



St Patrick's Catholic Primary School P&F Association

Minutes for P&F Meeting Thursday 27th February 2014

Meeting opened: 7.36pm

- **Swim carnival photo story (great action shots of recent swimming carnival)**
- **Prayer**
- **Record of Attendances** – Sharon Bevan, Rachael Brady, Annabel Cockerton, Julia Conroy, Michelle Cormack, Patti Cox, Nicole Cumming, Marcus Hams, Leona Holliday, Lauren Lewis, Damian Mitchell, Michelle Perry, Megan Waterhouse
- **Apologies** – Lisa Haynes, Renee Heaney, John Malicki, Janelle Treadwell
- **Confirmation and acceptance of previous AGM minutes** – accepted Annabel Cockerton, 2nd Rachael Brady
- **Presidents Welcome – Rachael Brady**
 - Rachael thanked everyone in attendance for their ongoing support
 - Meetings should go no longer than 2 hours with the aim of completing all meetings by 9pm
 - Each agenda item should go no longer than 10 minutes. If further discussion is required than a sub-committee will be formed and required to report back at the next meeting
 - All agenda items are published in advance. Any new items brought forward at the meeting will be tabled under “Matters for future consideration”.
 - House rules for a friendly and welcoming P&F meeting –
 - Everyone should be opened minded and respectful of others
 - Only one person speaks at a time
- **Correspondence IN** – various brochures for Mothers Day Stalls / Fundraising ideas.
- **Correspondence OUT** - NIL

REPORTS

PRINCIPAL – Nicole Cumming

- Smooth start to the year, kinders have settled very well
- Have 373 students currently enrolled and have welcomed 40 new families to our school this year
- Opening mass with Captains, Sport Captains and SRC investiture went well
- Upcoming celebrations – St Patrick's Day (March 17th) will be celebrated with our annual school and parish dinner dance on Saturday 15th March and a school Mass at 11am on Monday 17th March, followed by a sausage sizzle and games and activities. Children can wear something green on the day.

- St Patrick's Day will also incorporate National Anti bullying week. The SRC are working on various activities over the coming weeks to promote Anti bullying.
- Director of schools visited today (27/2) and was very open and interested
- We have been chosen to trial Chromebooks for Year 4 and 6, for the diocese. These are electronic books, similar to tablets. They are cheap, fast, allow multiple users and easy to use. For more information please view the following website - www.google.com/intl/en/chrome/devices

SPORTS – Nicole Cumming

- Swimming carnival very successful
- Central Coast Catholic Swim Carnival, hosted by St Patrick's successful and finished ahead of schedule.
- Cross Country coming up. Primary to be held Friday 7 March.
- AFL and Touch Football Galas coming up

TREASURER – Patti Cox

Balance as of last meeting (14 November 2013) - **\$10,936.75**

Income -

P&F Levy total \$3,660.00
Interest \$ 33.23
Year 6 sport shirts \$ 1,150.00

TOTAL INCOME \$4,843.23

Outgoing expenses –

Transfer to school \$10,000.00
P&F meeting supplies \$ 31.60
P&F supplies \$ 19.66
Year 6 Sport shirts \$ 1,150.00

TOTAL OUTGOING \$11,201.26

Balance as of 27 February 2014 - **\$4,578.72**

2014 Wish list

REP SPORTS UNIFORMS – 50 SINGLETs / 20 NETBALL DRESSES \$ 2,430.00
READERS \$10,000.00
I.T \$10,000.00

TOTAL \$22,430.00

CANTEEN – Michelle Cormack

- Finished 2013 with \$11,000.00. As of this month \$12,000 on hand.

- \$10,000 to be kept for Garden of tranquility project. \$1,000 to be held over for stock for new school year/pay invoices. \$1,000 income already banked for 2014.
- Discussion on new stock – LOL drinks (canned fizzy fruit drinks) – children not finishing them by the time the recess bells rings. Stock still being sold after 11.10am. Decision made to stop selling LOL drinks at recess. All other drinks available. LOLs will now only be sold at lunch time Fridays or with lunch orders.

PARISH – No report. Father Tadeusz unavailable due to other commitments.

UPDATE from Sub committees

Parking

Drop off and Pick up (No parking zone) infants campus

- Parking still a problem on the infant's campus.
- Council has extended the drop off zone by an additional 33 metres on Melbourne Street. This is working well of a morning but has caused the loss of 4 parking spaces in the afternoon.
- A permanent afternoon kiss and drop zone on the infants campus (with teachers walking students to cars or waiting zone) not a viable option given staffing numbers and already stretched resources regarding afternoon bus duty.

ACTION – Matter now closed.

Bus Zone primary campus

- Bus zone on Victoria Street underutilized. Only 1 bus uses the bus zone each day (all other bus drop off or pick up on the infants side)
- Parents continue to drop off children in the bus zone on the primary side, even though it is clearly signed

ACTION - Megan Waterhouse to follow up with council why bus zone was moved last year and why it continues to be zoned as such when it is not used.

Disco

- First disco of for the year to be held Friday 2nd May, 2014 (week 1, term 2)
- Nicole to speak to Scott regarding DJ/music
- Motion agreed and passed by all parents in attendance that a \$2 charge should apply for all children to attend the disco. This money will be collected upon entry by the P&F and donated to the Minnie Vinnie's who in turn will be raising money for the Indian School this year.
- P&F request help of the Minnie Vinnie's in cleaning up the hall at the completion of the disco.
- Annabel happy to do the roster for disco helpers
- Michelle happy to organize canteen for the disco
- Notice to be put in newsletter requesting 2 supervisors for the evening. 1 for Infants disco, 1 for primary.
- 1 staff member needed to lock up school premises at the end of the night

ACTION – Rachael Brady to request help in newsletter later this term.

Infants Playground retaining wall mural

- Thanks to Lauren Lewis for her fabulous design and painting of the mural
- Infants children are working on a project to include wooden stars on the mural

Garden of Tranquility

- Work in progress. Refer to recent newsletter and photos (Enews 3, 14 February 2014)

Pancake Day

- Shrove Tuesday 4 March 2014
- 7 mums have volunteered to make and serve pancakes in the infants and primary canteen
- Flyer sent home via newsletter requesting children bring in a plate of pancakes to sell on this day.
- Pancakes available for sale at recess only for a coin donation. All monies donated to Project Compassion

Dinner Dance

- Saturday 15 March, 7pm
- Ticket sales progressing
- Committee working very hard to make the evening a success. Parent support is needed to achieve this.

St Patrick's Day school festivities

- Monday 17th March
- P&F to pay for sausage sizzle supplies, all children, staff and families attending are entitled to a free sausage sandwich for lunch.
- Michelle to organize flyer to promote P&F canteen menu & sausage sizzle & source volunteers. Lots of volunteers needed to ensure the day runs smoothly.
- School to organize bread & sausages
- Patti to organize other food supplies

Mothers Day Stall

- Stall to be held Thursday 8th May
- Price for all gifts set at \$5. Moved – Annabel Cockerton 2nd Rachael Brady
- Ordering – Patti to order gifts online. Collect monies – Michelle & Julia to organize pre-order system. Flyer to be sent home Week 10.
- Tokens to be given to infants children to “pay” for their gift
- Volunteers needed to wrap and sell gifts on Thursday 8th May. Note to be put in newsletter closer to the date.

Matters for future consideration

1. **Athletics carnival** - Why do the children have to compete in all running races? For older primary children it can be embarrassing for them to compete in running events if they can't run. Could the older primary (Yr 5 & 6) be given the option of which races they want to run in?
2. **Air conditioners / heaters** – New kinder children feeling the heat, especially in the thickset girl's uniform. All classrooms are equipped with fans and heaters

Meeting closed – 9.02pm

NEXT MEETING –

**Thursday 29th May 2014 in the LARC, Primary Campus (Victoria Street). All welcome.
Any matters for consideration to be forwarded to the Executive Committee via email to SPEGparents@dbb.org.au by Thursday 22nd May 2014**