

**REPORT BY THE CANTEEN SUB-COMMITTEE TO
FLINDERS PUBLIC SCHOOL P&C ASSOCIATION ON
THE HEALTHY KIDS ASSOCIATION REPORT – FLINDERS PUBLIC SCHOOL**

The Canteen Sub Committee has reviewed the Healthy Kids Association Report on the school canteen received earlier this year. The Canteen Sub Committee's findings are:

Para 2	We sell hot dogs not frankfurts when the bread roll is included in the calculations they do not fit into the red category: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The Rail pies are marginally red. - The Rail sausage rolls are definitely red. - We will find a new source of pies and sausage rolls but keep the current frankfurts used to make hot dogs. - Calculations attached
Para 3	Agree with the thrust but its labour intensive and we do not have the number of volunteers needed.
Para 4/5	They do not sell at all outside of fruit promotions and fruit salad is the same! Agree with the thrust but its labour intensive and we do not have the number of volunteers needed to do this consistently.
Para 6	Only if you have lots of unpaid volunteers! You also get a lot of wastage.
Suggestion's	The sub committee had a look at some of attached menus and they appear to limit amber foods to one item per day ie Wend is hot dogs Thurs is meat pies. This may be more a management thing than a genuine attempt to limit the amount of amber product being sold. It is also likely to be very confusing for the parents and students. We changed prices mid year and it took almost two terms for every one to switch over to the new price list.
Para 8/9	Actioned already however no one wants the frozen pineapple rings.
Para 10	This has now changed and I'm happy with the changes.
Para 11	We tried this it did not work: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Fruit and vegetables left outside the canteen door well before staff arrived. - Quality of the ham after freezing was poor.
Para 12	Agreed it's a low priority but we need to make some changes here along the lines of the suggestions made.
Para 14/15	It's always good to be able to reduce the cost of goods sold but we are not sure where we could do this at present. The example given requires additional people that we do not have. It is also assumed that some one would have to go buy the fresh chicken which would contradict Para 10.
Suggestion	We were doing this at the time of the report and are still doing it.
Para 18	We need to get better at this but we do not need to increase prices again before term 2 2011.
Para 19	Fixed we have a calculator for this however its impractical to price items using seasonal products eg lettuce consistently. We have to set a price that returns a profit over a year even if some months we are selling at a loss.
Para 20	Agreed and this will be developed further.
Para 21 to Suggestions	Agree with the intent but its labour intensive and we do not have the number of volunteers needed which is estimated to be two to three each day.
Expenses Para 25 to 29	GIGO Law. Disregard the lot: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - She has used figures provided by us that were never intended to be used to attempt this sort of analysis. - Things that should have been included like value of stock on hand, outstanding debtors etc have not been included. Wages earned in one month have been included as expenses the following month. - The figures are also based on our old prices which were subsequently raised by large amounts so they are now outdated. - We should however be doing quarterly accounts ie at the end of each term.
Tracking Money Para 37 to 39	We have improved on this but we are not sure how we can do better with out getting cash registers. The float is only \$10 not \$15.
Para 41	Disagree with this one. We just need to make an accounting provision probably annually.
Para 44/45	This was already in place.
Para 51,53, 54 and 55	We were and still are doing this although currently no one uses the information. That is some thing to be fixed next year. Our wastage is not as high as suggested in Para 55.
Para 52	Joking this is a great way to loose volunteers and is false economy as the supervisor has to make the sandwich and we pay them wages.

Para 56	Agree that the canteen needs to be made aware of any change in student numbers. We need to develop an SOP with the school on this.
Para 60	In hand it's being developed.
Para 62/63	Agree with the ideas but its labour intensive and we do not have the number of volunteers needed.
Para 64 to 67	Has improved but we need to do more work in this area.
Para 68	Implemented.
Para 70 to 74	We are now doing this.
Para 75/76	The canteen supervisors have duty statements and a formal appraisal system is in place for them. Having formal duty statements and conducting appraisals for volunteer workers is not supported. The reaction of the three volunteers we ran this suggestion past suggested that if we implemented it they would cease to volunteer.

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