



MAZENOD COLLEGE

Parents & Friends - Minutes 11 June 2019

Meeting Opened: 07:03 pm

Present: Andrew Watson, Tony Checker, Fiona Walker, Susi Purcell, Shayla Strapps, Steph Bewick, Christie Van der Beeke, Rob Pugh, Mikala Atkinson, Ralph Bradstreet and Ann Bond

Apologies: Jeff Ronan, Sue DuPont and Kelli Peters

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

Minutes of previous meeting

- Minutes of Tuesday 14 May 2019:
 - Moved: Susi Purcell
 - Seconded: Fiona Walker

Business arising from previous minutes:

- Email forwarded to all clubs-hockey, cricket, basketball, football and FOPA regarding funding approved from May meeting. Bank details have been supplied by all clubs except football club. More details in Presidents report about this funding.
- New water cooler/fountain has been installed outside gym. Photo's of fountain shown to members present

Principal's report:

- We had representatives from Year 7 to 12 attend the Archbishop's LifeLink Appeal launch. Boys had opportunity to speak with Archbishop Costello, Bishop Sproxtton and Debra Sayce Executive Director Catholic Education of WA. Boys will continue to support the LifeLink Appeal through the Young Vinnes.
- Year 7's recently held 'Wooly Warmers' collection – seeking donations of unwanted warm apparel for donation.
- As mentioned at the last meeting the Student Code of Conduct is being discussed. Currently the Year 12 Prefects have been discussing code and in coming weeks we will seek input from student leaderships in all other year groups. At this stage these boys will be selected from each year's leadership group, but other students will have an opportunity to be involved. The boys are looking at three key questions: i) how do we want to feel at school, ii) what sort of behaviour do the boys need to be showing/displaying/implementing at school and iii) what behaviour and strategies do you need if acceptable behaviour is being broken/not being displayed. Our aim is to have Prefects present the Code of Conduct midway through Term 3 for adoption by all boys, ensuring child protection guidelines are adhered to.
- Once the Students Code of Conduct is adopted, we will then look at developing scenarios for the boys to work through using the Code of Conduct rules when problems are identified. The Code of Conduct is a requirement from the Ministry of Education.
- Along with Tom Floyd we recently attended Ronald McDonald House with some of the Year 11 and 12 boarders to assist for the afternoon in the kitchen preparing the evening meal for families currently at the home. In total six students and five staff volunteered, and all boys stated they gained so much from the afternoon which gave them a greater appreciation for the families and their children who are currently patients at the Children's hospital.
- Year 7's are currently participating in the Elevated Workshops. Every second year a new set of skills are developed. The boys should be bringing home their Lifetime tables in the next week or so, if they haven't already done so.

- ACC Cross Country Champions – we are still celebrating winning the cross-country event especially as we last won this event in 1987. 87 schools were involved in this championship.
- Last Tuesday we held the Arts Edistford with students showcasing both performing and visual arts. Drama, music, visual arts and a 15-minute impromptu charcoal drawing during intermission was presented by the students. It was a wonderful night for all those involved.
- Year 7 and 9 NAPLAN-most would be aware of the reported problems encountered this year with the on-line assessment. Mazenod had little interruption with the on-line examination but an option was provided to those students to re-sit the exam if they felt the interruptions had affected them. Only a small group opted to re-sit the exams.
- I am pleased to announce we have made a bus commitment. The school is purchasing a 39-seater bus (40 in total with driver). We have entered into this agreement as the bus is currently in-stock and brand new. If we had waited, we would be looking at least five months before taking delivery of a bus. So, thank you in advance to the P&F for the funding contributions as per the Treasurers report.

President's report:

Wonderful to see everyone here tonight.

I have made the small changes to the Terms of Reference and have forwarded these to Andrew for presenting to the Board.

As you aware, we have provided funding to all the sporting clubs and FOPA. We have received banking details from all the clubs except the footy club, though the footy club has already thanked us and advised us they have used the money to pay for the iPads required by all teams at match games.

The Basketball Club has advised they are now able to bring forward several items they were waiting till next year to fund, like more training skill sessions and extra equipment.

The Hockey Club has advised they will be utilising some of the funding for purchasing new goalie equipment and face masks, as well as retaining some of the funding for hiring of turf ovals for training next year.

The Cricket Club has advised they will be purchasing a Flicx Pitch, which is a portable pitch they can take anywhere and use, especially if both junior and senior teams are playing and/or training.

Treasurer's report:

<i>Bank Balance brought forward as at 12 May 2019</i>	<i>\$ 136,083.97</i>
<u>Plus</u>	
Deposits \$10,000 (fees)	<u>\$ 10,00.00</u>
<u>Less Expenses</u>	
Ed Support-C Pens \$1,000, \$4,000 Mazenod Hockey Club	
\$4,000 Basketball Club, \$4,000 Mazenod-Lesmurdie Cricket Club	
\$4,000 Friends of Performing Arts, \$10,000~transfer: incorrect account	\$ 27,000.00
Cheques not yet presented (2018 Raffle Prize \$300)	\$ 300.00
Provisions for Budgeted Items (2017, 2018, 2019)	<u>\$ 76,600.00</u>
	<i>\$ 103,900.00</i>
<i>Cash Book Balance as at 11 June 2019</i>	<i>\$ 42,183.97</i>
<i>Bank account balance as at 11 June 2019</i>	<i>\$ 119,083.97</i>

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:

\$49,300.00

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

\$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)

*****\$1,000 Education Support-purchased of 3 C Pens-Pd 17/05/2019*****

*****\$15,000 Completion of cricket nets-purchased-Pd 22/03/2019*****

Provision for budgeted items 2019

\$ 24,300.00

\$6,800 Water Cooler

\$4,000 Mazenod Football Club

\$1,000 Farmyard Project – further assistance

\$6,500 Pool Cleaner Upgrade

\$5,000 Court Table Tennis – Senior block

\$1,000 Student Leadership Portfolio – continue to plant native plants for sustainable garden (Yr. 11 and 12 leaders)

\$4,000 Mazenod Hockey Club – paid 06/06/2019

\$4,000 Mazenod Basketball Club – paid 06/06/2019

\$4,000 Mazenod-Lesmurdie Cricket Club – paid 06/06/2019

\$4,000 Mazenod Friends of Performing Arts – paid 06/06/2019

Account balance less Budgeted Items less not yet presented cheques

\$119,083.97 less \$76,600.00 less \$300.00 TOTAL: \$42,183.97

Tony mentioned from total remaining we will need to carry over approximately \$10,000 into 2020 for Term 1 events, but still leaves just over \$30,000 to be granted for funding requests.

Mazza Mums – Kelli & Ann

- Thank you to all families who assisted or provided food towards the morning tea following St Eugene de Mazenod Feast day mass. Special thanks to the boarding families who support these events by donating money for us to purchase food for the morning tea.
- We now have a break until Term 4 when we provide morning tea at the Year 12 Final Assembly and afternoon tea at the Year 7 Orientation day.

Correspondence in:

- Thank you from the staff at Performing Arts for a funding donation. Staff are still discussing how they will use the money and will advise the P&F and place a thank you in the newsletter once a decision has taken place.
- APC Review (The national publication of Australian Parents Council Inc) Vol XLVIB No 2 May 2019, Second School Term

Correspondence out:

- Nil

General business

• Terms of Reference

Andrew advised the Terms of Reference is currently with the School Board Chair who will review the document and then either present to the Board for their information and adoption or bring it back to the P&F Meeting.

Andrew advised Board Chair had inquired if someone from the Board could attend the P&F Meeting. Tony advised they were most welcome, and it would be good to discuss ways which both the School Board and P&F can work together to further engage with all the School Community.

▪ Funding requests

Update on previous funding items still under consideration:

- 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. *Andrew advised quotes still being obtained.*
- 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. *Andrew advised measurements and quotes still being obtained.*
- 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. *Andrew advised further investigation into this idea being carried out.*

Andrew advised request for funding will again be offered to teaching staff in coming months.

• Other general business

Tony advised P&F at this time of the year are normally busy coordinating the raffle. Now the raffle is no longer being held due to the increase in P&F Levies, committee needs to change the emphasis from fundraising to how the P&F can engage and build/improve the Mazenod Community. How do we as a group lessen the gap between parents, teachers and students?

Ralph mentioned the Sundowner at the beginning of the year and Thank-you evening for all volunteers at end of the year are a great opportunity for parents and teachers to come together in a relaxed atmosphere. Would it be something the P&F could look at hosting more of these events throughout the year?

Mikala mentioned as a new Year 7 parent she had not attended the Sundowner as it was her families first year for a child being in high school (February was just a crazy month) and also at the time she didn't know many parents. However, in Term 2 she felt she would enjoy something like this more as she knew more parents and staff.

A general discussion took place with some ideas for engagement being:

- Sunday afternoon session in D&T building for father (significant other)/son event
- Looking at Sundowner or similar event during other terms to further engage with all Mazenod Community.

Andrew spoke about the Mazenod Journey: boys have a start and finally an exit, but still an Old Boy, so connection still present. Could look at father/son, mother/son events.

Andrew also mentioned School Leadership Team is looking at waiting for the beginning of the school year to acknowledge the Year 12 Leaders at the Opening School Mass. This way parents/grandparents and families of the boys can attend the Mass and not only see their child being commissioned but interact with the staff at the morning tea following Mass.

Andrew further mentioned SLT is also looking at changing the start time for school Masses to the beginning of the school day, not in Period 2. This will allow family to drop off their son/s and then stay for Mass.

Tony spoke about how do we let our boys know we are still part of the school community but not causing the boys embarrassment at the same time (for those boys who might be feeling this way). How do we appeal for parents to attend and engage more with the wider Mazenod Community?

This information will be published in the school newsletter in the week's leading up to the August meeting and all P&F minutes can be viewed at the College website.

Upcoming events:

- [Mazenod P&F Meeting - Tuesday 13 August 2019 at 7pm](#)

Meeting closed: 7.46 pm