

Columba Catholic College

Parents and Friends Association

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President: Fiona Murray **Vice President:** Kate Scharf **2nd Vice President:** Toni Cullen **Secretary:** Mick Kingham

MINUTES OF MEETING

Monday 9th NOVEMBER 2020

Meeting held at St Mary's Campus Staff room and via ZOOM

Meeting opened at 7.00pm with a prayer – Jo Andrews

Meeting chaired by Fiona Murray

Present: Candi Dempster, Jo Andrews, Fiona Murray, Kate Scharf, Mick Kingham, Janine White, Sonia Wood

Apologies: Leanne Brandis, Michelle Lyons, Patrick Scharf

2. Minutes from previous meeting 12th October, 2020

Moved: Sonia Wood, **2nd:** Janine White

3. Business Arising from Minutes: Nil

4. Presidents Report:

- World Teachers Day and "Day for Daniel" was held on 30th Oct 2020. Volunteer parents provided smoko and platters for staff. Mr O'Connor thanked the parents for their generosity, well received by staff.
- Melbourne Cup event was "amazing"! The Thomasson family catered for lunch, ably assisted by 11 students from Columba who made fruit and cheese platters – all did an excellent job. The Calcutta and Fashion on the Field was great.
- The Sunshade Grant has been submitted – proposal conducted by Fiona Murray and Sandra McCabe. The Cancer Council will contribute 80% of cost up to \$30,000. Columba would have to contribute \$5-6,000 towards project.

Moved: Janine White

2nd: Candi Dempster

Carried

5. Principal's Report:

- Senior students have been participating in courses to prepare them for the outside world. Wed 11th Nov is Seniors "Big Day Out" – attending Bowling in Ten Pin Bowling in Townsville.
- Naidoc Celebrations to be held next week.
- Enrolment interviews for 2021 have been 'beserk'

- Some staff resignations have been received – Teaching, Kitchen and Residential staff (some of these are retirements). There has been a poor response to advertisements to fill vacancies.
- Girls Boarding is already full for 2021 – 6 are on waiting list.
- Boys Boarding is having a slower response

Moved: Fiona Murray

2nd: Janine White

Carried

6. Finance Report: reported at meeting

Opening balance 12th October 2020 - \$52,606.58

Income: \$11,180.50 from Melbourne Cup

Expenses: Nil

Account balance as at 9th November 2020: \$83,914

Business arising from Treasurers report: Nil

Motion: Financials are accepted by consensus.

Moved: Fiona Murray **2nd:** Mick Kingham

Carried

7. General Business – with notice

7a. Thankyou letters have been sent in response to Emergency Services Day participants – Griffiths Pharmacy and Emergency Service organisations.

7b. Melbourne Cup Luncheon had 67 attendees and 20 volunteer helpers. \$1,400 raised from Calcutta. New sweep system was resounding success – 12 prizes awarded, versus 3 prizes in previous sweep version.

A thankyou gift to be sent to helpers – a box of chocolates to be distributed to students who volunteered

The Fashion Parade made an excellent return to the Luncheon. Committee would welcome ideas for “Fashion of the Field 2021”

Income for event above \$11,000, Costs about \$4,300 – Estimated \$6-7,000 profit

7c. Sunshade Grants - \$19,456 rebate has been received for MCC Pool – Shade is retractable.

SRC to contribute \$8,000 towards shade. CSPA to contribute \$4,000.

Shade for the St Mary's Campus bus area to be pursued in 2021.

7d. CTRC Australia Day Awards – CSPA nominates Columba Catholic College for Community Event of the Year

7e. Graduation Dinner – volunteers needed - CoVid restrictions will apply to venue to allow as many family members to attend as possible.

7f. Diocesan update – Final meeting of 2020 this week. Meetings for 2021 will be in Week 4 of each term.

7g. Parent Engagement Toolkit – some ideas being sought for meetings/interactions and engagement for the school community.

8. General Business – without notice

8a. Climbing equipment for St. Mary's campus – equipment sought would be designed to build strength of core, hands and upper body. Equipment suitable for small and larger kids. Equipment allows for interaction of kids without being in each other's way. CSPA to contribute funds for 2021.

Meeting closed 8:16pm

Next meeting scheduled: Monday 8th February 2021 at St Mary's Campus Staffroom.

Signed:President

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Signed: Secretary

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