



ST. PETER'S COLLEGE

Parents and Friends Association

Meeting 6 June 2017

Meeting Opened	7:30pm
Present	Chris Black, Ellinor Allen, Karen Walker, April Hampson, Sharon Miller, Jeana Thomas, Briony Moloy, Paul Leita, Jodie Redman
Apologies:	Catherine Sieben, Naomi Bartlett, Mairi-anne Macartney
Correspondence in:	SPC Financial Statement
Correspondence out:	Nil
Welcome:	President Ellinor Allen
Opening Prayer:	Acting Principal Chris Black

Guest Speaker: Chris O'Hara, Vet & VCAL Co-ordinator, West Campus

Chris gave a comprehensive report of the structure of the two different Pathways and combination of pathways that our students can take in regards to curriculum. VCE for traditional book based learning, VCAL for those students who thrive in an environment of hands-on learning. Over the last ten years student participation in VCAL Program have grown from ten in 2006 to approx. sixty in 2017, nine of which are East Campus students. In recent years projects they have undertaken include the MP Hall Deck at the West Campus with mosaic cross wall mural. And Project that will form the basis of their 2017 projects at our Catholic Primary Schools this year. Students have to identify a project they will develop and deliver over the year, then dress and present as in a real business interview to a panel that includes the Principal. Their project is then accepted. Some of the activities undertaken this year is the opening of the VCAL Café to raise funds, The pitch to the College to install Solar Panels, and once this was agreed to, to then turn their focus on the launch and education program attached to this initiative. At St Teresas they will build 'open cubbies' and at St Agatha's new seating in the Rosary Garden. At The College here they will build, and maintain a Sustainable Garden, committing produce to an outside organisation who will distribute to those in need. Other VCAL students are undertaking work and fundraising for 'Mums supporting Families in Need', with a focus on obtaining newborn car seats that are desperately needed.

VCAL is offered to Year 11 and 12 students. Vet is an essential part of our VCAL Program and we also encourage all Year 10 students to undertake a VET Subject. Six subjects will be offered at SPC in 2018 with the launch of Cert III in Music Industry. SPC Futures Expo is on July 25th, and consideration of the different pathways and what is best suited to the individual students needs across either VCE or VCAL is a very important one for parents and students from Year 9 onwards. VET is combined with either the VCAL Pathway or VCE Studies. Year 9's will be able to participate in 'Try A VET' day later this year to help them with their decision making.

Meeting Closed for AGM:	8.05 pm
Meeting Re-opened after AGM:	8.20 pm

Acting Principal Report: Chris Black

Chris outlined numerous activities and events undertaken at the College over the last five weeks: Chess at the West is very strong, with a 3rd placing at our last tournament, which means students have qualified for State Finals. Catholic Education Week: Unity in Diversity, was a great success, with many student and staff activities. Two staff members were acknowledged for their long term years of service to Catholic Education in Victoria. David Hansen, DP Head of West Campus, and Roger Hampson, inaugural Assisi House Leader at West, currently RE Assistant Leader at East. Two 2016 Year 12 Graduate students were recognised for their results in their RE VCE results. The SIS Performing Arts Night was hosted and MC by St. Peter's College Student Leaders, Letisha Dalton from the West Campus and Luke Garcia from the East Campus, and along with our many performers and backstage students did a great job, and St. Peter's College is very proud of them all. VCE Performance Evening was also a great success, with East students participating for the first time. SRC Training Day undertook a new format in line with the new SRC membership (which in the past has been mainly Year 12's and now draws from students across all Year levels). College Captains at the end of 2016 undertook their training day and were asked to go away and plan and deliver the SRC Training Day for our current and future student leaders. The day was a wonderful coming together of our students, with workshops and team building activities. VCAL Café has been opened at the West Campus. SIS Cross Country competition has been run, with St. Peter's College participants drawn from the inaugural off-Campus West and East Campus combined Cross Country event held recently.

Building Update: East Campus Year 9 Building is slower than hoped, but still expect to have it ready prior to HeadStart Program in November. East Landscaping will be undertaken with the completion of the Year 9 Building and will encompass other areas of the facility grounds. West Campus Master Plan is almost complete. Working with Y2. Traffic Management will form part of this program. It is expected that parents will be inconvenienced by the Traffic Management changes, but they are essential for safety.

Treasurer Report: n/a

General Business: April Hampson

Update from uniform subcommittee: wording for Uniform items presented and accepted. Girl's trousers/shorts will move forward with samples and survey now, with new Principal appointment. Social Media Working Party introduced. Discussion from all members of what, how and why with focus on PMI chart questions. April will forward feedback to Working Party Chair and email all members for any further input.

St. Peter's Day. P&F approved April Hampson to purchase and approved payment to reimburse from P&F funds for St. Peter's Day BBQ Lunch and Drinks. April to try and gather volunteers for the day. 2018 will have other difficulties with volunteers re WWC checks.

April and Mairi-anne to compile shopping list and get all required goods. Ellinor will do the vouchers again this year, April to supply her the Tutor Group numbers & staff numbers for each campus. April to invite 2016 College Captains to help on the day. If numbers are required.

Closing Prayer: Acting Principal Chris Black

Meeting Closed: 9:15 pm

Next Meeting: Tuesday 1st August, East Campus Administration Centre

Upcoming Dates & Guest Speakers 2017

Tuesday **27th June**, St. Peter's Day. P&F Committee BBQ Lunch

Tuesday **1 August**, Guest Speaker Gaby Spano, Humanities Coach, East Campus