



MAZENOD COLLEGE

Parents & Friends - Minutes 14 May 2019

Meeting Opened: 07:03 pm

Present: Andrew Watson, Tony Checker, Fiona Walker, Sue DuPont, Susi Purcell, Kelli Peters, Jeff Ronan, Joel Nevin, Steph Bewick, Ralph Bradstreet and Ann Bond

Apologies: Shayla Strapps and Christie Van der Beeke

Opening Prayer: 'Prayer for a Meeting' read by Tony

Minutes of previous meeting

- Minutes of Tuesday 12 March 2019:
 - Moved: Jeff Ronan
 - Seconded: Kelli Peters

Business arising from previous minutes:

- Nil

Principal's report:

- Good start to term.
- Faith & Admission: St Vinnie's ~ 30 new students joined during Term 1, now have 60 students in total. Year 7 to Year 12 ~ active in community, leading in Caritas and attending Archbishops Winter Appeal.
- Staff Faith Development ~ on Thursday afternoons. Facilitated by Damian Wallis – Term 1 focus on Lent and Term 2 focus on Charities of the Oblates.
- Year 12 Retreat was held on first Thursday of term, focus was 'beyond Mazenod – looking at values and being part of the wider community'. Feedback from the boys was theme was relevant and boys gained information from the retreat.
- Open Day was about Stewardship, Great community occasion, thanks to P&F and Mazza Mums. Good response to online registration and also at the actual Open Day. There were still current parents who attended to have a look around, especially at new D&T building. Once again boys help during afternoon as guides, performers etc. was a great showcase for the school.
- We received the Water Authority Waterwise award in the Gold Category, thanks to Eric and all the grounds-men.
- Staff: as you would be aware from the newsletter, we have welcomed some new staff members this term: Rachel Mitchell (ex-Trinity) who is new Year 7 form and HASS teacher, Yvonne Wilding (Math's) and Eloise Scott (Teacher Assistant).
- Masses: great attendance at Wednesday morning masses. We have had the prefects and Mother's Day Mass. Tomorrow we have Cebula House Mass (boarding house) – boys will be having a pizza lunch and dodge ball. Tempier House held their mass on the last week of Term 1, celebrating with a BBQ and slip n slide. The Student Leaders for each house Mass organise their Masses and lunch time activities.
- Compassion and Charity: there will be no Immersion to Sri Lanka this year due to the recent incident. The December immersion to India will still occur and during September/October holidays the Immersion will go to China.
- We are starting to look at Student Code of Conduct – during this week we will have the first group of Yr. 12 students and prefects helping with ideas for the code. Other year groups will be given an opportunity to have input into the code during coming months.

President's report: (Tony Checker, Vice President)-report read by Ann for Tony

Thanks to Ann for facilitating last meeting.

Final draft for Terms of Reference completed and will be discussed in General Business.

Need for focus on 'how we build the community, what can P&F contribute' – need to identify journey of student and family from Year 7 through to Year 12. How does the P&F contribute to building the community?

The Welcome BBQ flows into the Parent Sundowner. Need to work with Chris to see what the best medium is, so we can use to reach all families. One focus could be the milestones of the Mazenod Journey.

Treasurer's report:

Bank Balance brought forward as at 12 March 2019 **\$ 82,452.87**

Plus

Deposits \$71,900 (P&F Subs), \$30 donation to Mazza Mum's for Open Day from boarding family **\$ 71,930.00**

Less

Expenses \$18,298.90
(Completion cricket nets \$15,000, PFFWA Affiliation Fees \$3230.90, Etched Glass \$68.00) **\$ 18,298.90**
Cheques not yet presented (2018 Raffle Prize \$300) **\$ 300.00**
Provisions for Budgeted Items **\$ 60,100.00**
\$ 78,698.90

Cash Book Balance as at 14 May 2019 **\$ 75,683.97**

Bank account balance as at 14 May 2019 **\$136,083.97**

Cheques to be written as this meeting for:

Nil **\$ 0.00**

NOTES:

General P&F ledger balance (Ent Book) **\$ 140.00**

Provision for budgeted items:

Provision for budgeted items 2017

Items listed below:

\$ 3,000.00

\$ 3,000 - boarding house gardens assist with purchasing raised garden beds, etc

Provision for budgeted items 2018

Items listed below:

\$50,300.00

\$1,000 Digital Technology – Lego Robotics purchase & registration fee

\$1,000 Education support – purchase 3 x C Pens

\$1,300 Library – Maker/Craft Supplies for Friday workshops

\$4,000 PE/Outdoor Ed – assist with trailer purchase to transport bicycles (quotes still being obtained)

\$8,000 Barrier netting behind soccer goals on lower oval

\$35,000 Towards bus (\$25,000 carried over 2017 + \$10,000 from 2018)

\$15,000 *Completion of cricket nets-completed*

Provision for budgeted items 2019 **\$ 6,800.00**

\$6,800 Water Cooler

Account balance less Budgeted Items less not yet presented cheques

\$136,083.97 less \$60,100.00 less \$300.00 TOTAL: \$75,683.97

Water Cooler – Ralph advised he has attended Midvale factory; cooler has been ordered and should arrive early next week. School has selected cooler with 2 bubblers and 2 drinking sprouts to fill water bottles. Company being used has been used by other schools and is considered to have a good solid product.

Mazza Mums – Kelli & Ann

- Open Day afternoon tea – lots of helpers and lots of food. Thanks to everyone who help on the day with set-up, serving, clean-up and providing food.
- We will be providing morning tea following St Eugene de Mazenod Feast day mass. Request for helpers and food has been placed in the school newsletter.

Correspondence in:

- Certificate of Affiliation from Catholic School Parents WA Inc (previously known as PFFWA)

Correspondence out:

- Nil

General business

- **Terms of Reference**

Tony presented draft proposal for Terms of Reference. General discussion with a couple of minor changes to spelling and proposal specifically for Parts 3 and 4.

Following discussion, there was unanimous support for Tony to present Terms of Reference to Andrew for presenting to School Board for their approval.

- **Funding requests**

Tony presented the following information for members present:

The P&F has funded the Mazenod community clubs in the past. The clubs support Mazenod, providing opportunities and challenges for the boys, showcasing the Mazenod values in the public space, and build the parent community through volunteer positions and engagement.

The clubs are high cost operations, reliant on parent contributions, low level fund raising and sponsorship. The hockey, cricket, and basketball clubs have also highlighted their expenses in the past. Friends of the Performing Arts also incur costs staging their performance and competing, promoting Mazenod to different audiences. Most families will have one to two boys in at least one club. Through participation, the families incur additional costs to enable their sons to participate.

Therefore, I propose providing a \$4,000 grant to the Cricket, Basketball, Hockey, AFL, and FOPA clubs, totalling \$20,000. The proposed grant:

- reduces the costs to parents
- reduces the burden on the club volunteers to fund raise or seek sponsorships.
- provides a lump sum to address immediate issues early in the season.

In acknowledgement, we request the Clubs acknowledge our contribution in their newsletters, websites or social media sites.

I have received a quote from the AFL club who require iPads to participate in the competition. It is rough on the iPads, and they need covers to reduce the risk of breaking them and incurring additional costs. The total cost for 10 iPad Wi-Fi 32GB pads and Griffin Survivor All Terrain covers is \$4675.00

A detailed discussion then took place among members regarding this proposal. During this discussion it was identified one of the area's the P&F have not supported previously is the Teachers,

however Ralph and Andrew advised the members the Teachers are very well supported by the College.

Proposal: To provide \$20,000 (\$4,000 to the FOPA, Cricket, Hockey and Football Clubs for use by the clubs as they deem necessary with the acknowledgment to the P&F for this monetary contribution. Proposal was unanimously agreed to.

Further discussion took place regarding the College funding requests as per minutes at the March meeting:

- High Priority: Water fountain near Gym is in urgent need of replacing. Cost \$6,800: **Funding granted at March meeting**
- Bike Racks: Currently between 17-25 students riding to school each day. Have sourced cost for new racks to be purchased and fitted, cost \$9,000: *Andrew advised further quotes are being obtained for this request as to whether school purchases fixed or portal bike racks. Andrew will provide further information about this request at next meeting.*
- Farmyard Project – a further \$1,000 to assist with this endeavour: **Funding unanimously agreed to.**
- Beau Hemley – court table tennis for senior block (ensure boys are moving during recess and lunchtime, provide opportunity for boys to engage in talking about various topics in a relaxing atmosphere, cost \$5,000: **Funding unanimously agreed to.**
- Student Leadership Portfolio: \$1,000 to continue planting native plants for sustainable garden beds. Year 11 and 12 leaders and boys in other years who wish to be involved: **Funding unanimously agreed to.**
- Ralph – Aquaponics (to be discussed further by College Leadership Team and Ralph). *Ralph advised this request can be removed from the funding request as school has provided necessary funding.*
- Boarding House – revisit assisting with replacing carpet in the entry ramps to the Boarding House, costing to be confirmed. *Andrew advised more costing/quotes need to be obtained before request can be discussed and proposed.*
- Combining with St Brigid's to provide funding for guest speakers for both families of Mazenod boys and St Brigid's girls to attend, e.g. Maggie Dent, costing to be confirmed
- Pool Cleaner Upgrade – the volume of people utilising the pool (swimming squad, swimming training, PE, Outdoor Ed, other schools i.e. Mary's Mount), cost \$6,500: **Funding unanimously agreed to.**

- **Vacant President position**

President's position remains vacant. Tony offered to take on President position for remainder of 2019 and will actively seek a parent to take on the role of Vice President for 2019. With a view for this parent to take on President role for 2020.

Tony will communicate with Editorial Team for ways to attract more families to the P&F

- **Other general business**

Sue inquired about the SunSmart issue regarding bucket hats being adopted by senior schools. Ralph advised he is taking this matter to the next OSH meeting which is being held in the coming weeks and will advise P&F of discussion after the meeting.

Upcoming events:

- St Eugene de Mazenod Feast Day Mass –
 - Mazza Mum morning tea, Wednesday 15 May 2019
- Mazenod P&F Meeting - Tuesday 11 June 2019 at 7pm

Meeting closed: 8.02 pm