ALL SAINTS’ COLLEGE PARENTS AND FRIENDS ASSOCIATION MEETING
TUESDAY 4th May 2010
Watson Boarding House

Time commenced: 5.55pm

Attendance:-

Apologies:-

Amendment to Minutes Dated 23rd March 2010:

Motion:- “That the amended Minutes from P&F Meeting dated Tuesday 23 March 2010 are accepted and endorsed as read”

Business Arising:-
* That John Morris holds the canteen key for the P&F so that we are able to access them at all times.
* Fridge for Bickerdike- Lesley Bland advised that Dawson’s are picking up the fridge on 6/5/2010 and should arrive the following day.
* Stationery Book Listing on Website; Dr. Peter Miller advised that this will be something that should be up and running for next year.

Correspondence In:-
* The P&F executive moved a motion at their last meeting to pay for the microwave purchased for Lyon House for the total sum of $50.
* NSW Parent’s Council Awards for Excellence nomination and AGM invitation.
* Email from National Trust regarding the bricks for the Heritage Walk.
* Email from Jock Bidwell to heather Cozens regarding bricks to be used from the Opera house for the Memorial walk.
* APC review.
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Correspondence Out:-
* Email from Heather Cozens to Jock Bidwell in regards to the old bricks from the Opera house.
* Letter from Glenda Isbister requesting the P&F pay for the microwave purchased for Lyon House.

Treasurer’s Report:- Mr. John Morris  per Mr. Gavin Douglas
In Gavin’s absence John Morris presented the Treasurer’s report stating that the total available funds as of 26th April 2010 are $44,508.61. John also informed all present that the books will need to be audited as soon as Gavin has them ready and that this will continue annually.

Senior School Report:- Mr. Stewart Ross
* Literature Festival took place at the end of last term and all authors at the festival spoke to the children regarding various aspects of their work.
* A School Captain recently took part in the Lyons Club Public Speaking Contest and was presented at assembly with a certificate for her efforts.
* The Rugby Tour to NZ was a great success and of the 4 matches played, All Saints’ won all 4. Everyone involved has given positive feedback and said that all students were great representatives for our school.
* Year 7 had their camp in week 2 term2 and this was a new venture for the school, camping at Chowder Bay and Cockatoo Island. They experienced orienteering around Sydney, snorkelling and many other activities.
* Our School Captains took part in the Anzac Day Dawn Service laying a wreath. Our Junior School was represented in the Anzac Day March as well.
* In WAS hockey our boys and girls teams both had wins while 2 student’s made the representative side for the girls and one male student was chosen in the under 17’s as a shadow player.
* Naplan testing is to be held next week and there is no need to panic as our teacher will not be striking.
* Our annual presentation Ball will be held on May 22nd.
Head of College Report:- Dr. Peter Miller

*Yr. 7 camp had many highlights and many complained of sore feet but this was all forgotten with the sighting of seahorses in Sydney Harbour.
* The building of the our new library is going according to schedule and Hines Construction have been fantastic to deal with along with Bob Pardy who has also been involved with the project. Bob was involved with the building of E and F block and it’s great to have his expertise on board.
* The senior choir will sing at the Cathedral Wed night to help mark the 140th anniversary of the diocese.
* Dr. Miller will be out and about in the Central West, Sydney, Lithgow, and Young promoting the school to try and build bigger boarding numbers and will be supported by past and present parents and students.
* Parent Suppers will be held soon. Tuesday 11th May Yr.11 & 12
  Wednesday 19th May Yr. 9 & 10
  Thursday 17th June Yr.7 & 8

Yr 3 - 6 will be held this Friday. These suppers are a good opportunity for fellowship.
* ACER scholarships will be held on Saturday and we have 50 students sitting in year 7 alone.
* Show jumping will be held on May 16th and a big thank you to the Stockman’s for being the driving force behind that.
* Dr. Miller has concern for students beyond school and would like to have some forums to help students with their endeavours after school. GAP years are hard to place and he has enlisted help from two different organisations; Up and Under and Tutors World Wide. A careers information evening on June 3rd has also been organised that will be presented by Memory Sanders. Mr. Clydesdale will talk to boarders to encourage them to commence planning their CV’s and if anyone would like to share any information about their current occupation please feel free to contact Mrs. Saunders at the College.
* Chris Jackman is still ill and has recently had some scans that have all come back clear and his recommended treatment at the moment is rest.

Junior P&F Report:- Mrs. Donna Hope

* Junior school hosted morning tea and lunch for CWA Public Speaking today and at a rough tally made $1000.
* We are planning a working bee to have our vegetable garden beds erected.
* Our students are working on their contributions to the up coming Art Show.
* WAS Cross Country will be held this coming Thursday.
* Our Treasures Report as of 27/04/2010 is $5406.20. $1924.00 committed $3482.20 total available funds
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Foundation Report:- Mr. John Morris  per Mrs. Jane Taylor
* Letter from Jane regarding that the Foundation is seeking to appoint a secretary if anyone is interested could they please contact Jane.

Art Show Report:- Mrs. Maree Crofts
* Art show is only 2 weeks away and we have some forms back from artists and a gallery in Sydney has indicated they will send in approximately 60 works.
* On Friday 14th we will need help to move the boards for set up. If you can help, please be at the Bickerdike at 6pm.
* Raffle prizes and tickets are ready: 1st place Oil Painting by Ian Webber
  2nd place Necklace donated by WJ Cootes
  3rd place Watercolour by Jenny LP
* Art teacher Fiona Hayward will host opening night and there will be a guest speaker from Arts Out West.
* Parent year groups have been asked to help with the weekend and Lesley Bland needs cakes donated for the café.
* Meeting this Thursday hope to see you there.

Boarding House Report:- Mr. Eliot Sanger
* Welcome everyone, it’s lovely to have guests on the grounds; we love it and the kids love it.
* A third of our students are in Senior School boarding.
* We stand by our Pastoral Care and while this is not home we try to make it as close as possible.
* We improved the house a little with new carpet (Recycled from the Library), a digital projector (from the Boarding P&F) and fish tank (Mr. Sanger’s). We still need to upgrade the kitchen and its floor (Watson).
* There are 19 staff members in total to run the 4 boarding houses and we believe in good team building and there is always a member of staff on duty.
* Start our day at 7am, breakfast at 8am, after which School. Afternoons see dinner from 6.30pm to 8pm, then Prep Time. Lights out by 10.30pm for seniors, earlier for juniors. On weekends we try to have activities like taking a trip to Sydney or Jenolan Caves etc., we also like to encourage time with day families.
* We have enough space in Watson House so that the boy’s can have their own study room where they keep their books and laptops. This means their bedrooms are for relaxing and sleeping.
General Business:-
* A new funding form has been devised and was presented to the executive for approval. Please look over it, as we are very keen to have it place ASAP
* The bubblers have been paid for and installed in the year 3 & 4 classrooms. There are still more to install but this is encouraging progress.
* We are still looking at getting the Constitution installed correctly. Asked that Adrian contact the P&F President, John Morris to organise changes and adjustments.
* Kay Crawford advised that the Memorial Walk paving has been started outside the Chapel and work is forging ahead.
* The City Country Program is still being discussed due to much interest from parents. The P&F would like to build a relationship between boarders and day families. There are still some issues to be addressed and this topic will be kept on our agenda.
* Maree Crofts enquired about a list of families with businesses. This discussion follows from last year when Susan Douglas volunteered to coordinate the program and get it off the ground. John Morris will follow this up to ascertain where it is up to.
* Invoice received for $2500 for the Boys for Books program. A motion had been passed previously regarding this and the P&F is to fund $2500 for 3 years for this program. This is a great focus for boys to enjoy reading.
* The Whole School P&F is keen where possible to be involved in helping our boarders. John Morris attends all boarding P&F meetings and realises the difficulties in raising funds. We are looking at compiling a wish list and it our hope that we can help our boarding houses as much as possible.
* The P&F encourage everyone to stay for a tour of Watson Boarding house.

Next Meeting: Tuesday 8th June 2010 starting at 5.45pm at the Hospitality Rooms

Meeting Closed: 7.30pm