



ST JOHN'S PARENT & FRIENDS COMMITTEE

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St John's P & F Association General Meeting

19th May, 2021

@ The White Bull Tavern

MEETING OPENED: 5.48pm

PRESENT: Anita Crawford, Kylie Sabine, Rachel Stanford, Jim Brennan, Ally Watson, Katrina Barden.

APOLOGISES: Judy Hafemeister, Kiara Williams, Leesa Murray.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS GENERAL MEETING

Minutes Previous General Meeting Minutes for June were tabled to be true and correct.

Moved: Katrina Barden

Seconded: Ally Watson

REPORT ON ACTION OF MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

Nothing to report

SECRETARY ADVISE OF ANY CORRESPONDENCE

Office of Fair Trading Annual Return has been submitted and payment to be approved and paid.

Email received from Sarah Clear – asking if the P&F would provide Fruit platters for Wellness Week.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT – Anita Crawford

Nothing to Report, discussion further in General Discussion

TREASURERS REPORT

P & F Account Balances as at 30th April, 2021

St Johns P&F	Balances at 30/4/2021
Tuckshop Acc	\$53,223.58
Savings Acc	\$37,636.49
General Acc	\$3,356.91
Race Day Acc	\$11,490.33
Moonlight Saving Acc	\$17,698.16

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Moonlight General Acc	\$20,393.73
Total	\$143,799.20

Moved that account balances are true & correct,

Moved: Rachel Stanford **Seconded:** Katrina Barden

Judy Reported on the outstanding Tuckshop accounts to be paid

Tuckshop Accounts to be paid as 17/5/21

PFD	April Acct	\$214.00
Western Bakeries	April Acct	\$843.40
Western Food wholesalers	April Acct	\$4124.00
GR & AV Webb – Lion Franchisee/Dist	April Acct	\$931.80
Office of Fair Trading – Annual Return	Annual Return	\$57.60
	Total	\$6170.80

Moved that Outstanding Account balances are true & correct

Moved: Anita Crawford **Seconded:** Ally Watson

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT – Jim Brennan

Dear Parents and Friends of St Johns,

At the recent Roma Show, the work of students and staff was on display showcasing learning experiences from the previous twelve months. These were captured in a time- line which included remote learning during the COVID-19 pandemic. I acknowledge the exceptional work of students on display which included hand- writing, art, cooking and woodwork. Results are detailed further in this newsletter. Thank you to staff, Mark and Angela Brennan and Yenda Emery who constructed the school display which was rewarded with first place in the school display section.

On the same weekend St Johns students competed against Marist College Emerald in Rugby League in U/13, U/15 and open age divisions. Each age group played two games across Saturday and Sunday and I congratulate all three teams who won their respective matches. I am appreciative of the time given by our staff including Mr Ross Penrose, Sam Valentine and Andrei Dobrota to provide a wonderful sporting opportunity. Equally, it was wonderful to connect with former staff member, Mr Mark Shields who is now working at Marist College and helped facilitate the games. St Johns is keen to keep this school relationship into the future to provide extra sporting opportunities for both schools.

On Tuesday evening students from Year 3-6 presented project- based learning at the 2021 Enrichment Night. This event provides an opportunity for students to research and showcase an area of interest to the school community. The quality of the presentations was extremely high with presentations on martial arts, interior

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decorating, optical illusions, mind craft, motor-cross and pet training to name a few. To round off the evening guests were treated to singing and dance performances highlighting the diversity of opportunities available to all students at St John's School. I thank Miss Megan Hooper for her exceptional organisation of what was a truly enriching experience for all.

NAPLAN assessment has commenced this week (Tuesday 11th May) for Year 3,5,7 and 9 and will conclude at the end of week 5 (Friday 19th May). Students will complete four individual tasks in numeracy, reading, language conventions and writing on separate days.

The St John's Open Day will be held on Sunday 23rd May commencing at 10am and conclude at 11.30am. This year the day will commence with a Principal's address, followed by tours of the school showcasing programs and facilities. The morning also presents an opportunity for families to meet staff and student leaders.

I also suggest families mark the St John's Race Day (Saturday August 21) in their calendars. The day is a fund raiser conducted by the St John's Parents and Friends Association and is a wonderful opportunity for parents, friends and staff to mix in a friendly environment. The day also presents an opportunity for existing families to introduce new families considering St John's as a schooling option.

Finally, I am pleased to announce that the St John's Quadrennial School Review Report has been posted to the school website for viewing. Dr Pat Coughlan, Executive Director of Toowoomba Catholic Education has reviewed the report and has congratulated the school and expressed his high satisfaction with the findings. He described the school as a place of exemplary learning and spiritual development and noted the regard with which the school is held in the Roma Community. The report recommends improvement strategies and celebrates the many fine achievements and qualities of St Johns.

Last Wednesday the School Board endorsed additions to the girl's uniform. Tailored shorts in the tartan fabric will be introduced and long navy pants. The school will be working with Uniform Locker arrange for supply.

The school will be applying for BGA funding in 2021. There will be three elements to the application:

- A. Increase to Administration and associated parking (located on the Pinnaroo Land Swap Site)
- B. Second undercover multipurpose structure on the Pinnaroo Land Swap Site
- C. New Prep Classroom

God Bless

Jim Brennan

ITEMS OPEN FOR GENERAL DISCUSSION

Race Day - Kylie reported that all sponsorship letters have been sent out and they are slowing coming in. The committee will soon ask for helpers.

Moonlight Fair – Everything is progressing along. The Sub committee will soon begin their planning.

Kiara sent a message to say that the Mother's Day Stall raised \$1500.00 this year.

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Jim asked if the P&F would be interested in assisting with the funding of employing Damien Corkett - School Chaplain - \$10,000.00 is the figure Jim is asking. Anita asked that we put it to the next meeting when all Committee members are present.

Sarah Clear contacted the P&F to see if we would be happy to provide Fruit Platters for assist them with this. Anita to organise with Sarah.

Survey year 5-yr 12 – Navy Slacks was voted in and Tartan Shorts. Perhaps will be available in 2022.

MEETING CLOSED @ 6.35pm

Next Meeting 16th June 2021 @ 5.30 pm from the White Bull Tavern

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