

St Vincent's Primary School P&F Association General Meeting Minutes

5th August 2014. Chairperson – J Benton, P&F President

Meeting opened at 7:30pm.

Welcome – J Benton

Attendance - as per attendance register. Apologies – C. Tootell

Acceptance May 2014 Minutes – J. Benton, 2nd A. Bleakley

1. **Principal's Report and Information Session.**

- K. Rowlands presented a power point presentation reviewing the goals that were first set at the beginning of the year. These goals were grouped under sections such as Our Mission and Religious Education; Learning and Teaching; Stewardship of Resources. Please see attached.
- **Redevelopment of area behind OSHC.** Proposed cost \$350,000 - \$450,000. Plans utilise the area behind the courts where the current sandpit is located and include new access ramp, walkways and shed, also incorporating new vegetable gardens. Mrs. Rowlands agreed to request architect make provision in the plans for possible play structure for older students in the future.
- **Refurbishment of Year 6/7 Block.** This is now proving very difficult due to presence of concrete cancer and current requirements for the building, such as disability/lift access etc. Rather than a refurbishment, there is the possibility of a new build, dependent on Catholic Education approval.
- **Band Program.** We welcome Mr. Matt Pearson. Proposal from 2015 all students to learn an instrument from Year 4 for a 6 month period, after which the option to continue band tuition at own expense.
- **1:1 Laptop Program.** In previous years laptops have been leased then returned (total cost of \$1200). New arrangement school to purchase and families responsible for 10x equal payments – at end of program families will then own laptop with 6 months remaining warranty and programs. From second half of Year 4 onwards.

- **Musical 2015.** With Year 7 students leaving the school changes are necessary. In 2015 all students in Years 5/6 will be involved in the musical, which also completes part of the curriculum. The Gold Coast Arts Centre is already booked for the production 24th and 25th July 2015.
 - **Staffing Processes 2015.** Very challenging situation with Year 7 moving to secondary in 2015. Catholic Education system wide response – Principals are consulted by system needs are important and may override in some instances. More details to be confirmed in Term 4 re supernumerary and/or graduate teacher allocations. Staffing will not be finalised until late November, depending on any resignations received.
2. **Treasurer's Report** – R. Perry.
Please see attached.
 3. **New Business** – J. Benton
 - **Pacific Fair Shop to Win Competition.** St Vincent's won 3rd prize \$10,000 in the recent competition. Discussion re how to spend this windfall. Open to all suggestions from the school community. In the interim this amount to be placed in term deposit.

Meeting closed at 8:30pm.

Next General Meeting will be held Tuesday 14th October 2014 at 7pm

Meetings are held in St Vincent's staff room – everyone is most welcome.