

Parents and Friends Committee Meeting 29 May 2019

Meeting Opened: 7:30pm

Present: Chris Black , April Hampson, Sharron Miller, Naomi Bartlett , Elinor Allen,

Ellouise Johnson, Marzena Mansilla

Apologies: Mandy Jewell, Sharron Clover

Correspondence in: Financial Report

Correspondence Out: Nil

Opening Prayer: Chris Black – Catholic Education Week

Previous Meeting Minutes: Approved by Chris Black, seconded by Sharon Miller

Treasurer Report: \$12,671.58

Guest Speaker: Elouise Johnson, Re Teaching & Learning Couch, Clyde North Campus

Chris Black introduced Elouise, and her newly created role of RE Learning & Teaching Coach, Cranbourne Campus in 2019. Elouise was commissioned as an RE Leader in Catholic Education Week Dinner on Friday night.

Elouise told us how she really enjoyed her time at St. Peter's College as a student. Her most memorable memory is as College Captain in 2010 in her Year 12. Elouise was offered a place at Australian Catholic University, while still in Year 12 in the study of Sports Science. Elouise has throughout her time as a student, and beyond, had a keen interest in Sports and Theology/History. In the end when her results were published she chose to take up a position at Monash University studying Arts/History. One year later she moved into a double degree of Arts/Education. Elouise outlined that her personal Faith Journey has greatly enhanced her study and life experiences. Teachers while she was a student at St. Peter's College shaped her choice to become a teacher and continue to shape how she teaches still. Elouise told us how Mrs Elizabeth Hanney was a key influencer, at the time Elizabeth was a DP at St. Peter's College and has since gone on as Principal of Ave Maria College in Alberfeldie. Elouise told the story how she attended this years Women in Leadership Dinner and hoped she would she Elizabeth there. She went on to tell us how she was over whelmed with emotion when she did in fact see and speak to Elizabeth.

Elouise moved from her recount of her student years to her post University job hunt. She was hesitant to organise her Graduate teaching placement year at St. Peter's College, being aware that she did not really want to distort her memories of the College, staff and even classrooms, from when she was a student. So with the opening of the Clyde North Campus, since she was a student, it meant she could experience something new, while still maintaining her ties with St. Peter's College. She went on to us how she can recount her time at the Campus, by the number of building she has seen built and well as the number of shoes ruined by the mud while moving around what was essentially a building site. After her Graduation year, she resigned to travel backpacking around Europe with her partner. With history such a strong passion for her, it was a year of seeing and touching history that previously she had only been able to read about. While coming to the end of her years travel, she applied to return to St. Peter's College at Clyde North again. Three years on she has undertaken various teaching roles, been part of the inaugural teaching staff of the Year 9 XSpand Program, to being offered her current position. This year she sees her role as navigating the new role and setting clear goals for her Curriculum area. Elouise believes that the role of the RE teacher in Catholic Education is a very important one and she intends to push the curriculum to allow students to have a full Faith Experience as part of their education. She believes that the RE Curriculum should deliver an inclusive environment, allowing students to experience experts and have a witness and moderator focus. In closing she told the group that she believes Catholic Education Week is important, as it highlights that everyone in the College, from Leadership to Teaching staff to Admin Support staff, to consider their role as "The face Of Catholic Education and of St. Peter's College'.

Principal Report: Chris Black

Athletics Carnival for both Clyde North Campus and Cranbourne Campus have been completed. Great days on both occasions with students participation outstanding. Mothers Day Morning Tea hosted by VCal students. This activity forms part of their study program, where they need to undertake all of the required research and planning and then organise the food, set up and host the event. Greatly appreciated by all staff. VCal Project presentations undertaken to College Leadership. Students have to attend the College in their business professional dress and present their chosen project for the year. At the end of the year at the VCal Projects Evening they will present display of their Project and then verbally present to the same College Leadership Group, their Project outcome. House based activities are in abundance at the moment. These are especially important at this time of year, where with the cold and rain, students are looking for something to occupy them during lunchtime. House Shield Competitions is growing each year to be a very strongly supported and hotly contested race. VCE Performance Evening has been held for both Campuses in the Multi-Purpose Hall at the Cranbourne Campus. Our VCE Dance, Drama and Music students perform solo and ensemble work as a pre-curser to their VCE Formal assessments. In the sporting stakes there have been some great representation from our students at SIS and State/National events, including winning the SIS Cross Country, and students representing Victoria in National Golf, and representing Victoria in National Lawn Bowls Championships. The School Improvement focus for this year continues, with a greater inclusion of information in the e-Newsletter for parents, staff and students. The College Strategic Improvement Plan 2019 – 2022 booklet will shortly be sent home to all families.

General Business:

Graduate Outcomes. Presented by Chris Black

Attendees were asked to identify 2 outcomes they would like to see for their students on graduating the College. Responses included: Self Worth/Confidence, Sense of belonging – morals and attitudes. That they were on the right path. Work confidently in team environments. Open minded. Not to make decision in haste. Question; not to take things at face value. Value interpersonal relationships, self-belief, Catholic faith, & top score Yr 12 subjects. Faith Filled.

Further discussion on the presented list included, Hope filled statement needs some clarification. How will you judge if these are being achieved. Chris outlined that to him our 10 year Reunions will give a strong indication of where our students felt they were and what they have achieved since. Other ways may be through our Year 12 Cohort actions and interactions in their final year (Leadership, Social Justice Programs). #5 & 6 statements too wordy. Filled with teacher speak. #3 what is 'hope filled'. Chris said to him it means students leave with a positive outlook for their future.

#6 Maybe just 'Work Ready'.

Parent Code of Conduct. Presented by Chris Black

After this was last worked on with Matt Williams and the P&F parent group, this draft has been discussed at Advisory Board level, and feedback was that it was too wordy.

Attendees tonight agreed, and on working through the document notes were taken by Chris on where statements could be deleted, shorted or combined with other like statements. It was suggested that the Attendance Policy needs to be listed in the Associated Policy section. Definitions may be needed to clarify some actions that are deemed not suitable, and legal department will have a look at that aspect as well as the document as a whole.

School Improvement Plan. Graduate Outcomes list presented by Chris for discussion. Has been presented to staff for feedback and will be presented to students for their feedback prior to all feedback being considered by leadership Group for finalisation of the agreed Graduate Outcome.

P&F Support of Solomon Islands Fundraising. Sale of Raffle tickets & Trivia Night table sales.

St. Peter's College 25 Year Celebrations. P&F Committee agreed to support the event in the way of a donation towards the cost of the St. Peter's Day Dinner keepsake gift.

Treasurer Vacancy was filled by Mrs Manzena Mansilla with the nomination and unanimous agreement of those in attendance.

Parent Volunteers are required for St. Peter's Day BBQ. Notices via e-Newsletter and Facebook. April Hampson has undertaken all work she can do up to her leave and Office Staff and Naomi Bartlett will complete all other necessary work to ensure the smooth running of this activity.

Closing Prayer: Chris Black

Meeting Closed: 9.00 pm

Next meeting: 17 July 2019, Cranbourne Campus

Guest Speaker. Mrs Ann Jeans, Learning Enhancement Centre Coordinator,

Cranbourne Campus

2019 dates:

Tue 25 June		St. Peter's Day BBQ lunch
Wed 17 July	6.15 pm	Solomon Islands Fundraising Mtg
Wed 17 July	7.15 pm	P&F Meeting
Fri 2 Aug	7.00 pm	Solomon Islands Trivia & Silent Auction Evening
Wed 28 Aug	7.15 pm	P&F Meeting
Wed 16 Oct	7.00 pm	Gr 6 Family Orientation Evening Cranbourne Campus
Tue 29 Oct	7.00 pm	Gr 6 Family Orientation Evening Clyde North Campus
Wed 6 Nov	7.15 pm	P&F Meeting
Wed 11 Dec	7.15 pm	P&F Meeting
Tue 3 Dec	6.30 pm	SPC Presentation Night
Tue 3 Dec	8.50 am to 9.30 am	Yr 7 2020 Orientation Day