



The Hutchins School Parents' Association Meeting

Date: Tuesday 12 August 2025

Location: Board Room

Meeting opened: 6.33pm

Present

Courtney Bell
Phillippa Bartlett
Rob McEwan
Laura Machin
Kate Woods
Rowena Salter
Michelle Liu
Louissa Johnson
Krysta Brocklehurst
Anna Beattie
Kezia Mellers

Apologies

Abbey DeBorde
Danielle West
Shirl Badenach
Holly Orsman Smith
Lynn Redwig

Acceptance of Previous Minutes

Moved – Laura Machin
Seconded – Courtney Bell

Actions List

President's report

NA



Treasurer's report

See separate attachment

Principal's Report

Several students highlights including:

- da Vinci Decathlon – In the last week of term 2, a team of Year 9 students travelled to Sydney to compete in the da Vinci Decathlon National Competition, where they placed 2nd in the Legacy Category, which is an outstanding achievement.
- Senior soccer team competed in a tournament in Adelaide in the last week of term.
- Hobart Dance Eisteddfod Dance – In the last week of term and into the holiday break, Hutchins dancers performed at total of 32 routines at the Southern Tasmanian Dancing Eisteddfod, achieving some fantastic results across a range of categories. Most notable was the Senior Jazz Troupe winning 1st place – there were also numerous solo placings.
- International Student Science Conference returned from Hong Kong during the first week of the term break.
- Over the term break, the Hutchins sailing team competed at the Australian Teams Racing Championship in Goolwa South Australia. Hutchins Black placed second.
- Ski tour to New Zealand
- Several students represented Tasmania at the National Championships for either hockey, rugby, gymnastics or indoor cricket.
- Students participate in the Beijing Summer School as part of the Round Square exchange program.

Upcoming events:

An Evening with Damion Young – author and philosopher, 20 August

Dance Showcase - 1 September

Currently surveying students from Year 6 – 12

NJ Edwards Hub update

Tunnel has received Building Approval. Partial road closure planned during the end of Term 3 break and a full road closure during the summer break

NJ Edwards Hub on track for opening in March next year.

Correspondence

Incoming- Letter from Anna Beattie (advancement office) to be discussed at meeting



Outgoing – NIL

Matters for Noting

Matters for Approval (including actions arising from the previous minutes)

Dunk Machine bond and conditions

- Further information required from Hutchins re insurance coverage to determine bond amount.
- Public liability requested from hirers

Business Arising

Advancement request

Anna Beattie put forward the advancement office request for the PA to support a community based scholarship to the amount of \$25000 as a matching donor. Motion passed to support this request to the value of \$25000.

Committee members were also given the option to volunteer at the upcoming Giving day 8am – 8pm on 3 September.

PA cocktail party

PA to host a cocktail party on Friday 17th October for parents and friends of the Hutchins community which will also include a live auction of 1-3 items and a raffle. Logistics discussed and roles will be confirmed over the coming months by email.

Other business

Discussion re an event next year supporting the community into the NJ Edwards Hub.

Meeting close: 7.29pm