MSCW Parents and Friends Association

Minutes of General Meeting
25th October 2011

Present: Rosalia Foley, Linda Der, Anne Evans, Kathleen Badolato, Christina Trimble, Ann Freeman, Daniela Sigglekow, Cathy Schiller, Anne Quill, Belinda Paslis, Mary-Lou Peachey.

Apologies: Sue Smith

Minutes of previous meeting
The amended minutes of the previous meeting, 10th May 2011, were moved and seconded.

Moved: Daniella Sigglekow Seconded: Anne Quill

Business arising from minutes
1. Trivia Night
   Daniela reported that 142 people attended the Trivia Night, including two tables of teachers and support staff. The teachers’ assistance with encouraging the girls to bring in donations for the Hampers and the Money Tree was greatly appreciated.

   $760 was raised by the Hampers and $250 was raised by the Money Tree, with a total amount of $5,800 being raised on the night. Perroton collected the largest number of donations.

   Kathleen was unable to find out where St Charles School got their safe. Rosalia said she had seen one with a slot in the top at Bunnings.

   Kathleen will look into it.

2. Building Update
   Heavy trucks using the driveway had caused it to become unstable, which has meant that the terraces next to the driveway will be returned to the original contours of the land. The work will be funded by the CEO.

   Christina reported that the builders had been considerate of the students as far as possible and she is happy with the progress they are making.

Business arising from minutes
None received.
**Principal’s Report**
Christina reported on the results of the Cyclic Review and thanked those parents who had participated in the review process. The results were summarised in the school newsletter (28.10.11).

The NAPLAN results for the school were above State average and also helped identify areas requiring some attention. Again, the full results were published in the school newsletter (28.10.11).

On behalf of the students and teachers, Christina thanked the P&F committee for their fundraising efforts throughout the year.

Christina proposed that, due to the current lack of space for the girls to change, they be allowed to wear their sports uniform to school the days they have sport. All those present agreed to this. A discussion followed regarding some girls wearing inappropriate footwear for sport and the potential risk of injury as a result of this. It was suggested that only girls wearing proper sports shoes be allowed to wear the sports uniform to school.

*Ann Freeman will follow up on the implementation of this.*

**Treasurer’s Report**
- Opening balance after last meeting
- Donation towards new lockers
- Closing balance as at

**President’s Report**
Cathy thanked everyone for their contribution to the Trivia Night, in particular, those who had generously donated prizes. Major local sponsors were:

- Mortgage Choice, Gladesville
- Better Books Textbooks, Gladesville
- Il Bolognese Restaurant, Boronia Park

**Agenda Items**

**School Bags**
The subject of the students being required to use MSCW approved school bags with the College crest was raised.

It was suggested that the large variety of school bags currently used by students, detracts from the overall appearance of the uniform, plus many of the bags are unsuitable for carrying laptops and are not big enough for holding all the books. This leads to the girls carrying ‘shopping’ bags to accommodate extra equipment, which not only looks untidy but is also not good for the girls’ backs. Laptops are often carried in bags that do not adequately protect them from damage if they are dropped or knocked.

Ann Freeman said she would look into implementing the use of a MSCW bag by all students, taking into account the fact that some people may have purchased new bags recently.

Meeting closed at 8:00 pm
AGM
As the current members of the P&F committee are retiring, the following positions are now vacant:

- President
- Vice President
- Treasurer
- Secretary
- Fundraiser

No written nominations for new members have been received. No nominations from the floor were received.

Requests for nominations will be advertised in forthcoming newsletters.

Annual Financial Report

AGM closed at 8:15 pm

Next P&F meeting to be held on Tuesday 14\textsuperscript{th} February 2012