ALL SAINTS’ COLLEGE PARENTS AND FRIENDS ASSOCIATION MEETING
TUESDAY 23 MARCH 2010
Yr 3 classroom – Junior School

Time commenced: 5.45pm

Motion: “That the minutes from P&F Meeting dated Tuesday 9 February 2010 are accepted and endorsed”

CARRIED

Business Arising from minutes of previous meeting:
* Fridge for Bickerdike is just waiting to be transported from Sydney.
* Stationery Book Listing on Website-Dr. Peter Miller still to look into this.

Correspondence In:
* Letter from Sydney Wildlife world donating a family pass to Sydney Aquarium, Sydney Wildlife world or Sydney Tower. This will be used for the chocolate wheel at Spring Fair.
* Letter from the Bathurst Eisteddfod society requesting sponsorship for sections or full page advertising-
  Motion moved.
  Motion: “That the P&F will donate $100 to the Bathurst Eisteddfod society for sponsorship.”  CARRIED

* Thankyou letter from Kindergarten to P&F for purchasing the Elmo.
* Parents Council Newsletter as well as annual affiliation fees and Subscription for 2010.
  Motion:” That the Parents Council annual fees and subscription be paid in full.”  CARRIED

Correspondence Out:
* Letter from John Morris to The Right Reverend Bishop Hurford regarding memorial for Val Malone.
* Letter from John Morris to all All Saints’ families regarding important dates to remember and the $20 annual P&F subscription.

Treasurer’s Report:
Amendment to “Committed Funds” memorial Walk should read $5000 and funds for Junior P&F Vege Garden need to be removed. Total should then read $17742.

Junior School Report: Chris Jackman
* Kindergarten teacher has expressed how effective document readers are and asked that the P&F be thanked.
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* New to the Junior School was an Equestrian Training day and this was a huge success.
* P&F committee will be busy next term organising two parent suppers, CWA Morning Tea and lunch, WAAS, and Trivia Night. The Junior School greatly appreciates the strong parent support.
* Chris has a long wish list and hopes with continued support that it can be completed.
* Appreciates coaching help from parents and uni students for Junior School sport, as the ratio for teachers to students is impossible.

Senior School Report: - Stewart Ross
* Yr. 12 undergoing exams and have well received the two study skills nights organised by Jenny Lavoipiere.
* The first week in March saw the Ag Dept enter the Beef Spectacular in Dubbo. This was to replace entry in The Royal Easter show. It was a closer venue and this meant less cost. It is a major event with over 200 schools represented. Unfortunately it clashed with the Bathurst show however the school was still represented in the Young achievers Category.
* On March 5th 50 students represented the school in the ISA Swimming with good results especially in the 13yrs age group.
* In ISA Cricket our team made the finals. Unfortunately they didn’t win but it was a great experience for this young side and they have a promising future.
* Inter House debating was held on the 9th of March this was very pleasing as all students were encouraged to get involved.
* Our boarders had a different experience with a day out in Sydney, with some student’s first visit to the city. They visited the IMAX theatre and the Aquarium. Looking at making this happen on a more regular basis.
* Yr 9 is currently on camp they should have an enjoyable time.
* Two students have been elected in executive positions for the Bathurst youth Council; Mayor and Secretary.

Head of College Report: Dr. Peter Miller
* Hines Constructions has won the tender for the building of the new library. The first site meeting was today and it will be fenced off on Monday. Completion should be around week 3-4 in term 3. The first week in November should see us move into the new building.
* Heads of departments have compiled a wish list, which contains a list of projects to meet the educational needs of our kids at school. This will be presented at our next P&F meeting.
Art Show Report: Maree Crofts

* All fast mailings that were sent out to artists have been returned.
* Next meeting is on the first Thursday next term in the Junior School at 7pm – and everyone is welcome.
* There will be three raffle prizes this year and raffle tickets will be mailed out separately from the invites, which will be posted during the holidays.

General Business:

* The P&F Executive has devised a new form for those seeking P&F financial support. This form will need to be presented to Staff and the Head of College before consideration by the Executive.
* Parent Suppers are being organised and here are the tentative dates:
  
  Yrs 7-8  17th June Week 9 Term 2
  Yrs 9-10  19th May Week 5 Term 2
  Yrs 11-12  11th May Week 4 Term 2

  These suppers will be an opportunity for fellowship and help us to prepare for The Art Show and Spring Fair.
* Dr Miller sought financial assistance to replace 2 domestic grade stoves with new industrial grade units. This has been an ongoing commitment. Initially purchase one as this is an urgent need, then look later this year/early next year for the second replacement.  2 Quotations supplied and tabled.

  Motion: “That the P&F fund 50% of the cost of one industrial stove for the hospitality rooms up to the amount of $3000.” CARRIED

* The executive met at the back of the Junior School in regards to the Vege Gardens project. We discussed using existing bricks from Ag plots to help with costs. This was not possible. Another Executive meeting was called to vote on the motion passed at the last meeting, which was subsequently defeated. The Executive was fully supportive of the project however more detail was required along with a new motion. Plan and details were tabled and filed with quotations for approximated cost of the project.

  Motion: “That the whole school P&F contributes up to $3200 for the supply of materials to construct the four vegetable gardens for the Junior School.” CARRIED

* Heating for school swimming pool- currently we are only getting 2 months a year swimming time. Mel Geyer will research costs of different aspects of heating the pool and present it to the P&F at the end of the year in the hope that we can possibly fund this project so that our kids can enjoy much more swimming time in our pool.
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* Cost of Bathurstian- there has been some concerns expressed in regards to the on going increasing cost of the publication as well as free copies being supplied when not wanted. Bob Poole has confirmed costing and supplied the forms regarding sponsorship to assist. He will liaise with Dr. Miller to put in place a method to exclude those staff not needing/wanting a free copy.

* Discussion of college accounts and when they are actually due, and when we can normally expect to receive them. This month received early. Peter to check with David Blackshaw in regards to this.

* Consideration of inviting a guest speaker at our P&F meetings regarding issues concerning parents and it was suggested that maybe this could be incorporated with our parent suppers.

* Buddy system for new boarders – City Country program. The idea is to link a boarder with a day student so that they feel they someone close by. This program used to be in place, and now different issues exist causing this program concern (Eg; Child Protection) Dr. Miller stated he would address these issues, which should not preclude its re-introduction. Those present that were familiar with the program were fully supportive of its re-introduction due to the positive benefits enjoyed by all in the past.

* Concerns rose regarding boys Barton House due to safety and maintenance. Dr. Miller expressed the need to increase the amount of families paying the building fund. Currently only 87 families contribute regularly and this money comes directly back into the school so he urges us to contribute so that the school can be maintained.

* Coffee machine to have a permanent home next to the P&F canteen. Suggested that only P&F hold keys to this area to ensure it is looked after properly. A student is still currently using it.

* Constitution status to be carried over to next meeting

* Bubblers are still waiting to be installed and the invoice has not yet been paid.

* Need to clarify where next meeting will be held – please keep an eye on the P&F page of the ASC website.

Next Meeting: Tuesday 4th May 2010 starting at 5.45pm

Meeting Closed: 7.25pm