150yr CELEBRATION STEERING COMMITTEE

Meeting held: Thursday 11th August 2011 – 3.15pm

Attendees: Adam Boulus, Cheryl Carpenter, Charmain Krempin, Merran Manning, Christine Whetham, Nicole Webster, Joanne Hanks, Suzanne Touzell, Sallyann Rumbel, Kristy Hawkins, Tracey Baker, Jo Kennedy, Sally Hall, Petah McGaw, Lainie Hopkins, Tracy Forbes.

A. Boulus opened the meeting outlining what was hoped to be achieved at the meeting.

Date for celebration: Saturday 27th October 2011

Book to be created outlining the last 150 years at Morpeth PS. Christine Whetham has a tub of memorabilia in Library that may have relevant information for inclusion in the book.

Book production to be handled by a team with central point as the School Office. Production team includes: Cheryl Carpenter, Christine Whetham, Charmain Krempin, Sally Hall, Petah McGaw(?), Merran Manning and Suzanne Touzell – overseen by Adam Boulus.

Major Fundraising project:
Personalised pavers – these are to be offered for sale to the school community from the beginning of 2012 with the view to sell on the day of the “fair” to past members of Morpeth Public School.

Mr Boulus to identify an area for the pavers to be laid and Suze to source information regarding pavers etc.

Name for event:
Call for suggestions from parents and community via website and newsletter. Also, run a competition within school for the students to submit event names. Winner could be highlighted in the Morpeth book produced.

Commemorative products:
To be sold throughout the year and a stall also run on the day of the “fair”.

Product suggestions:
- Mugs
- Travel Mugs
- Pens
- Waterbottles
- School badge (150 yr logo)
- Beer coolers
- Spoons
- Wine glasses
- Damper and Syrup
- Fresh produce
- Fairy floss / Popcorn etc
- Cake Stall: toffees etc
- Craft (?)

Tracy Forbes to make enquiries with Timesavers (Mai-wel group) regarding availability and pricing.

Fair Day

Stalls – Tracey Baker and Kristy Hawkins to organise stalls

- Aprons and tea towels
- Devonshire tea
- Apple Bobbing
- Hoopla
- Corn cobs
- Commemorative items
- BBQ
- Plants
- Rides
- Ginger Beer stall
- Damper and Syrup
- Fresh produce
- Fairy floss / Popcorn etc
- Cake Stall: toffees etc
- Craft (?)
Brief assembly to showcase the talents of the students at Morpeth PS. Suggestions: recorder, choir etc.

Students to demonstrate games played during the last 100 years. Some suggestions: Jacks, elastics, skipping, marbles.

Display of historic items currently held at the school. Also, Mr Boulus to enquire with Morpeth Museum regarding the loan of items to be placed around the school.

Juliet the horse – available on High Street to provide horsed drawn carriage rides.

Advertising for “fair” – being looked after by Tracy Forbes and Sallyann Rumbel

Workers at “fair” to dress in mop hats and aprons to enhance theme. Also, encourage children (and families) to dress in period costume.

Invite all past students, teachers and staff. Place notifications in Maitland District schools newsletters. Suggested to start a facebook page to get the word around (Sallyann Rumbel)

Other suggestions:

Family bushdance (Term 1/2) – sell commemorative items. Students could be taught dances as part of sport activity for that term.

Plant a tree – install a plaque outlining that the tree was planted to celebrate 150yrs of education at Morpeth Public School.

Time capsule – To be constructed and created with the view to burying on “fair” day and placing plaque on top of ouitloing for it to be raised at the 175yr celebration. Notes asking for donations to be sent home from the school. The size of vessel will be determined once the contents have been received. Suggested to dig into the front area of the school.

Students school hats to be embroidered with Celebrating 150 years at Morpeth PS. Optional purchase for families.

General:

Yr 6 2012 Tshirt – this will be a commemorative shirt that can be purchased earlier and worn all longer.

School Photos being taken in Term 1, 2012 so that the photos can be used across the celebration year. Suze to organise and co-ordinate for a commemorative package to be offered as part of the school photo package.

Next meeting to be held: End of term 3, 2011.
Notification of date will be by email.

Meeting closed: 4.15pm