

St. Patrick's College Parents & Friends Association

MINUTES	Of the meeting held in the College staff room on Tuesday, 15 th April 2008
STATUS OF MINUTES	DRAFT for amendment/confirmation at the next scheduled meeting on 20 th May, 2008
MEETING CHAIR	Michael Johnston
MINUTE TAKER	Ann Viney
ATTENDEES	
APOLOGIES	Carolyn Gutteridge, Andrea Walsh, Michael Wells, Diane Marsden
PREVIOUS MINUTES	Moved Michael Smith seconded Gordana Crowe that the minutes of 18 th March, 2008 were a true and correct record. Carried.
BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Storm damage to the chapel – There will be an Insurance assessment carried out on the chapel roof after recent damage caused by the storm. The Chapel roof will be renewed sooner than later. Other damage caused were two skylights in the O'Halloran wing, uprooted trees, fence damage, and live wires near the Peel Street entrance were down.2. Michael reported that Andrea Walsh had received two diaries and that one had duplicated pages in the middle. She would drop this one into the office3. Blessing of the Boats/Cocktail Party – There were photo's in the Examiner of the Cocktail Party4. Links in the newsletter

CORRESPONDENCE INWARD

APC review

CORRESPONDENCE OUTWARD

Nil

BUSINESS ARISING FROM CORRESPONDENCE

Nil

TREASURER'S REPORT

1. Balance to date \$58,164.50

2. No income this month
3. Dimity suggested that we invest \$20,000 for 3 months. We will not need to pay for the refurbishing of the tennis courts for approximately three or four months. The College is waiting for the materials to arrive from New Zealand
4. Account to be passed for payment \$27.00 to Michael Smith for the Wine purchased for "Happy half hour" prior to meeting

Moved Dimity Stopford, seconded John Franklin the account be passed for payment and that the Treasurer's report be accepted. Carried

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

1. The College hosted a Food Fair two weeks ago and thanks to Gordana for co-ordinating that event on behalf of the Parish and the College. It was a very successful evening raising \$6,800. It is excellent that the school can have such an interest and become a partner and interact with the Parish.
2. The Pentecost Mass at the Silverdome. We hope a significant number of people will attend. This is a Parish based event; the Cross and Icon will be at the College on Monday for two hours, when the whole College will participate in the reception and pilgrimage of the Cross and Icon.
3. Year 11 and 12 Retreats were held last week. The outcome for students was very positive, and the involvement of students at Mass and Liturgy was excellent and a worthwhile experience with what we do here at school.
4. There will be a celebration at the end of the year to mark the 50th year of the Chapel and there will be an opening and blessing of the ITC rooms and Tennis courts.
5. School Development Plan – part of the TCEC and working party continues. There will be more research and development into shaping St.Patrick's College into the future. Simon will be accompanying three staff to Melbourne to look at eight different schools.

FEDERATION REPORTS NORTHERN REGION/STATE COUNCIL TCSPFF

State Conference Reports were given by Ann, Gordana and Anthea on the recent state conference held at St.Peter Chanel in Smithton.

- Highlights – Presentations given by Brendan Kelly "Parents – Why they are the giants within our schools"
- Mrs Jo Mohr – Power point presentation - the effective way the P & F is working at St. Anthony's – a business management approach
- Mrs Sue Napier –Engaging parents through effective partnerships – toward a smarter Tasmania
- Damian Von Samorzewski – How to strengthen the engagement – introduction to proposed Parent Liaison Adviser
- Mr Ian Dalton, Executive Director of the APC – Overcoming the challenges and developing a plan to partnerships 2008 and beyond
- David Bartlett –Minister for Education announced a 5% increase of funding to the Independent Sector this year, which is indexed to building costs

Motions passed at conference were:-

1. A motion for the development of written protocol for any comment in the public domain, including all media where such comment is, or could be construed as official Federation comment. This motion

was passed.

2. The second motion was to affiliate the Federation with the ICPA. This motion was also passed.

- There were only two schools who were not affiliated with the Federation, and there have been steps taken to rectify this situation.
- Martin presented a Lanyard to the meeting which has been suggested could be used in schools for Parents & Friends volunteers.
- Mars have sold their business so this was their last conference
- The Mass and dinner were a highlight of the weekend

A committee to organize the 50th conference to be held at St Patrick's College in 2009. Ann Viney, Simon Cobiac, Gordana Crowe, Dimity Stopford, Michael Johnston Gaylene Allen, Anthea Griffin, Mario and Jan de Jong, John Franklin, Yvonne Spriggs. The first meeting will be held after the P & F meeting on May 20th

New Treasurer for the state council of Federation is Linda Smith. Other office bearers did not change i.e. Bill Button President, Damian von Samorzewski

GENERAL BUSINESS

1. John Franklin asked If there were cameras in all corridors around the College as there seem to be many valuables and items going missing. Simon reported that there were cameras everywhere except the Rice wing. The cameras are activated by movement and recorded to a central computer. This can be tracked to a date and time.
2. Andrea Walsh has offered to give people a tour of the library at the next meeting. This was welcomed and Ann to confirm this with Robyn McKenzie and Andrea Walsh.
3. Michael reported that the ancd.org.au (Australian National Council on Drugs – random testing in schools) website. There is a 70 or 80 page documentation that people may be interested in.

MEETING CLOSURE

Meeting closed at 9 p.m. with the Lord's Prayer

NEXT MEETING

Tuesday 20th May, 2008

7 p.m. - "Happy Half Hour"

7:30pm - Short meeting then a "Tour of the Library"

50th Conference Committee meeting at 8.30 p.m.

