

AGM March 2020

It has been a very rewarding year and I am thankful to have had the opportunity to contribute in the role of President. It has been a privilege to work alongside the executive, volunteer alongside parents/carers at various events and school staff whose interest it is to provide the best possible learning environment for our children.

I have been actively involved with the Blackwell Public School P&C for several years and it has been a pleasure to witness the P&C's achievements. Our 2019 achievements include:

- Contributing \$25,000 towards the cost of installing air conditioning to the school hall;
- Supporting the school in the tender process for a new school uniform provider and the redesign of the new school uniform;
- Successfully submitting a motion at the P&C Federation AGM for the federation to take over the lobbying of the Department of Education to improve the resourcing across state education primary and high schools in the provision of counselling services to students;
- Issuing a Life Membership to a longstanding member of the Blackwell Public School community;
- Arranging a new P&C Banner for future fundraising events as well as a P&C Payment/Mailbox installed in the foyer of the school;
- Successfully ran our usual 4 key fundraising events for the year (Mothers & Father Day Stalls, Easter & Xmas Raffles) as well as 2 other fundraising events such as a BBQ/Cake Stall at the 2019 NSW state election and held a Family Portraits Day; and
- Completed a range of usual activities the P&C has been involved in over the years including the provision of the School Banking service, contributed to the costs associated with a few of our students participating at representative sports activities throughout the year to name a few activities.

I made this statement last year as President and I will make it again. The P&C is most effective when working in close partnership with the school. I wish to again acknowledge the excellent leadership of our Principal Mrs Kris Hudswell, celebrating her 50th year in teaching in 2020, and the tremendous support provided by the Executive Teaching team, as well as the exceptional support to the P&C provided by the administrative staff of Blackwell Public School.

Thank you to everyone who has attended one, several or almost every meeting. We appreciate your ideas and efforts and look forward to another successful year of supporting the education and welfare of the students at Blackwell Public School. Thank you also to those who have helped volunteer at our various events throughout the year and those parents/caregivers who have helped each week with the counting of monies for School Banking.

Finally, I would like to officially and personally thank our 2019 Executive, without your time and efforts the P&C would cease to exist. Thank you to Jo Dawes, Thorpe Drew and Tammy Bigeni for all your help last year to get us over the line.

Frank Zlendich

Outgoing 2019 President

Blackwell Public School P&C