



MINUTES PARENTS AND FRIENDS ASSOCIATION GENERAL MEETING Tuesday 21 February 2023

1. Opening Prayer and Welcome

Sandra welcomed p&f members with a prayer. Olimpia welcomed everyone to the first committee. Welcome to Fr Christian for joining our community. Olimpia thanked the p&f committee for the welcome back bbq and second hand uniform sale and to the priests for support in the community.

2. Attendance and Apologies

Attendance: Jocelyne Khouri, Danielle El Helou, Aye M Mu, Herald Mateo, Christian Marvae, Luke Nikcevic, Ram Deepika, Fr Janu, Stacey Areda, Simone Alexoulis, Karly Jouni, Abby Diaz, Olimpa Pirovic, Sandra Khouri, Marroun Obeid, Lauren Andreiez, Annette Hayek

Apologies: Sukanya

3. Minutes from the previous General Meeting

- a. Karly Jouni accepted
- b. Sandra Khouri seconded

4. Business arising from previous General Meeting

Nil Business arising



5. Ex-Officio Reports

a. School Principal and Assistant Principal Report

Abby is Acting Religious Coordinator. School is going back to precovid way of living. Making a conscious effort in three areas: Community, Connect and Challenge. A renewed focus on connecting with each to build our community. A number of school events are occurring in term 1 including meet the teacher; it is encouraged to meet your child's teacher to discuss the needs for your child.

Encourage parents to be honest and open in responses to the ECSI. School want to know what they are doing well in the area of Catholic Education and what is needed to grow. Opportunity to gauge where OLMC is in providing catholic education and how to make it more central to our identity. Invitations will be sent out, only one parent per family. Abby will host some times at the school. Parent Introduction session is 23/03. Survey closes 4th April 2023.

Term 1 events: Ash Wednesday Mass 11:40 am.

Catholic schools week parents are encouraged to attend. Holy week celebration at school. God Day is an opportunity for the children to take a deep dive into the Easter story. Holy Thursday is a day for parents to come in and see their work. Parents will be invited and encouraged to attend various sessions leading up to God Day. Information will be in the newsletter.

Naplan preparation is starting in 4 weeks. 4 practice tests for year 3 and 6 practice tests for year 5 students in Naplan conditions. Allows the students to be familiar with the interface.

2023 priority areas were discussed. Religious Education, K-6 Mathematics and English Syllabus, Diversity (considers students who need support as well as high achievers) and wellbeing.

2023 future works. Upgrading the school PA system, upgrading the library technology system, updating devices in classrooms (ipads and chromebooks), entire roof replacement, smith st gate

b. Parish Priest's Report

Looking forward to providing Pastoral Care to the community. Fr Christian arrived from the Philippines 3 months ago and is getting used to the new Parish. Fr Janu offered services at any time to the school. Working bee is a great event to bring people together at the school.

6. Executive Committee Reports

a. President's Report

Tea and Tissues and welcome back dinner completed. Both successful

Mothers Day Breakfast will be on Friday before mothers day. Dads will be required to help on that morning. There is a mothers day stall. It will be completed on the QKR! App. They will get a voucher which will be hole-punched as the child spends money. It will be cashless. Parents will need to be organised as the QKR! App will be closed a week beforehand. There will be no change given. A set of guidelines will be given on how this will work.

Everyone is a p&f member. Please join in on events. There is a support crew group where they can be involved in events that arise.

Fete: First fete in 3 years. A big success. It was our first big event post covid. Target of profit was between \$10k and \$20K. Raised \$39861.70 in profit. Profits are shared between school and parish 70 / 30 split. Most of the expenses were in the rides and inflation for food and items. A huge work on Karly's behalf with many hours spent pulling this fete together. Thank you to the sponsors and parish for the extension support and donations for the fete. In particular Jovan, Omperia (Carmel's Kitchen), Lauren's husband Ash on BBQ and Richard on MC and the many many volunteers who made items, donated items, time and everyone working together to make it a success.

b. Treasurer's Report

Bank Balance \$4111.79.

7. Correspondence

NIL correspondence

8. Upcoming Events

Ash Wednesday Mass, Holy week God Day, Mother's Day breakfast, Mass and Stall, NAPLAN

9. Next Meeting Dates

Tuesday 16th May at 7pm