



Parents and Friends Committee Meeting 29th August 2018

Meeting Opened:	7:30pm
Present:	Chris Black, , April Hampson, Mairi-anne Macartney, Naomi Bartlett, Jeana Thomas., Sharon Miller, Mandy Jewell, Vanessa Collins
Apologies:	Bec St Mart, Paul Leitao, Briony Molloy. , Jodie Redman, Ellinor Allen.
Correspondence in:	Nil
Correspondence out:	Nil
Welcome:	Naomi Bartlett
Opening Prayer:	Chris Black
Previous Meeting Minutes:	Accepted by Vanessa Collins Seconded Jeana Thomas
Treasurer Report:	Not provided Jodie Redman absent

Guest Speaker: Pam Fox, Learning Coach, The Arts West Campus

Pam spoke of her passion for The Arts and Education. She outlined her very varied career to date, which includes some overseas placements and work within various industries. The common denominator for all of her employment choices has been to expand her knowledge and ability within The Arts as well as Education. Pam came to St. Peter's College at the beginning of this year, after deciding to move from Mildura, to allow her son to attend University in Melbourne and still have his home and her support on a day to day basis. Pam told us how impressed she is with The Arts Program at St. Peter's College, and has already had a strong impact on the Program and Promotion of our students work.

Principal Report: Chris Black

- Futures Expo, went very well. In 2019 expo will be camp based during normal the day with workshops for students. Parents attending afternoon and evening
- Subject selection booth worked very well and this years Futures Event
- SIS book in a Day workshops have been hosted by St. Peter's College. Concept is present a book from start to finish product with text, Imagery, and cover
- Exchange programme well received, we return to Japan for 2 weeks over the Sept Holidays
- Solomon Islands Trivia, Great night, record amount raised. Getting bigger each year. This year we had a new quiz master providing as usual a fantastic atmosphere. Thanks to April and the team
- Pursuit of Excellence award: Celebrates High achievers in VCE and VCAL and prompts other to try harder
- St Vinnies Blanket appeal & Sleepout again raising awareness of homeless plight and raisings funds, at West Campus project run by VCAL students – well received by all, (willingness to give). About 80 students at both campuses slept, on floor, no heat, no breakfast – the felt an empathy of those homeless (went home tired, cold and hungry)
- Science Week: Talented student and dedicated staff on show. Lots of fun activities showcasing Science

- High School Musical: Wonderful event, confident grew each night with many students stepping out of their comfort zones. Delivering celebration of the Arts from New Drama team – amazing result and thank you
- Social Justice Camp: Great experience for those attending. Feedback from students was so positive, with opportunity to brainstorm and problem solve
- Student Leadership: Both campuses currently under way. Interviews and selections in progress and voting has already started. This year has seen outgoing 2018 Student Leaders involved in interview process

General Business: Chris Black

Chris presented a Powerpoint on SIF process to date, and Child Safety posters that will be introduced.

General discussion around the table was requested by Chris regarding the introduction of a Code of Conduct for Parents, as we have one for students and staff? Comments brought up were taken on board by Chris and April, who stated the document is a “work in progress” – and still needs a lot of work from all areas including Parents and Friends members inputting ideas.

The new ARTs precinct works due to start at West, were discussed

Closing Prayer: Chris Black

Meeting Closed: 8.50 pm

Next meeting: 7th November 2018, East Campus, Guest Speaker TBC