MARYMOUNT PRIMARY SCHOOL

P & F Meeting

MINUTES

17 June 2013

Open – 7.16pm

Attendance
Jennifer Mellifont, Richard Treggiden, Anthony Touzell, Kate Galvin, Kevin Yates, Greg Casey.

Apologies
Gen Sly, Quentin McCarthy, Annette O’Shea, Tony Barron

Previous Minutes
Minutes of previous meeting 15 April 2013 read and accepted.
Moved: Anthony Touzell  Seconded: Kate Galvin

Business Arising
The electronic sign will be put in place during the school holidays.

Correspondence
Secretary absent. No correspondence presented.

Treasurer’s Report
- Financial Statement @ 27 May 2013 tabled. Balance of account $22535.35cr.
- We have paid $16445 for the new electronic sign. Invoice for electrical work still outstanding.
- $2291.44 for the Prep Play Equipment.
- Cheque for $983 to Vinnies Winter Appeal being proceeds from the Trivia night has not been sent.

ACTION:
- Richard to send off cheque to Vinnies.
- Greg to follow up with Accounts about outstanding invoice re electrical work by Prompt Electrical.
Principal’s Report

- Kevin Yates finishes up his relief of the APRE position at end of term 2. Bern Christensen returns term 3. Thanks to Kevin for a great job and with RE Implementation and class liturgies.

- Staff Leave – Term 3
  1. Mary Petersen (Long Service Leave) – replaced by Angela Lane
  2. Deb Keillah (Long Service Leave) – replaced by Lisa Armstrong
  3. Carol Hicks (extended Sick Leave until 26/7/13) – replaced by Melissa Redmond
  4. Annette O’Shea (12months Long Service Leave 2014) – job advertised and to be sorted in early term 3.

- Staffing projections for 2014 to go into office in late July – similar numbers as this year – 38 classes.
- Annual Catholic Appeal Campaign letters to come home to parents.
- Epilepsy Staff Training at end of May – we have a number of children at this school with this condition.
- Annette and Bern attending conference in Melbourne from Wed – Friday.
- Next year we will have two year levels visiting Canberra – Year 6 @ 1 June and Year 7 @ 14 Sept. This will also mean two sets of badges and jumpers etc.
- Fr Ken will hopefully be back on board next term as well as our Area Supervisor who has been off sick this term.
- Beachathon this week will be moved to North Kirra due to the beach erosion. Belinda Norton-Smith and Whitney Reid have done some great work in getting this up and running this year.
- 2 of our year 6 students have made the Qld side for Aussie Rules – playing in Darwin in August.

**Action:** Anthony requested Greg arrange for a letter from each child’s parents requesting assistance from the P&F to help with the cost of the trip. We can give $600 per student for this event.

General Business

a) Greg advised they have been looking into an on-line ordering system for the Tuckshop. He and the convenor, Vicki have visited some schools with the system in place and have chosen to go with the Munch Monitor Online Tuckshop Ordering system. This will be up and running in Term 3 – parents will be able to go online and place their order and pay by card.

b) A combined College and Primary P&F meeting was held in May where we heard from our Qld Fed of P&F and our State MP Michael Hart.

John Beaton and Carmel Nash detailed the role and work of the Qld Federation and what assistance they can give us and also some background to funding of the catholic schools and the possible implications of Gonski.
Michael Hart explained his involvement in assisting with liaising with the Main Roads in our campaign to get the speed limit outside the school reduced to 60kph so we can become a 40kph school zone. Main Roads have indicated that the only way this can occur is if they make the speed zone on Reedy Creek Road, 60kph from the Motorway to Burleigh. They are also looking at the problem of the "5 ways" traffic snarl at the lights outside the school and entry to Kortum Drive. One suggestion was to limit access/exit from Kortum Drive and have traffic diverted to the Sunlight Drive lights. (We can see potential for more problems for us with this scenario)

c) Greg Casey has put forward a proposal that the P&F provide funds for purchase in 2014 of 128 new netbooks for the students, cost $57600 and a further 48 (cost $21600) in 2015. Some discussion on the necessity for this type of resource and proper IT training of our students. All agreed it was something we would look at but we need to be better informed of our ability to service this proposed debt. Matter deferred to next meeting.
  
  **Action:** Richard to prepare figures of our estimated income/expenditure to verify our ability to support this proposed debt.

Meeting closed 8.55pm
Next Meeting 8 July 2013