MARYMOUNT PRIMARY SCHOOL

P & F MEETING

MINUTES

4 June 2012

Open – 7:00pm

PRAYER:

Meeting opened with a prayer at 7:00pm

ATTENDENCE:

Greg Casey, Anthony Touzell, Kevin Larkin, Quentin McCarthy, Genevieve Sly, Kate Galvin, Jenny Mellifont, Patrick Crilly, Richard Tregidden.

APOLOGIES:

Shona Press, Annette O’Shea, Bernadette Christensen

PREVIOUS MINUTES

Minutes of previous meeting 14 May 2012 read and accepted

Tabled: Anthony Seconded: Quentin

BUSINESS ARISING:

Internal road access – Tabled for discussion at next parish meeting 19 June.

TREASURERS REPORT:

Bank statements – current balance at end of May is $61, 618.38

Payed statement for P & F levy - $6298.05

There is currently $17,000.00 in deposit account.

Frank Shine walk - only regular bill at the stage. Waiting for P & F levies to be paid from term 2.

Honour board has been paid - $610.00 was paid at the end of the month.

Art show is progressing well. Feature artist is Sarah Hickey. Advertising is being organised and sponsors are starting to come in.

CORRESPONDENCE:

- College newsletters from May and June.
- P & F statement for levy $6298.05. This was previously e-mailed to Genevieve Sly who forwarded the account on to Richard Treggiden. Account has been paid.
- A letter from Australian Fundraising Specialists – information on fundraising.

**PRINCIPAL’S REPORT:**

Tony Barron has been appointed as Acting Assistant Principal to replace Kevin Larkin start in term 3 till the end of the year. Catholic Education will go through new applications to see who has qualifications for permanent Assistant Principal to start next year. Trevor Doyle, Greg Casey and Fr Pat will be part of the interview process.

Athletics grades 4-7 - Change of date to Thursday 21 June.

End of winter sport this week. Season has been largely affected by rain.

Catholic Cross Country this Wednesday at St Brigid’s at Nerang. Approximately 70 children going.

This will be our last long weekend in June for the Queen’s Birthday.

Beachathon is on Friday 15 June at Miami Beach. Whitney Reid and Belinda Norton-Smith organising the event. See either of them with issues.

Report cards and portfolios out in the last week – completed using the new Student Reporting System (SRS). Kevin Larkin and Diane Anderson have been supporting staff with using the new SRS reporting system.

Annette O’Shea on Long Service Leave for first 5 weeks of Term 3 – replacement to be finalised shortly.

Combined schools advisory Council Meeting 19 June – Greg and Anthony will be attending

Construction of the new Church - meeting on 21st June in College Library. Fr. Pat will host the meeting. It will discuss not only the church but car parking and building set-up. Meeting is an information evening to provided ideas and gain input into the development of the church.

Congratulations to Megan Curry and her staff and children on ‘A Faerie Tale’ musical. Megan wrote, produced and directed it.

**GENERAL BUSINESS:**

Technology and resources – last meeting Greg Casey asked for funding for system upgrade from the P & F. Quotes were received in regards to the upgrade.

Kevin worked with Aaron Delaney from Brisbane Catholic Education in regards to ICT within the school. The Year 7 block and Admin block have sufficient wireless as that was included in the system 1 upgrade with CISCO. Proposal was given for stage 2 and 3. Kevin Larkin met with Network First and asked for them to take Kevin through what upgrades need to be done. Kevin’s recommendation is that the wireless is installed to the whole school at one time. Wireless coverage will be in all classrooms across the whole school. Datamax will do fibre optics and Technology Effect will supply
the equipment. Network First will do the installation. The $70,000 grant from Brisbane Catholic Education will pay the balance of the wireless installation after the P & F funding.

The school is looking at purchasing 16 notebooks per class for students to keep at school. The main expenditure is to ensure greater access to computers from prep through to 7. Money may also buy some digital cameras and video cameras.

Anthony Touzell has asked how long upgrade will last. Kevin believes it will be robust enough to last at least 4 – 5 years. Current download would allow for one to one usage of computers. It would require a simple upgrade.

The Brisbane Catholic Education grant will provide funding for net books. This is based on P & F funding the school’s system upgrade.

Anthony Touzell asked for further quotes for upgrade. Kevin has assured that they are all reputable companies who know the school and the system. Brisbane Catholic Education would rather have quotes from these companies.

P&F are financially able to fund it but they would like to have periodical payments rather than the straight up payment. The concern of spending the funds is that the Sunlight Drive pickup needs shelter and there is a concern that there may be other expenditures that may arise throughout the year. Greg Casey believes that current funds held in the account should be used for upgrading the system. Greg Casey has also added that there will be approximately $18,000 coming in soon from P & F levies from the school fees.

Anthony Touzell, on behalf of the P & F, has agreed to pay $30,000 deposit for upgrade of the system. The extra $28000 will be paid towards the end of August.

Greg has recommended that P & F (Anthony Touzell) put a letter in the newsletter regarding the system upgrade to inform parents as to what the money will be used for.

METETING CLOSED – 8: 40

NEXT MEETING 9th July 2012