ALL SAINTS’ COLLEGE PARENTS AND FRIENDS ASSOCIATION MEETING
TUESDAY 3rd May, 2011

Girl’s Boarding Facilities

Meeting Opened: 5.45pm

Motion “That the minutes from the P & F Meeting dated 22nd March 2011 be accepted and endorsed as read”

Business Arising: Nil

Correspondence
- In:
  o Bathurst Eisteddfod Sponsorship Offer.  
  Motion “P & F sponsor full page Advert for $100 in Bathurst Eisteddfod booklet”
  o Good Guys Fundraiser
  Motion “All Saints College P &F Register for ‘School is Cool Program’ at The Good Guys Bathurst”
  o NSW Parent Council Awards for Excellence.
- Out: Letter to Bishop Hurford re P&F Council Nomination

Treasurers Report: Mr Gavin Douglas
Treasurer’s report presented as tabled

Head of College Report: Dr Miller

Staffing changes –
  o Mr Jon Clipsham has been appointed to teach Music. He commences on Monday 23 May. Before his arrival, Elizabeth Sergeant will be taking the classes previously taught by Jason Buckley.
  o Mr Simon Morris has been appointed to Groundsman. He commences work this Wednesday
  o Mrs L-P is on sick leave for six weeks of this term. Mr John Gannon will be overseeing the operation of the ILC in her absence.
  o School Clinic operations – the hours of opening are currently under review. New hours will continue to cover the school day and boarder needs out of school hours immediately before and after school on weekdays.

Staff Melodrama –
  o “Overbelly” and “PON v Wild” were performed at school on Saturday 30 April. This event has raised money for the Staff Scholarship for an outgoing Year 12 student later this year. Thank you to everyone who supported the event.

Promotion and marketing –
  o Open Day – A revised format was used this year. Any feedback would be appreciated. Initial responses have been very positive.
Meet and Greets – these have continued with very successful events held in Sydney, West Wyalong, Cowra, Lithgow and Nyngan last term. We have staff attending the Dubbo Boarding Expo this weekend with more Meet and Greets in Canberra (25 May) and Dubbo (1 June) this term.

Show Jumping –
  o Planning continues for the Show jumping event at school on Sunday 22 May. Details are on the website. This will be a great event for the whole school.

Scholarship interest –
  o This year we have distributed 140 scholarship information packs. In 2009 we sent out 45 and in 2010 a total of 75 were distributed. This represents a strong interest in the school within Bathurst and across potential boarders.

NSW School Bursars’ Association Conference –
  o This annual conference was held here during the first week of the vacation.

ASC has a Facebook presence.
Partnering with Mr Steven Bowers from Burgmann Anglican School, Canberra.
  o Mr Bowers will be observing / working with Dr Miller at ASC and Dr Miller will be going to Canberra and observing there.

Senior School Report: Mr Stewart Ross

Brainstorm productions
  o As part of our Pastoral Care program, we had Brainstorm Productions visit the school to perform “Cheap Thrills” This was a fast-paced one-man show about that split second when we reach a crossroad, make a choice, take a risk, and possibly change our lives forever. Follow up activities were undertaken in House period.

Parader’s twilight event
  o The inaugural Twilight Paraders took place on the 1st April thanks to the efforts of Mr Whitfeld. There was a series of events requiring the parading of cattle and goats as well as other fun activities. There was a great “turn –up” and a very positive feeling about the activity.

Mock trial
  o The school has now won 4 trials in our “local region” and is heading towards its next competition from other regional winners.

Literature Festival
  o Again this year 3 exciting authors giving workshops and talks to different year groups. The authors were Roland Harvey who is best known as an illustrator of children’s books using pen, ink and watercolours in a “slapstick style”, James Moloney best known for young adult novels and Paul Stafford, a literacy consultant who specialises in reluctant boy readers.
  o Year 12 had a writing workshop on “Belonging” which is a theme they have to do for the HSC.
Year 12 Parent Teacher interviews
  o The first of our “on-line” booking system of interviews took place at the start of the term. As with some new systems, we encountered some “glitches” leading up to the night. We believe these have been sorted and the next interviews will be the Year 11’s on 27th May.

Year 7 Camp
  o Year 7 have left for Chowder Bay and Cockatoo Island for their camp. This venue was used for the first time last year and proved to be very successful experience for our students; Snorkelling, Kayaking, regenerating bushland, exploring tunnels near Chowder Bay and the different ecosystems and tourism of Cockatoo Island will be some features.
  o Our Outdoor Education program has camps building upon skills and experiences each year so there is a progression towards more difficult skills and experiences by the time they attend the Year 10 camp.

Staff Melodrama.
  o This gala event took place last Saturday with the production of PON v Wild and Overbelly. It was a fun evening for both families and the staff and the money raised goes toward the staff scholarship for a Yr 12 student for their tertiary studies. Thanks especially must go the Jenny LP for all that she did for the production.

Naplan.
  o The NAPLAN tests – (National Assessment Program for Literacy and Numeracy) will take place for Years 3,5,7 and 9 next week (10th – 12th May). Letters to Parents with more details have been mailed. Results for parents will be available around mid-September.

Junior School Report:  Mr Chris Jackman
  o White Fence around Vegetable Gardens – thank you to the P & F for providing 50% of the funds for the fence. The materials have been ordered and a working bee will be organised once we have everything.
  o Trivia Night – 18th June. Plans have already begun for this major fund raising event.
  o Movie Under the Stars – new fund raising idea for Term 4. We are hiring a large outdoor movie screen and having a movie night.
  o Technology in Classrooms – all junior school classrooms have 6 new computers in them (Kindy has 4) plus an inter-active whiteboard. This provides the school with a fantastic ratio of students to computers.
  o Twilight parader’s competition went well.
  o Having a chicken program this term (utilizing P&F portable stall).
  o Sponsorship - Coles shop a dockets ‘Sport for schools’.
    ➢ Bought infants sports equipment with vouchers.
    ➢ Promotional information left at Coles about the school.
  o Cyber safety meeting 25th June, 6:30pm in Library for Parents.
    ➢ Having a talk for children in year 3-6, at 2pm.
    ➢ Library staffs are running E- Library after supper for parents.
Boarders Report: Read by John Morris:
- Watson Kitchen completed, boarders are very happy with it.
- Duty phone numbers to be more readily available for day parents as well as boarders, too complicated to get off website.

Art Show Report: Mrs Maree Crofts
- 3 weeks to Arts show for 2011
- Letters to be sent to year parents to organize a roster for their year’s duty.
- Invitations to be sent out soon.
- Raffle tickets to be sent out later.
- 40 new artists invites sent out, one returned.
- Quilter from Canberra.
- Quilt as first prize in Raffle.
- Quilts will be for sale.

General Business
- All Saints College Drug and Alcohol Committee.
  - To be used as a proactive tool to educate parents about Alcohol and Drugs, and kids in 2011.
  - Contact Trinity College re using information.
  - Form a committee to decide the scope, and then have a forum for discussion, then information about effects of mixing different types of drinks (energy, Alcohol) and drugs.
  - Dr Miller supports a resource for the parents of the school to be produced.
  - John Morris to advertise for expression of interest to form a committee.
- All Saints College Cattle Scheme proposal.
  - Margaret Gaal spoke about a scheme to raise money for the Agriculture department.
  - Get parents to donate money to buy a beast, feed or provide agistment for the animal.
  - School owns all animals, and they know where all animals are at all times.
  - Females have calves, then steers are sold and females kept for more breeding or sold.
  - Margaret Gaal, Bruce Clydesdale and Mark Whitfield are the people who to liaise with.
- Procedure update for funding applications.
  - John Morris said that all funding application have to have 2 quotes, does not matter how much it costs. Only exemptions are, if there is only one supplier of the product.
- Social Function 4th June –Whole school P &F family event.
- Increase in Whole school fundraising. Looking at ideas.
- Bubblers—should be 5 bubblers left, 13 purchased originally, 8 in place in Junior School classrooms.
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- **Blinds** outside Bickerdike building to be put up. Peter to speak to Gavan Carter.
- **Mirror for boys change room at the Bickerdike.**
  - At present when boys need to put in contact lenses they have to go to the girls change room to do this.
  - Soap dispensers, paper towel dispensers in change rooms and toilet area are needed.

**Next Meeting:**- Tuesday 7th June 2011, 5.45pm **in Kemmis Building** (Performing Arts Centre) Right at Roundabout – Park in Main Car Park.

Meeting Closed 7.20pm

**Tour of Girl’s boarding facilities conducted by Mrs Gillian McAlister***