following the swimming program’s conclusion. The Netbook program has expanded further with 22 new units ready to start.

**8.3 Sub-Committee Reports:**

**8.3.1 Finance:** Meeting conducted today. Terrie Nicholson reported: The cheque for the Glenthompson Community Association for an amount of $4277.25 was presented to Tracey Potatau-Wright at the meeting to be forwarded to the Association. Financials at year end 31 December 2012. Deficit showing in Official Account of -$2,071.74 in the Bank Account Movement Summary. This has come about due to the transfer of funds from Westpac Bank High Yield Investment Account to the Bendigo Bank Official Account not taking place till 10 January 2013. Actual overdrawn was $623.00 for one day at the Bendigo Bank (9 January 2013), with funds of $3,634.04 in the Commonwealth Bank Account. Issue was rectified on 10 January. Enrolment on Thursday (Census Day) should show an improved budget situation for 2013. Treasurer examined and signed off vouchers for the current period.

**That the Statement of Receipts and Expenditure for the periods 01/12/2012 to 31/12/2012 and 01/01/2013 to 31/01/2013 as circulated be accepted and that accounts be ratified or approved for payment. Also that the Policy “Investment of School Funds” as presented be ratified:**

*Moved:* Terrie Nicholson  
*Seconded:* Tracey Potatau-Wright  
*Motion Put:* Carried

**8.4 Other Reports:**

**8.4.1 Parents and Friends Association: Emma Gordon:** This report was distributed prior to the meeting. Kelly and Henson have indicated the possibility of regular parent stalls. Discussion about the idea of purchasing a new PA system for the hall as a major fundraising venture. School Council were in favour of a quote being gained for this. There was a query about a School bag with a School logo. It was mentioned that this was general practice for many private schools but not State Schools and the school would have to wear the cost of purchasing the bags.

**Dates:** Mother’s Day Stall on Friday 10 May, Father’s Day/Big Blokes Breakfast on Friday 30 August, Father’s Day Stall on Friday 6 September.

Emma reminded all of the Annual General Meeting of the P & F Association which will be held on next Monday evening.

**9. Correspondence: Inwards and Outwards:** A list was provided prior to the meeting. The following were discussed further at the meeting.

**Item 2:** It finally acknowledges the School Council correspondence to the Education Minister but gave no real response to requests.

**Item 7:** Read and referred to General Business.

**Old School Plantation at Victoria Valley School site:** Stephen Field will make inquiries about any value in this and another plantation at Woodhouse. The two are most likely of no value at all.

**Food Handling Course:** Rob Fry requested that School Council pay for any costs for parents to complete this.

**10. General Business**

**10.1 School Council Elections 2013:**

- Adrian Kelly
- Craig Williamson
- Glenn White
- John Mirtschin
2. DEECD members – to retire in March 2013

- Rob Smith
- Anne Gilbert

There will be one casual vacancy that the new school council can co-opt to; this person will retire in March 2014.

10.2 School Residence Action: As a result of correspondence from Ms Liz Myers expressing concerns about the possibility of a childcare centre. The residence is now vacant and presents itself as suitable. Pat Gleeson and Adrian Kelly will meet with the party concerned about a centre and the Shire and will follow up what is required.

10.3 Supporting Glenthompson Community: Pat Gleeson recommended that the Glenthompson Campus site be closed and handed back to the DEECD. He suggested that the School Council present a strong case for the Glenthompson community to have involvement.

That a letter be sent to the Minister to request official closure of the Glenthompson Campus, site to then be handed back to the control of DEECD. A letter of support for the Glenthompson community involvement and possible use of the site will be included:

Moved: Pat Gleeson
Seconded: Anne Gilbert
Motion Put: Carried

10.4 Playground Installation / Covered Area: The playground has been removed and will be installed at the Dunkeld Consolidated School. The large Covered Area was sold for $3,000.

10.5 Thank you and rewards for Simon Cullinane and Gaylene Raymond: It was suggested that Simon Cullinane and Gaylene Raymond should be given more than a thank you for all of the work they both did at the auction. School Council were in favour of this.

That in recognition of their time and efforts a dinner voucher for $100.00 be presented to Simon Cullinane and a day off in lieu be given to Gaylene Raymond.

Moved: Pat Gleeson
Seconded: Terrie Nicholson
Motion Put: Carried

10.6 Approval of Camps and Pupil Free Days Dates:
That the dates for the school camps and Pupil Free Days as listed in Pat Gleeson’s report be approved (Year 2/3 Camp – Wednesday 4 to Friday 6 September, Year 4/5/6 – Tuesday 3 to Friday 6 September and Pupil Free Days – Tuesday 11 June, Monday 5 August and Monday 4 November). In addition the GRaSS Camp for Grade 6 students, on Wednesday 27 and Thursday 28 March also be approved:

Moved: Tracey Potatau-Wright
Seconded: Sarah Crawford
Motion Put: Carried

10.7 Dunkeld Community Centre Project: Funding applications are about to be sent by the Dunkeld Community Centre Committee.

That a letter of support for the Dunkeld Community Centre Committee’s funding application be sent from School Council:

Moved: Pat Gleeson
Seconded: Emma Gordon
Motion Put: Carried

10.8 Canteen Sub-Committee: Food handling course costs:
That any Food Handling Course costs be borne by School Council funds as required and a new non-contact food thermometer with laser sighting be approved for purchase under the Canteen budget.

Moved: Terrie Nicholson
Seconded: Dee-Anne Gerring
Motion Put: Carried

10.9 Appointment of people and sub-committees on various matters: With an acting Principal soon to take the helm, Pat felt it would be appropriate that individuals of School Council and/or sub-committees to nominate for projects ahead this year. School Residence: Adrian Kelly, Olives:
Terrie Nicholson, Glen Campus: referred to next meeting, BER Building Lights: Anne Gilbert, Policies: Rob Fry will still be available.

10.10: Sensory Garden: Looking for a large working bee to complete the garden before Pat Gleeson leaves.

10:11: Final Meeting of this School Council: Kylie thanked all for their work and time over the past year.

11. Next Meeting: Tuesday 26 March at 7.30pm

12. Meeting Closed: 8:45pm

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Secretary, School Council                        President, School Council

Date: ________________________________  Date: ________________________________