



St Patrick's College – Parents and Friends Association

MINUTES OF MEETING - 15 NOVEMBER 2006

MEETING COMMENCED: 7.40pm

ATTENDANCE: 13 As per attendance Book

APOLOGIES: Anthony Ryan, Tracey Hoffman

Michael Carroll opened the meeting with a prayer.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING: Minutes of meeting from 25 October were presented. Wayne Seagrott moved that the minutes be accepted as a correct record. Seconded by Anne Stanton.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES: Nil

CORRESPONDENCE IN/OUT:

IN Nil

OUT Nil

TREASURER'S REPORT: As per the handout.

Cheryl Lange moved that the report be accepted, seconded by Wayne Seagrott.

PRINCIPAL'S ADDRESS: Michael Carroll

In response to questions to the Principal at the September meeting:

- The Website will be upgraded in the New Year and adjusted on a weekly basis.
- The Transition Program will be available to all VET students across years 10-12 next year.
- The Child Employment Act 2006 will be featured in a Calling next year.
- The traffic situation has improved since being mentioned in the Calling.
- Beginning in 2007 there will be one Sports phone line for weather updates for all sports – CIC and AIC.

Leading into the end of year we have had the Evening of Excellence with positive feedback and the powerful and emotional year 12 farewell assembly. The year 7 Transition will be next week.

Planning for 2007 is falling into place with the calendar going to the printers on Friday. Teaching staff for next year has been finalized, and non-teaching staff will be finalized soon.

Approval has been received for the retaining wall and work will begin on that soon. The plan for the back oval was on display and will incorporate many sports, including half court basketball, futsal, volleyball, and running training. It is anticipated that it will be used primarily for PE classes and lunch times. Over the holidays maintenance/refurbishment work will be carried out on the Brother Saward building and in the main office area. The office will work out of the Student Office from 1 December.

Michael is keen for feedback regarding Showcase in regards to the Venue and timing. There were approximately 1700 people in attendance at this years Showcase. Next years will be on Thursday 25 October. It is anticipated that there will be a Battle of the Bands in the weeks leading up to the big night, with only the finalists performing at Showcase.

Brochures regarding the new Queensland Certificate of Education are available in the office.

Michael expressed his thanks for the efforts of the members of the P & F throughout 2006.

ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL STUDENT FORMATION: David Gardiner

It has been a big month for the year 12s with farewells, the docudrama and assemblies.

Year 11 leaders have now all been selected and worked well on the leadership retreat. They are getting organized now for next year. Around 60 year 11 students attended either the year 8 or year 9 retreat days and also 60 attended street retreats with very positive feedback. This Friday there will be a Red, Green and Gold day to raise money for Scott Letts and Mark Nalder who will be leaving for South Africa next week.

ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL CURRICULEM: Chris Mayes

The Celebration of Excellence Evening was a great way to recognize academic achievement with Years 10, 11 and 12 award recipients receiving a trophy with their awards this year. The year 12 results are coming in and there will be some changes to rank, mostly upwards. The school is hopeful of positive results for the year 12s. The QCT results for the school will be available on 27 November.

The meeting regarding VET options for next years, year 11 students went very well with positive feedback. Next week the years 10s will be able to complete the Blue Card (Industry) course.

The CISTA test results demonstrate that boys don't 'get' having to learn and study facts.

Year 10 and 11 students have the privilege of block exams.

Year 7 students will be having a retreat and transition Mass with the theme "Transition Passage". The boys will be painting boomerangs – half to represent where they are now and the other half where they are heading. Some of the boomerangs will be taken to South Africa as gifts.

Staff are busy with exams and assignment markings. There will be Professional Development and planning during the week beginning 4 December. Greg Quinn has prepared a report to reflect on the academic focus of the College. Reports will be posted on 8 December.

ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL MISSION: Anthony Ryan

Anthony was absent due to the birth of Finlay Paul Casey Ryan on Tuesday 14 November.

SPORT SUPPORT COMMITTEE REPORT: It was good to see some new faces at the AGM. It was approved to give \$5500 to the Curlew Park Association for materials in upgrading of facilities. It was approved to give a some of money to Michael Carroll to use at his discretion for the purchase of sporting equipment/uniforms for students whose families cannot afford to outfit their sons to represent the College in CIC or AIC sports. An Ex Gratia payment was approved to assist with imposed costs for the up coming Australian All Schools Basketball tour to Geelong .

PARENT SUPPORT COMMITTEE REPORT: The next fundraiser is the Mango Drive. It has been decided to hold a fundraiser each term. The group realised a profit of between \$2000 and \$2500 this year.

CURLEW PARK ASSOCIATION: Work is in progress in preparation for 2007 sporting seasons.

CHAIRS OF SUPPORT GROUPS: It was decided to hold a key event each term. The plan for next year is:

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| 17 March | St Patrick's Day Dinner Dance |
| 20 June | (Queens Birthday weekend) Old boys weekend <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Friday night – men's night• Saturday – Back to Shorncliffe day at Curlew Park Dinner Dance• Sunday – Walk around the School |
| 11 August | Sport Support function |

The Data projector has been installed in the Callen Centre at a cost of \$19 000. Other projects, which could be aimed at, are carpet for Callen (\$20 000), a mobile fridge (\$8 000) and to purchase tables for use in Callen Centre.

GENERAL BUSINESS: The minutes from the 2005 AGM were presented, as they were unavailable at the previous meeting. Terry McCarthy moved that the minutes be accepted as a correct record. Seconded by Anne Stanton.

As the position of Treasurer was unable to be filled at the AGM, nominations were called for the position. Chris Mayes nominated Judy Kelly seconded by Anne Stanton and carried. Judy accepted the position.

Judy explained the concept of GREEN and GOLD as a fundraiser. It is run like a silver circle with prize draws each month (10 school months) and the 6 major draws to be conducted at the Evening of Excellence. The cost to join would be \$100 and prizes range from \$200 each month to the major prize of \$5000. Diane Hamill moved that the Green and Gold be adopted as the fundraising venture for 2007 subject to gaming permit. Seconded by Michelle Bates.

Next meeting: Wednesday 21 February 2007

MEETING CLOSED: 8.35 pm.

Diane Hamill
President