

St Anthony's Parents & Friends Committee Meeting Minutes
Term 2 – 7pm Wednesday 3rd July 2024.

Attendees:

Adam Bartlett, Lisa Clarke, Anna Novak, Marie Iofino, Leanna Langlands, Ornagh Griffin, Rebecca Murr, Alana Locke, Nicola Lincoln, Angela Aloschi, Kathy J, Andrew Lincoln, Kate Morony, Melanie Lumanto, Anthony Hull, Rebecca Bayliss, Emily, N Quirk, Ion Hadjihambi, Damien Crittenden, Jess Ronsisvalle, Suzannah Welch, Christie Callum, Georgina Taylor, Kim, Danielle Kelly, LMH, Jane Hayes, Tamara Rozova, Cynthia Serrano, Shane Lehane and Sara Carey

1. Acceptance of previous minutes
 - a. Accepted – Nicola Lincoln
 - b. Seconded – Andrew Lincoln
 - c. Adam to share minutes more broadly.

2. SCECs
 - a. Gem Rodrigues-Gonzales, SCECs Regional Operations Manager, present to discuss the introduction of SCECS to St Anthony's and answer any questions, and receive any communications of issues.
 - b. SCECS currently in process of onboarding new staff and expecting a permanent assistant co-ordinator who will be on site 5 afternoons a week.
 - c. Discussed expression of interest (EOI) process for vacation care. Gem explained EOI was to gain an understanding of the interest and demand. It is difficult to operate a program if the numbers are too low, generally aiming for a minimum of 18-20 children to operate a vacation care. Could consider combining vacation care program with a nearby school, and happy to explore combining with St Margaret Mary's, Randwick North.
 - d. For the Staff Development Day there were only 2 EOIs, as such SCECS were not able to run. It was questioned whether the school has a duty to provide care on Staff Development Days, Anna will look into it.
 - e. Discussion around the structure of the before and after school care program, e.g., having kids indoors at particular times. Gem advised the need for routine and the staff are mindful of safety and lighting outside.
 - f. Concerns were raised as to the model of engagement from SCECS around not operating a vacation care or staff development day if there isn't sufficient interest (from a SCECS perspective). This impacts the reliability and trust in the SCECS program. Suggestions from the Parent Group were made for SCECS to operate irrespective of the number to build relationships and trust. Gem will liaise with Franceyne (SCECS CEO) on this matter. There were other opinions in the Parent Group urging the need for St Anthony's families to choose SCECS vacation care program over other programs to help build the viability and improve operational aspects of SCECS vacation care.
 - g. The Vacation Care program was also not covering all days of the school holidays, which detracts from its viability as an option for families.
 - h. The SCECS booking system is disorganised across multiple different platforms with incorrect information.

3. President's report:
 - a. Events of term 2 discussed
 - i. Mother's Day – 114 RSVP'd
 - ii. St Anthony's Feast Day Colour Explosion – the run for fun was cancelled due to bad weather. Thanks to Anna and the school for making the best of the weather. Thanks to the volunteers for the BBQ.
 - b. Playground update
 - i. Adventure Plus has provided a subsequent proposal that isn't encroaching on the racetrack. Awaiting estimates for ancillary cost.
 - ii. Waiting second proposal from Forpark
 - iii. Once all proposals are back, they will be circulated for feedback and choosing a provider.
 - c. Term 3 events
 - i. Trivia night, 9th August, Clovelly Bowling Club
 - ii. Grandparents Day, with support from Yr3 an Yr4.
 - d. Call for P&F Committee for 2025-2026.
4. Treasurer's report
 - a. Colour explosion raised \$3,172
 - b. Uniform shop takings \$240
 - c. Current balance \$70,476
5. Principal' and vice principal's update
 - a. Very exciting and eventful term.
 - b. Highlighted AIP goals for staff development.
 - c. This week is focussing on reading.
 - d. NAPLAN preparations are underway.
 - e. GENE challenge tasks, with professional teaching for teachers throughout the year to differentiate learning within classroom day-to-day.
 - f. Anna will share Sporting Program.
6. Update from Leanna Langlands
 - a. Charitable events
 - i. Term 2 – \$620.20 funds for Jesuit refugee
 - ii. Term 3 – St Vincent's winter sleepout appeal (7th August)
 - iii. Term 4 – St Vincent's Christmas hampers
7. Other business
 - a. Idle off – Anthony Hull
 - i. Cars are a great source of pollution. Children are at greater risk of negative effects than adults due to being closer to the ground and breathing more.
 - ii. St Anthony's can lead the way nationally with this initiative. Sydney Catholic Schools initiative in planning.
 - iii. Anthony and Fiona planning education for school children.
 - b. Car park line

- i. Concerns regarding the flow of traffic. Anna and Marie reiterated they are not allowed to direct traffic.
 - ii. School to improve communications to families.
 - c. Top court
 - i. Grateful the students have been able to access this for netball training.
 - ii. Anna has discussed the removal of rubbish with Father Laurie.
 - iii. Netball parents are happy to do a working bee.
 - iv. Anna sourcing companies to paint netball lines +/-basketball lines.

Meeting close 8:26pm