



# Saint Maria Goretti's Catholic School Parents & Friends Association

## Meeting Minutes

Meeting Tuesday 7 March 2017  
7pm in school meeting room

Attendance: Martin, Kirsty, Tamara Piscopo, Vickie Riches, Karen Wellman, Simone Roney, Simone Northcott

Apologies: Peta Casale, Alison Ryan.

Minutes of Previous minutes

Accepted: Kirsty

Seconded: Simone R

Opening Prayer: Martin

Correspondence:

White Coat Syndrome

Crazy Camel

PFFWA - strategic plan

ATO

Jane Smithers - regarding number of PD days during school term and notice of events.

Various DJs.

President's Report:

First board meeting was on Tuesday, will cover in Board report.

Facebook class groups - Karen changed privacy settings so only an admin can accept applicants following a few strangers being added, and cleaned the groups up a bit. Discussion - Maybe some branding in the cover page to make it explicit that this group is for parents. Tam to look at.

Treasurer's Report: nothing to report in Alison's absence.

Principal's Report:

Building program well underway. New steel uprights for undercover area to go up during holidays.

Walkway to new classrooms will get narrower.

New walkway between toilets and year 2 classrooms.

New lift - found the contractor. And second lift.

Site meeting tomorrow to determine when canteen rebuild to happen.

Parent teacher night went well.

First interschool swimming carnival coming in a few weeks. Years 4, 5 & 6.



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Question - Simone R - new chapel -

chapel will be longer and remainder of hall will look like the new rooms.  
Large enclosed area in current undercover area. "Sports area".

Back of year 3 wet area. Courtyard will all be lifted and levelled. Existing  
basketball court removed.  
Recommissioned chapel.

Question - Tam - Tech room?

Not specific room. Martin going to Melbourne to see the "Future Schools  
Program". Prefer facilities in classrooms rather than a computer lab. 3D  
printer? Back of library will have some common resources.

Music - one spare GPLA general purpose learning area. APOD. Soundproofing? -  
don't really worry about it.

Ursula Frayne will be offering a band-type instrument - after school at UF.

Question - Kirsty - music? - board report.

Board Report:

Karen - music program. New teacher has proposed a set of equipment to  
support her teaching. 1 recorder each for years 3-5. 2 big bass xylophones and  
some smaller ones as well. Approx \$5k total.

Karen offered to contribute funding from P&F, pending agreement of meeting.

**Moved that P&F to contribute a donation of \$5k towards purchase of music  
program. Moved Simone Roney, seconded Kirsty, carried enthusiastically!**

Board seeks a representative - on behalf of P&F to school to help organise  
opening of stage 12. Tam volunteered.

Samantha Rowe MP's funding offer - Board very concerned about strings  
attached and unlikely to accept.

Discussion about ordering faction shirts for purchase at uniform shop - held  
over to next board meeting.

Social event - after October.



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### PFFWA Report -

mostly around their work representing parents on zillions of committees.

Discussion of the deafening silence around catholic education in the leadup to the election. Sale of Western Power - funding to a long list of state schools.

Parent Engagement

P&F induction training.

PFFWA nominated Simone to a position on the Audit and Risk Subcommittee of Catholic Education Commission of WA (CECWA), the body who administers CEWA. Has attended an induction meeting and next meeting is next week.

### Business Arising:

- Committee nominations - Aboriginal Education - SimoneN, Canteen - Chelsea, Social Event - SimoneR coordinating, Tam, Kirsty joining.
- Facebook Communication - covered.
- Cyber Safety - Natalia - family zone - selling software. SimoneN emailed Paul Litherland - and to ask Donna Cross.
- Parent Reps kindy & pre-primary - Natalia, Chelsea and Peta for kindy. Kirsty to find someone to help in PP.
- Sundowner - 17<sup>th</sup>. 5-7 on the oval.  
SN to ask Corey about lighting plant if necessary.  
MB to ask builder for access for lighting plant.  
SN to ask band about access. They will need loong leads from art room.  
Go for a walk on the oval tomorrow.  
SN Order 250 sausages and buns from coles. Napkins, sauces etc.  
Publicise on class pages and newsletter and posters etc. SN to call the council.
- Cut Out The Crap books - Natalia - minimum order 20 books ie \$300, sell for \$25, make \$200. Don't feel we've made out the business case for it at this point.



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- Samantha Rowe Funding - covered
- Board re sports shirts - covered
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- City of Belmont \$500 - 31 March Deadline - SN to send it through to Martin.
- Day for Daniel - child safety - held over.

#### New Business

Music program funding - covered.

Obstacle-a-thon. SN to email Martin about potential dates please. Any time June or after.

Bake sale - hold over for dates from Martin.

Disco - plus parent event, plus Christmas stuff. Fathers day and mothers day stall.

No bunnings sizzle this year.

Readings movie night? Or disco? End of term 2.

Tam - are we asking for spending suggestions - like STEM? School is looking at it.

Parent participation in the classrooms? - operating on a half school. Training and licencing and reliability of attendance.

Vickie - School uniform policy. School shoes? Martin to discuss with teachers.

#### Next meeting:

Tuesday 4 April 7pm.