



# ST. PETER'S COLLEGE

## Parents and Friends Association

### Meeting 16<sup>th</sup> March 2016

**Meeting Opened:** 7:30pm  
**Present** Tim Hogan, Chris Black, April Hampson, Karen Walker, Naomi Bartlett, Jodie Redman, Bec St Mart, Fay Davidson, Sharon Miller, Rebecca Johns, Nhial Leek.

**Apologies:** Mairi-anne Macartney, Ellinor Allen

**Correspondence in:** Bank Statement.

**Correspondence out:** Nil

**Minutes:** From last meeting, read by all and acknowledged by April.

#### **Guest Speaker:**

Mr Chris Black, Deputy Principal, Head of East Campus.

Phys Ed Degree, 30 years in Catholic Education. Grad Diploma in Religious Education, Masters in Leadership – Thesis on Supporting the Early Career Middle School Leader.

Chris has spent most of his teaching at girls only schools, and is really enjoying being at a co-education school and is particularly relishing his teaching of boys.

Chris is married to a teacher, who he claims is the brains of the family, with her focus as Head of Maths faculty. He also has 4 young adult girls, so feels he can relate to parents of Secondary school children, having been there himself very recently.

He has had various roles in Leadership. Senior Years Leader with the focus on Career Pathways. Pastoral Leadership, Year 7, 8 and 12 Leader. Community Development Leader and Promotion responsibilities also some of his various roles.

Educational philosophy: as a teacher his role is to impart knowledge and skills. Be a co-learner in development of knowledge and skills. Assist in the development of the whole person (spiritually, academically, and intellectually). "The role of the teacher is to be the facilitator of learning". As a Leader of a Catholic School his role is to impart the importance of a faith-led life, show faith can develop. Life-long learning focus. Achievement of excellence. Importance of developing right-relationships.

Chris also shared with us his focus on Family-School Partnerships. Key points to consider are his role as a Partnership program Leader. Establishment and development of a Family Learning Centre through Pastoral Programs, Parent Nights, and Adult Learning. Development of a Community Conversation Program.

#### **Opening Prayer:**

Tim Hogan, focus on Harmony Day message

#### **Principals' Report:**

We have had Year 12 Retreat for both West and East. East students went to the Palotti Retreat near Warburton. We have a real sense of our Year 12 students after this, and feel that they are a wonderful group of students. West and East Swimming Carnivals have been undertaken where it is all about the House Spirit building for the year. Opening Mass at both campuses, with Blessing Ceremony of Bishop Coffey Centre for Creativity building and new sculpture at East Campus.

Year 7 Camps have also been held at Forest Edge, which is all about team building and friendship forging with outdoor activities. Selandra Rise Youth Park opening was attended by Year 12 students who 3-4 years ago began the process where they helped developed the concepts through to completion. Building stronger links to our community. Bunnings Sausage Sizzle was held via the West SRC and sales for the day were a little over \$1,900. Our links with St Thomas the Apostle Parish was further cemented with Fr Denis being appointed as first Parish Priest. They hope to build the Church in next 2-3 years, until then the Church will continue to be supported by St Peter's College by way of the use of the Lyons Building for Mass each weekend. Church donated \$10,000 towards the east sculpture to show appreciation of the College support.

Harmony day celebrated last week at East and West. National Dress, Assemblies and Guest Performers – African Drummers and national food and other fundraising to support the Project Compassion fundraising campaign at both campuses. Stage 3B funding has been received and we are looking at tender for builders now. We are still awaiting news on the Year 9 Building for East and the Expansion of our Arts precinct at the West. 2017 VCAL Program will be offered at East Campus, if numbers permit they will go ahead, otherwise students are given the opportunity to transfer to West Campus.

### **Treasurer's Report:**

Karen Walker presented treasurers report, balance of account approx. \$13,000.00. This amount is made up of fundraising by the P&F through Bunnings Sausage Sizzles, Ritchie's, Pavers, and the Entertainment Book.

### **General Business**

Parents will be called to volunteer to support East SRC Master Sausage Sizzle in May.

Paperwork for the Masters SRC Sausage Sizzle will need to be completed.

Entertainment Book 2016-17 sales opportunity has recently been launched. We need to encourage maximum amount of sales.

Paver orders are being taken for West. Still awaiting for Paver timing for East from Tim Hogan.

April presented a breakdown of finances from the Bunnings sausage Sizzle which includes all products used for future reference.

AGM will be held at next scheduled Meeting.

Annual Meeting and Guest Profile presented. Available on website.

### **Closing Prayer:**

Tim Hogan, St Patricks Day, Irish prayer

Meeting Closed: 8:40 pm

Next Meeting: Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> April. 7.15 pm at the **WEST CAMPUS**, Guest Speaker Miss Karissa Robertson focusing on the Musical Production later in the year.