

August Meeting

SOUTHERN CROSS CATHOLIC COLLEGE
PARENTS AND FRIENDS COMMITTEE

10th August 2020

Meeting opened 7:00pm

1. PRESENT

Julie Carney, Tony Earwaker, Angela Donohoe, Rebecca Clair, Andrea Camilleri, Trish Harley, Rob Harley, Michael Papas, Fiona McCormack, Natalie McCall, Giules Busato, Kylie Helmore and Veronica Horn

APOLOGIES

Tracey Hartman, Rianne McGregor, Luke and Rae Serrurier and Greg Cameron

2. PRAYER

P & F Meeting Prayer - lead by Kylie Helmore

3. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETINGS

Was tabled and passed

4. REPORTS

President's Report	- was tabled and is attached to the official record of the Minutes.
Treasurer's Report	- was tabled and is attached to the official record of the Minutes.
Principles Report	- was tabled and is attached to the official record of the Minutes.
Diocesan Report	- was tabled and is attached to the official record of the Minutes.

Items raised from Reports

Refer to "other" section for questions

5. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE PREVIOUS MEETING

Tea Towel Update
Form will be sent out next Monday on What's On and postings will start on Facebook.
Prep Toilet Seat
Toilet is located at Prep C. All toilets are to Queensland standards. A conversation will be had with the teacher of the student with the concern.
Parents and students using grass area
Greg was looking into the issue and Kylie was unaware of the outcome. She will get Greg to give feedback to the Committee next meeting.
Mother's Day Event
Organiser has had to cancel the event due to the mingling issue. The organiser for next year will need to be finalised as the current organiser may not continue.
Computer for pre-loved uniform shop
IT staff are working with the issue as the pre-loved uniform shop needs an email address. Kylie will look into it and find a way to issue a computer.

6. INWARDS / OUTWARDS CORRESPONDENCE

- Email: Received Grounds Staff purchase request
- Email: Minutes to College administration for College website
- Email: Closing Queensland Country Bank Account
- Email: All secondary staff on Tea Towels
- Email: Expressions Tea Towels update
- Posted: Tea Towels images
- Email: College administration for College Logo
- Email: Diocese of Townsville General Meeting information
- Facebook Post: Start of Year 2 – 3 playground
- Email: Pre-loved uniform shop (college ICT team and pre-loved uniform convener)
- Email: Primary music teacher in regards to Carols on the Lawn (please refer to “General Business” for further details)
- Email: Mother’s Day Function (President and event co-ordinator)
- Email: APRE purchase request (please refer to “other” for further details)

7. GENERAL BUSINESS

Groundsman purchase request

The committee agree that it makes sense for the College to purchase this equipment (aerator and spray boom) as the ovals are visible from the main road. However, more quotes will be needed with this type of purchase (3 quotes in total). Committee would also like more information on how often they use it as it would be a major purchase. An email will be sent requesting this information.

Carols on the Lawn

The Carols on the Lawn this year are in doubt due to the COVID restrictions but will be revisited by the end of term. Currently, it may be videoed to a SCCC carols collection that families can play at home, maybe on Christmas Day?

Other:

Casserole bank “Serve it Up” – When community members are having tough times e.g. health, financial and displacement, the College can offer a meal from the casserole bank.

Questions:

Are the people cooking the food required to have a Food Handling Certificate? Currently it’s done on goodwill and the recipients are well aware that the food has been home cooked.

Are there any concerns with the bulk meals being stored in the fridge if the fridge was to stop working? There wouldn’t be an excessive amount of food stored.

Rebecca spoke about her children’s old school did a similar thing and it was very successful. Parents were asked to put their names on a register and the school would contact them when they needed meals. The pitch will be put to the school community through the College Newsletter.

Motion to spend \$1800 on a freezer – 12 out of 12 agreed – carried.

Andrea suggested that at the first meeting for next year we could consider agreeing to a lump sum of P&F money that the College could spend for the year, to stop the back and forth as they know more about

what the College needs. However, other members at the meeting felt that this wouldn't be a good idea as more input would be preferred due to it being P&F money.

- Before the first meeting next year, the P&F should ask the College for their perspective on what they would like to see happen as we are not always aware of what is coming up.
- In previous years the principal has requested spending allocations.
- Another suggestion is that other schools allowed groups within the College to come in and ask for money. However, this could get heated at times.

We should let people know more on what the P&F have supported:

- Add signage to purchases – basketball courts and new playground to start.
- When quotes are being put forward, signage should also be considered.

Fiona felt that the minutes are not detailed enough and would like the principal's report attached to the College Website. She felt that when she doesn't attend the meeting the minutes don't give her enough information on what happened and this is why when she comes to the meetings she needs to ask so many questions to get clarity.

Kylie said she will talk to Greg about adding the principal's report. However, she doesn't think he will have a problem with this as everything he mentions is in the College Newsletter anyway.

- Do kids need to wear helmets when they are on scooters? Because they never do, especially when they cross the bridge.

Kylie – Students are reminded regularly to wear helmets in the newsletter and on assemblies.

- Also, kids not walking their bikes across the lights and crossing.

Kylie - Students are educated about this on a regular basis. CLT are always reminding students to put their helmets on and to get off their bikes at crossings. This is why the CLT are placed on the gates and pick up zones in the afternoon.

- Also, parents are still not using stop and go well

- Crossing under highway - Will the council consider making another underpass in addition to the one for William Ross SHS that our students cannot access.

Kylie – Yes this is an issue as we cannot go through their school grounds. The College is building another bike cage beside the Year 2 building grass area due to more students driving and using bikes.

Next Meeting – Monday 14th September 2020

Closing 8:03 pm

College Principal: _____

P&F President: _____