

Saint Maria Goretti's Catholic School

Parents & Friends Association

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## **MEETING MINUTES**

Meeting dated 12 August 2022

**1. Welcome and Prayer** Darren McDonald

Meeting Opened 9.07am

## 2. Attendance and Apologies

2.1 Attendance: Darren McDonald, Andrew Gaudoin, Evita Footman, Nicole Yee,

Merle Yee-Moscufo, Bronwyn Mortimer, Kelly Pumphrey, Ryoko

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2.2 Apologies: Rae Jas, Natalia Vollrath-Hale, Ria Rinaldi

3. Minutes of Meeting

15 June 2022

3.1 Accepted: Merle Yee-Moscufo

# 4. Correspondence

## 4.1 **In**:

- Invoice from Bear and Moon for Fathers Day gifts totalling \$1,647
- Emails from Rae Jas and Sandra Murgia regarding setting up Scholastic Bookclub and organisation of book fair
- Email from Hayley Clince about Footsteps Dance Program
- Email from Cassie Rowe with invitation to Parliament House for P & F and School Board memhers
- Invoice from Smart Ideas for 115 Father's Day gifts totalling \$353 (organised by Lhasa)
- Email from Cassie Rowe with anti-vaping toolkit
- Invoice from Kelly Pumphrey for resin coasters
- Letters from Mainroads about children crossing, notifying us about a review and asking for concerns to be sent to Principal.

#### 4.2 **Out**:

- Order form sent to Bear and Moon for Father's Day gifts
- Email accepting invitation to Parliament House on behalf of Darren, Nicole, Nat and Merle

# 5. Reports

**5.1 President:** Nicole Yee

We hosted a sausage sizzle for Feast Day. It went very well. Students really enjoyed the sausages and some wanted seconds. We had about half a dozen volunteers which is a good number, we had food prepared ahead of schedule. Thanks to Nat for organising the food etc from Woolworths.

Nat and Merle have been working with Monique Ford to organise a Pottery and Sip evening for parents on the 2nd of September. Monique has kindly offered to host the event, and 16 tickets were on put on offer. Within an afternoon, all places were gone and we also have a waitlist. Tickets to these sorts of events will usually be over \$150, and our cost is just \$50 so the parents who are attending are very lucky and it should hopefully be a great night. We may consider other events like this in future if this event is successful (which we think it will be). Kelly Pumphrey has also offered to host a resin workshop in future.

Next Friday, we have our annual bake sale, which is being run by the Year 6 parents. Due to a shortage of parent volunteers, some of the year 6 students will be helping to sell goods. Thanks to Savani who prepared the flyer.

We have the Fathers Day stall coming up on the 29th of August and 2nd September, all gifts for this have been purchased. Thanks to Lhasa, the Year 1 parent rep, who has organised all the volunteers for this. She also drafted the flyer that is going out to parents shortly and helped in the purchase of some gifts.

## **5.2 Treasurer Evita Footman**

Current balance is \$24,025.98

School levies of \$10,000 have come in.

14 payments have come in for the Pottery & Sip at \$50 a ticket.

We have paid Moon & Back for gifts.

# 5.3 Principal: Darren McDonald

### **Catholic Identity**

June 21 – Year 2 held the termly Eucharist in the chapel with father which was extremely well attended.

June 28 – We celebrated our Patron Saint, Saint Maria Goretti starting with Father celebrating Mass with us, then having some activities in the classrooms and the afternoon was a mission stall that each class held. A lot of fun and very meaningful. Staff were extremely well organised and the students had a brilliant day.

July 19 – We had a NAIDOC themed Mass to commence our NAIDOC celebrations. This was excellent

July 20 – year 6 teachers, Mr Gaudoin met with staff from Notre Dame and Father to finalise Confirmation

July 23 – Our Confirmation Commitment Mass for our candidates and their families was held at Notre Dame Church @ 6pm. All went well and majority of staff were in attendance to support and this was very well received by the families.

July 26 – Year 2 had their term 3 class liturgy once again great organisation by the teachers Mrs Watters and Mrs Mayo and terrific parent attendance. There was a beautiful ambience and a sense of genuineness about the occasion.

August 2 – Father came to school for the year 6 Confirmation Candidates to do their Reconciliation before doing their Confirmation on August 14. They were well prepared and once again all students were very respectful during the liturgy.

August 4 – Our year 6 teachers ran a Parent child workshop at Notre Dame for our Confirmation Candidates and their Parents this night. It was very well attended, well run and participation by all was heartwarming.

August 9 – St Mary MacKillop Mass

# **Teaching and Learning**

Challenge Club continues on a Wednesday after school thanks to Mr Diep, Miss Dickie and Miss Webster. They are currently preparing for the Tournament of Minds this term.

School Choir practice is happening before school on Wednesdays and they are preparing for the Catholic Performing Arts Festival this term.

June 16 – SMG Award Assembly was held

June 21 – Mrs Plint showcased what the children have been learning in recorder with a mini-concert in the afternoon. The students loved the opportunity to perform and the audience was very respectful.

June 22 – Pre-Primaries had a very successful farm excursion.

June 23 – Year 5M presented an excellent assembly of the work they have been doing in class. It was engaging, meaningful and very entertaining.

June 29 – Our Faction Cross Country Carnival was well organised and run by Mr Nardelli. Staff and parents were a terrific support and nearly every child completed their race.

July 1 – School reports were released.

July 28 – Our Student Inter-school cross country team represented our school with pride at the Inter-school Cross country Carnival at Tomato Lake this day. Their behaviour and sportsmanship was sensational. Thanks to Mr Nardelli for his hard work and staff for their support.

August 4 – Year 4G presented their class assembly and gave a great insight into their class work.

August 11 – SMG Award Assembly took place

# **Community**

June 17 – School Advisory Council meeting took place

June 28 – P&F provided and organised a terrific sausage sizzle for the students on SMG day.

July 1 – P&F held a Crazy Hair day for fun.

July 21 – Miss Carly Grey did a brilliant job with Our NAIDOC assembly, not just for our indigenous community but our whole community.

August 5 – School Advisory Meeting occurred continuing on strategic work set out.

## **Stewardship**

Staff are on committees working on plans for: Staff Well Being, Differentiation in the classroom, Teaching Maths, Catholic Identity, Sustainability and Community Outreach.

The work is coming together and plans will be ready to be presented and implemented over the course of this semester.

July 29 – The Leadership team attended the CEWA Leader's Forum at St Norberts and went over such issues as Quality Catholic Education in particular the area of Stewardship, Pastoral Communities and Staff.

### 5.4 Board: Darren McDonald

Still working on the carpark situation, it is on track. Plan has been sent into Council for approval. We are hoping it will go to tender in appropriate time. Would like carpark to be functional for start of next school year.

#### 6. Matters for Decision

6.1 VIP Parking Raffle - ticket prices and structure

\$2 per ticket and one raffle for Term 4 of this year. We will run another raffle for next year at a later date, to be inclusive of kindy parents.

Follow up: Merle to set up raffle

### 6.2 Cassie Rowe's donation

\$50 from Dymocks \$250 family pass

Can be used for sponsorship closing date raffle for voucher.

Follow up: Merle to email Cassie Rowe about voucher

6.3 Fete - fund-raising or community

Because it is such a big event, it should be a fundraiser. It will still be a community event but we will be focused on fundraising for something. We just have to decide what we want to be fundraising for.

Follow up: Nat to call first fete meeting, Merle to send list of fete committee members to Nat.

6.4 Cake Stall - collection of money

Students will pay cash for the stall as per previous year. Money will be banked by Evita that afternoon.

An invoice will need to be issued by the Year 6 parents to be paid for graduation.

Follow up: Nat to ask for invoices from graduation committee to be forwarded to executive in order to be paid after stall.

### 7. Matters for Discussion

### 7.1 Pieces of Me

Kelly has met with Nat and discussed this. The general premise is that students can place it in the undercover areas, on the walls. Each class will have a set budget of what they can spend on the project. We are proposing \$500 for each year group. The decision that they will need to make is what the artwork will be, what colours will be chosen (greater cost for more colours), whether it will be individual or shared, what materials they can choose for background and for attaching on (Lego, pebbles, etc), whether to split them into small groups or as whole class, how they will allocate roles, will they do it in class time or outside of class. Positioning on the wall will be decided on admin. Monique said there is a possibility of doing it during art class.

Some ideas could be a medallion wall (individual), tile mosaic, Lego pieces, picture pieces which make up a larger image.

This is more of a test year as it is a smaller class. It probably won't cost \$500 but this could be an upper limit.

Follow up: Nat and Kelly to liaise with Year 6 parents to get this off ground.

7.2 Fathers Day campout

Friday 21st October is the new date for the campout. We can ask for volunteers for this.

7.3 Book Club Fair

Book Fair will start on 8th September. All the books will be delivered to the school. We might stagger the students alphabetically so that they don't all come in at once. Students can purchase books on the spot, there is multiple copies of each items.

Teachers will also bring their classes in. There are wish lists that students can write down their preferred item.

It will be promoted through Facebook, newsletter, and there will be a box of promotional items. We can make it look very welcoming.

Sandra will write a letter home to parents that will explain what Book Fair is. It is possible for parents to preload money for students to buy books.

Parents can buy books for classroom. The sales result in a commission type to the school.

Book Week will be changed to reflect the book fair on the 8th of September.

We receive \$60 of free gifts from Scholastic that we might are able to use for a lucky dip raffle for Bookweek.

Follow up: Exec to ask for volunteers to help in mornings and afternoons with running of stall

7.4 Fathers Day raffle

We might consider this for next year as we don't have enough volunteers to organise this raffle currently.

7.5 Footsteps Dance Program

We don't need to do it for this year but it is something we can consider. \$3 a week per child for 5 weeks. We already have Claudia to do the concert this year. Will send through information to Darren for him to consider it for next year.

One of the parents works for this business.

Follow up: Merle to send email about Footsteps Dance Program to Darren

#### 7.6 New Business

Catholic School Parents WA Inc are using for payment of their overdue invoice. It was looked at by previous executive and they decided to pay it.

Will email them about what happens if we let it lapse this year and join again next year.

Follow up: Merle to email Catholic School Parents WA

# 8. Matters for Noting

- 8.1 P & F Logo competition judging to be shortlisted after the meeting by the executive.
- 8.2 Bunnings Sausage Sizzle prices have increased and not enough volunteers, hard to choose date this year. We have decided to look at it again next year.

## 8.3 Jump Rope For Heart

Thank you to Mr Vidovich for organising this. It is going very well, and there is a lot of enthusiasm from the students. A date for jump off needs to be decided.

# 8.4 Pottery & Sip Evening

Will be held on 2nd September and has been organised by Monique Ford together with exec. Nat and Merle to be helpers on evening. Sold out very quickly, will advertise for waiting list in case there is interest in second one.

### 8.6 Father's Day Stall

To be held on 29th August and 2nd September. Year 1 parents, with Lhasa, parent rep, to man the stall on 29th August

### **9. Date of Next Meeting** Friday 9th September at 9am

## **10. Closing** 10.25am