

Shalom College
Parents and Friends Association

General Meeting
Minutes
Tuesday 8th November 2011

Attendance: As per attendance book

Apologies: Dan McMahon, Pauline Fogarty, Louise Stallard

Previous Minutes: The minutes of meeting 4th October 2011 were read.
Traci Thornton moved that the minutes be adopted.
Seconded by Dorothy Scott

Business Arising: Nil

Correspondence:

In:

Letter re market stall – Nerida Giles
Letter re market stall – John Stubbs
P&F Federation re Day for Daniel
P&F Federation re Government review of QLD holidays
P&F Federation re World Teachers Day
St Andrews Redlynch – request for inaugural fete suggestions
Thank you letter from Camodia Trip

Out: Sportspower letter – car draw sponsorship

Treasurer's Report: Vince Habermann tabled the Balance Sheet and Income & Expenditure Statement for October 2011 (appended to the minutes) and moved they be adopted. Seconded by Toni Sergiacomi

Board Report:

- School Chaplaincy
- Master planning waiting on council and funding structure for Yr 7 transition
- Application for Rowing shed not approved by Diocese
- Changes to school holidays in 2012
- 2012 school fees and enrolment policy
- Shalom as Edmund Rice member school

Diocesan Report: Nil

Principal's Report: Mrs Elizabeth Austin-Campbell reported in Mr McMahon's absence.

- Great to see Shalom supporting Edmund Rice
- Giving tree huge success. St Vinnies truck to collect large amount of toys plus \$1800 received in cash donations
- Yr 12 gift to College – fundraising to go to Starlight Foundation

- Yr 12 Graduation next week with theme of light to follow on from theme of colour throughout the year
- Waiting on Diocesan confirmation re holidays 2012
- iPad in-service completed for teachers and parent sessions ongoing and well supported
- Yr 8 2012 Orientation Day next Monday. Overwhelming support from Yr 10 students offering their help
- Wonderful talent on show at recent Dance night and Music afternoon

Agenda Items:

EDMUND RICE CAMP REPORT

- Great response from children for recent camp at Chaverim
- Children wouldn't often get this opportunity for financial reasons
- Compassionate Shalom students welcomed and accepted children and reached out to children with difficult circumstances
- Shalom students saw another side to life and learnt to think of others in a completely selfless way
- Thank you to P&F for generous support and giving children opportunity
- Request for P&F to support Yeppoon camp in December holidays with \$500 to cover cost of bus.
- Janice Harvey moved \$500 go to Yeppoon bus. All in Favour

CAMBODIA REPORT

Students spoke on their experiences in Cambodia

- First time undertaking a large orphanage task – 21 students and 7 teachers
- Visited children's hospital and floating village - many interesting and memorable experiences with local food and travel, unreliable power and sinking boats
- Moved by the simple way of life and happiness of the children
- Spent a night in a village with local families – home stay dinner
- Worked hard in the vege garden during the mornings digging and preparing soil with the reward of spending the afternoons with children.
- Experienced emotional historical tours and visit to Vietnam war museum
- Students got to see the way other people live and recognised the long term impact of their short time there and the value of spending time with the little children
- Fundraising efforts resulted in donations of 6 months worth of rice and other food plus cooking and cleaning supplies. Baby food and supplies purchased with P&F funds. Funding also supplied for re plumbing.
- Students struggled to leave the orphanage taking with them lifetime memories.
- The experience was a wonderful opportunity which enriched the life of the community and the students and they expressed a huge thank you to the P&F for wonderful support

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CAR DRAW SUB-COMMITTEE REPORT

- Request for parent feedback and ideas for changes to format for next year
- Issues raised including: cost of food over past BBQ, lack of volunteers
- Suggestion of some free drinks then paying for extras
- Good feedback on catering
- Wonderful showcasing of school with music, art and catering

General Business:

- Yr 8 welcome 23rd February 2012- idea of making new families feel welcome and encourage parents to become involved not necessarily about meeting teachers however many teachers supported this year. Will review after next year if still necessary with all house events at start of year
- Car Draw 27th October 2012
- Meeting still to be held on 1st Tuesday of the month with no meeting in December and no postponing when falling in holidays
- Market stall letter to sell kettle corn – decided not to allow as conflicts with coffee shop (letter to be sent)
- Market stall letter to sell sunny boys – will allow to be sold unfrozen as take home product (letter to be sent)
- New Years Day market opening – will see how many volunteers available and committee will make a decision
- Discuss closing coffee shop on Easter Sunday – next meeting
- Advertise what P&F does for the school and where funds are directed

Next Meeting: Tuesday 7th February 2012

Meeting Closed: 8.20pm