

**Shalom College**  
**Parents and Friends Association**

**General Meeting**  
**Minutes**  
**Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> May 2010**

- Attendance:** As per attendance book
- Apologies:** Drew Speight, Geoff Ebert, Mark Fagg
- Previous Minutes:** The minutes of meeting 13<sup>th</sup> April 2010 were read.  
Toni Sergiacomi moved that the minutes be adopted.  
Seconded by Traci Thornton
- Business Arising:** Some parents attended recent Flying Start forum and found that the difficult questions weren't answered and there was still a lot of concern over the issue of how the control over schools will be managed and also questions arising on how funding will be provided.
- Correspondence:** Nil
- In:**  
**Out:** Nil
- Treasurer's Report:** John Elphinstone tabled the Balance Sheet and Income & Expenditure Statement for April 10 (appended to the minutes) and moved they be adopted. Seconded by Michelle Baumgartner
- Board Report:** Mr Dan McMahon reported from the Board that policy review was taking place. The Board is also looking at reviewing the School Mission Statement concerning the core values of Shalom and ensuring that school policies flow on from the Mission Statement. Also reviewing core studies as last year's seniors were the first class to go through with core studies and looking at whether core studies will be affected by the national curriculum.
- Diocesan Report:** No report was available

**Principal's Report:** Mr Dan McMahon reported on the Fame Musical and what a wonderful experience it is for the students involved. Also encouraging support from families. In school sport 17 teams made it into finals and Shalom won 5 finals making it a successful sporting season. In the Eisteddfod Shalom had some great wins and places and it was a fantastic experience with a huge number of students participating. Shalom has received a share of the funds from the recent Catholic Schools Race Day and part of the funds will go to supporting the Edmund Rice Camp over the coming years. Thank you was expressed again for the sign and sports centre upgrade. There has been a recent Queensland Studies Authority meeting on the National Curriculum and subjects currently under focus are English, Maths, Science and History. By 2013 every state will be up and running in at least these four subjects in Prep to Year 10 with more to follow. There was a concern over the number of hours that may need to be set aside for these subjects and whether this would possibly impact on other learning areas possibly limiting student's subject choices.

**Agenda Items:** *Parent Education Evening* – Guest Speaker Mr Adair Donaldson has been booked for the June meeting to talk to parents on alcohol and sexuality in relation to young people. Mr Donaldson is a solicitor and presents this information from a legal perspective. The presentation ties in with a series of DVDs which assist young people in a variety of situations in which they might find themselves. This would be a useful resource for the school and would possibly be something the P&F might look at funding. There will be training during the day for staff and the presentation will be at night for parents. The event will be held on Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> June from 7 – 8 pm and an invitation would also be extended to other schools.

*Car Draw Sub-committee* – Things are well under way however there is still a need to find someone to take over the role of co-ordinating the ordering and preparation of food.

*Markets Sub-committee* – Year to date takings are still down from the markets canteen as a result of some rainy Sundays.

**Next Meeting:** **Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> June 2010**  
**Mr Adair Donaldson will speak in place of regular meeting**

**Meeting Closed:** 7.45pm