

Community Meeting at Sandringham 7-10

8th August 2012

Introduction by College Principal: Allen McAuliffe.

Howard Kelly: Consultant:

Howard presented a background to the multi-campus model. He stated that governments have shrunk their commitment to multi campus colleges.

Professor Jack Keating from Melbourne University found that two campuses is the preferable multi campus option. His research contended that three or more is not viable.

Howard Kelly stated there have been community feedback sessions for primary schools in the local area to ensure that the local community has a real say in the decision making process.

Howard Kelly read and explained the draft motion being put to the council. He noted the process is taking the minister to the core issues. Firstly we ask that we have disaggregation of the campuses to two new schools. Then secondly, we ask the Minister to agree to new schools to be in operation by the 1/1/2014.

Sandringham College requests the minister to agree to the disaggregation on the principles outlined below.

Next stages and understandings:

A developed Memorandum of Understanding between Beaumaris College and Sandringham College.

- The councils of all entity's commit to meeting together to promote ongoing educational programs of each College.
- The Principals of each college will aim to do the same.
- The projected outcome of the disaggregation will be put to the minister by 31/3/2013

Respective working parties will be implemented to ensure community involvement. In addition an appropriate leadership team and interim Councils will be appointed. Mr Kelly noted that we need each other to exist. Howard Kelly stated he believes in writing in to the alliance of the schools into the MoU to ensure the longevity and success of both new schools. He further emphasised that we want to commitment in government budgets for the regeneration of the college.

Mr McAuliffe stated that the leadership team have been working extensively with staff in such matters as a restructure of the timetable to align the campuses; process to redefine our vision and values and examination of a new school leadership structure for next year. Mr McAuliffe stated that the school will seek to involve closely our local primary schools to assist in the refocusing of our curriculum and pedagogy. In addition the school will examine links between 10 and year 11 and 12.

Mr Kelly spoke about the market share of Sandringham College

A series of questions followed that led to discussion about College growth; impact if school became too large; possible introduction of an enrolment boundary and the positive and negative consequences; values of school; possible uniform and consequences of refocused teaching and learning. A wide range of views and concerns were expressed about how the college may look and parents present were keen to be involved