

# Parents Association Annual General Meeting - Minutes



<b>Meeting Date</b>	12 September 2023	<b>Meeting Location</b>	Mazenod College Board Room
<b>Meeting Opened</b>	6:40pm	<b>Opening Prayer</b>	Sue D
<b>Attendees</b>			
<b>College Representatives</b>	Simon Harvey (Principal), Jeff Ronan (Deputy Principal – Administration), Brett Scarey (Community Relations and Marketing Manager)		
<b>Parents Association Executive</b>	Rachel G (President), Daniel W (Treasurer), Belinda V (Mazza Mums Coordinator)		
<b>Parent Representatives</b>	Sue D, Sarah A, Daniela T, Daniel T, Larisa T, Christie vdB, Larisa T, Tafirenyika R		
<b>Apologies:</b>	Tony P (Vice President)		
<i>A quorum consists of a minimum of five members of the Mazenod College Parents Association, including at least two Office Bearers, and an ex-officio member.</i>			
<b>The requirement for Quorum is met.</b>			
<b>Minutes of previous AGM</b>	Moved:	Daniela T	
<b>Date: 9 August 2022</b>	Seconded	Brett Scarey	

## Principal's Report

Mr Harvey welcomed all, thanked for attendance.

Mr Harvey's Principal Report was structured in line with the 5 pillars set out in the College Strategic Plan: Faith & Identity, Learning, Wellbeing, Community and Stewardship.

### Faith & Identity

- The Mazenod Mission Day (MMD) Feast of the Assumption mass and the recent Father's Day Mass & Morning Tea celebrations were an example of how the College acknowledges the roles of parents/caregivers in the lives of the student.

### Learning

- It has been a busy time with Year 9 exams, OLNA, ATAR school exams, and Year 12 valedictory and graduation upcoming.
- The College celebrated Languages Week promoting an awareness of languages throughout the College. There has been a notable growth of interest in learning languages observed.
- During Science Week Year 7s were invited to attend the Astronomy Night. This was a collaboration with the Bickley Observatory. Mr Harvey reflected on it being a great opportunity for students to consolidate their learning.

### Wellbeing

- RU OK Day was held this week and a coffee cart and biscuits were available for students.
- There was also a Year 9 social activity (picnic) held in collaboration with St Brigid's College.
- Other activities around the College included zero2hero, Respectful Relationships, and Wellbeing programs. These have been streamlined for students under the banner of the Mazenod Journey – a vision for student mental health and wellbeing.
- On Wed 6<sup>th</sup> September, In Your Head was held. This is the only student forum for mental health and wellbeing available in Perth and was attended by group of Mazenod students, together with Mr Sam Dawson and the College psychologist. Mr Dawson fed back that it had proven to be a wonderful opportunity for student agency development.
- Students from Mazenod also participated in the 2023 Catholic Performing Arts Festival which has now concluded. 103 students were involved in 54 differed performances. This was followed by Best of the Fest on Fri 1st September.

- In addition, in the Angelico Art Exhibition featured 25 student exhibitors across 8 installations.

### **Community/Stewardship**

- The Kalamunda Garden Festival was recently held and Mazenod hosted a stall (with help from Mr Brett Scarey and the Sustainability Team). Students handed out seedlings in used coffee cups for a gold coin donation, sold worm wee and promoted the great focus on sustainability at the College providing exposure within the local community.
- The College has also celebrated NAIDOC Week this term.
- The annual Vinnies Sleepout saw over 100 students sleepout during the coldest night in winter.
- Year 10 dancing lessons concluded with the Dinner Dance – another example of partnership with St Brigid’s College.
- Finally, the Year 11 Leadership camp was held at Dwellingup (attended by ~40 boys) as part of the broader Leadership Program.
- There are many more events coming up including the Sportsman Dinner and Art Exhibition.

### **President’s Annual Report**

A special welcome to those who are new today.

Thank you for everyone’s wonderful support this year.

We thank Mazenod College for the superb support that has been given us this year.

Much progress has been made across the school, with very positive outcomes for our sons and staff (see Daniel W’s Treasurer’s Report for details.)

We will soon vote in the new committee and have a short first meeting of the year.

Everyone is invited to stay for drinks and nibbles at the end.

We are at a time when the present constitution will soon be reviewed by the incoming committee.

Please do not hesitate to speak out at meetings in person or via Zoom or drop an email to the college. Your opinion is valuable.

The new application form for funds has proved successful providing teachers and students with further enrichment and connection with St. Brigids College, our sister school.

Thank you especially to Mazenod for the seamless handover from Mr Watson to Mr Harvey. Well done for the excellent transition 😊

Best wishes for the coming year. I have thoroughly enjoyed my time as a Parents Association member. My intention is to focus on my family and work next year, and support the association in prayer.

### **Treasurer’s Report (Dan W)**

- Outgoing – \$10,523.83
- Received – \$73,900.73 + \$70,900 parent contributions
- Available - \$226,436.80
- Committed – approx. \$50k. to various grant requests yet to be finalised.

Shade sail project to be revisited early next year – funding to be held over.

Christie requested a summary of grants requests/costs to be made available.

Discussion of 2020-2022 accounting process for funds acquittal.

### **Election of the 2023 Office Bearers**

- President – Daniela T
  - Proposed:- Christie vdB      Seconded:- Tafirenyika R
- Vice President – Christie vdB

- Proposed:- Daniela T                      Seconded:- Daniel W
- Treasurer – Daniel Watson
  - Proposed:- Brett Scarey                      Seconded:- Sarah Adams
- Secretary – Sarah A (proxy: Rohen A)
  - Proposed:- Daniela T                      Seconded:- Brett Scarey

Attendees thanked Rachel G and the outgoing Executive Committee for their valuable contribution to the Parents Association. Rachel G was presented with a small gift as a token of the Parents Association's thanks.

### **General Business**

- Renewal of Catholic School Parents WA (**CSPWA**) affiliation  
Renewal of membership discussed. Referred to minutes from June 2023, which included an action to invite Siobhan Allen (Executive Director, CSPWA and Mazenod College Advisory Board Member) to attend a Parents Association meeting to discuss adopting the CSPWA's Terms of Reference.
- Support for inviting Siobhan to attend the next Parents Association meeting. Executive Committee to provide further information/clarity. Discussion of annual fee and calculation thereof. Defer for discussion as to value of membership when fee is due. Suggestion to schedule Siobhan to present at next possible PA Meeting Oct 10<sup>th</sup>.  
**ACTION:** Mr Harvey to invite Siobhan.

AGM closed 7:08pm