

**Saint Mary's Catholic College, South Burnett**  
**Parents and Friends Association**  
**AGM Meeting Minutes**  
**19 March 2019**

**Attendees:** Damien Martoo, Angela Myles, Ben Jeffs, Kym Schultz, Jill Wheeler, Neil Mungall, Sarah Harvey, Kimberley Kunde, Kylie Ward, Gayle Lamping, Danielle Armstrong, Naughton Stott, Michelle Rees, Alice Hauritz

**Apologies:** Karen Garner

**Meeting Opened by President/Chairperson** – Damien at 5.35m

**Prayer:** Angela Myles

**Previous AGM Minutes**

It was moved that the minutes of the previous meeting be accepted without amendment.

Accepted by consensus OR

Moved: Damion Martoo

Seconded: Ben Jeffs

**Presidents Report**

For decades Saint Mary's Catholic College has been privileged to have an extremely hard-working team of parents that makes up our Parents and Friends Association and this year is no exception. The planning of events never ends, and we started the year ready to throw our annual family fun day until Mother-Nature threw a spanner in the works and rained us out.

This year saw the return of the Cow Horse Competition in Nanango and South Burnett Equestrian Competition in Kingaroy. It is so heartwarming to see our students being their best, interacting and competing against other schools in the region whilst showing the skills in the saddle to spectators young and old. A wonderful band of helpers jumped in the saddle again this year to help cater for all the hungry parents, teachers, judges and students. Whilst we don't really make much money for the coffers, it is so important for the wider community to see that Saint Mary's Catholic College and its parents are out there in the community providing service to all.

Mother Day and Father's Day was a chance for our kids to purchase a gift that we will probably never use but will no doubt hold onto, just in case, for a lifetime because our beautiful children took the time to choose it for us.

The Rock on Stage judges were obviously bribed with chocolate or wine this year with parents going down to those pesky and apparently "talented" teachers. We did however make up for this by donating around \$1800 this year to Bacalod Kindy.

One of the most important jobs for P&F this year was again our home bake and frozen meals roster. This really does embrace our Benedictine values by supporting our families who sadly lost members of their family throughout the year. We hope that this provides some comfort during these stressful times and allows these families time to work through the grieving process.

Your P&F continues to, in conjunction with Mrs Myles, to fight to get key areas of the school air-conditioned. One of the Prep rooms was done earlier in the year and we are well under way to getting the rest of the school done as well. Over the past 3 months it has been wonderful to see this process moving another step forward with engineers onsite and further plans in place to get the systems designed.

In the past 12 months you P&F have funded a variety of projects again from science equipment, helping sporting team travel all over the state, helping students to take part of holiday music programs and sending students to ignite youth conference. One of the biggest joys in the past 12 months was seeing "Breakfast Club" take off on a Friday Morning. This program has been organized by my Miss Schick and Mrs Martoo and the benefits far outweigh the effort that is put into it. Teachers have indicated noticeable improvements on Fridays of student interaction, behavior and engagement. That is what sets our children up for best learning outcomes,

To finish off this year I would sincerely like to thank every parent that has contributed to the P&F in any way. I understand how busy our lives are, so to have you put your hand up to bake, cook, help in the classroom, dance, organise, serve, comfort, garden, time keep or run, swim and come up with devious plans to improve your results outcome in the last 2 items (no one saw me cheat) shows our students and teachers how committed we are to our school.

Thank you to our College Board Des Crane, Kristy Frahm, Simon Neal and Jackie Howard who continue to work alongside leadership every year for the continued improvement of our school. It will be sad to see Des, Kristy and Simon leave the board this year, but this opens the door for more parents to engage with the school as some level.

Thanks, you to our hardworking and dedicated teachers and staff. I personally have the privilege to see just how much extra work is put in by our teachers and staff before the bell rings of a morning and well after it rings in the afternoon. Please continue to do what you do morning, noon and night, during holidays and weekends so our families know that our children can become their best with the skilled guidance of your best. You are truly heroes in the eyes of the P&F.

Finally, to the executive of the P&F Neil Mungall, Treasurer, Alice Hauritz, Secretary, Suzanne Mungall, Representative to the Board. Thank you never seems enough. Our association is only as strong as it is because of the long-term commitment of our executive. Thank you all from the bottom of my heart.

God Bless  
Damien Martoo  
P&F President 2019

Accepted by consensus OR  
Moved: Damien Martoo  
Seconded: Neil Mungall

### **Principal's Report**

- 2018 has been a challenging year by all accounts... on several occasions our community was touched deeply by loss and sadness – with the loss of a student Rohan Parker and a much-loved member of staff, Mr Mulcahy. We also had several families in our community suffer the loss of close family members. Through all of this, the care, love and compassion of this community was more evident than ever. I am extremely grateful for the support of BCE, the College Leadership team, staff and parents during what was a very challenging year.
- Amidst all of this, in 2018 as a College we placed a very explicit focus on our school motto... **Realise your dignity**... one of the cornerstones of Catholic Social Teaching.
- Work continued on our transition to the new Senior Schooling system which is now being implemented across Queensland for our current Year 11 students
- We welcomed a new Parish Priest, Fr Chukwudi Chinaka.
- We continued to explore avenues for the efficient and cost-effective installation of air-conditioning in the College
- We revitalised a number of classrooms with flexible furniture
- We re-structured the way we managed our grounds and maintenance
- We continued to focus in a strategic way in the improvement of student outcomes in writing and to grow engagement, progress and achievement for each student
- We commenced planning for our Accelerate project through a process called Change 2
- We commenced planning with MOQ Digital for a new strategic direction around the integration of ICT's in the College
- We farewelled our Senior Leader – Learning & Identity, Mr Peter Stower and welcomed a new Senior Leader at the commencement of 2019, Mrs Karen Harrison

Accepted by consensus OR  
Moved: Angela Myles  
Seconded: Ben Jeffs

### **Treasurers' Report**

1. Total income of \$41,747.54 last year

Accepted by consensus OR

Moved: Neil Mungall

Seconded: Angela Myles

### **Election of Members of the Executive**

Angela Myles took over as chair of AGM

1. Nominations for President – Damion Martoo  
Damien Martoo has accepted the role.  
Accepted by consensus OR  
Moved: Angelia Myles  
Seconded: Ben Jeffs
2. Nominations for Treasurer – Neil Mungall  
Neil Mungall has accepted the role.  
Accepted by consensus OR  
Moved: Damion Martoo  
Seconded: Sarah Harvey
3. Nominations for Secretary – Alice Hauritz, Sarah Harvey  
Alice Hauritz and Sarah Harvey have accepted the role.  
Accepted by consensus OR  
Moved: Angelia Myles  
Seconded: Neil Mungall
4. Nominations for Vice President – Ben Jeffs  
Ben Jeffs has accepted the role.  
Accepted by consensus OR  
Moved: Damion Martoo  
Seconded: Neil Mungall
5. Nominations for P&F Representative on the SMCC Board – Suzanne Mungall  
Suzanne Mungall has accepted the role.  
Accepted by consensus OR  
Moved: Damien Martoo  
Seconded: Sarah Harvey

### **Election of Delegates to the Diocesan P&F Council**

Shared responsibility, whoever can go.

### **Appointment of Sub-Committees**

We call for volunteers for each event throughout the year.

**Appointment of an Auditor**

Michael Carroll will continue in this role

Accepted by consensus OR

Moved: Neil Mungall

Seconded: Ben Jeffs

**Notification to the Diocesan Council**

Alice will complete this and send it to the Diocesan Council

**Meeting Closed:** 5.55pm **Next AGM Meeting:** Tuesday, 17 March 2020

**Signed by President:** \_\_\_\_\_