

President: Ms Janelle Davis
Treasurer: Mr Keith Saunders

Vice Presidents: Mr Ben Gouldson and Mr David Johnston
Secretary: Mr Patrick Darveniza

MINUTES OF GENERAL MEETING

Tuesday 12 February 2019

Meeting commenced at 7:05pm

Present: Ms Nicole Bourne, Ms Jodie Macdonald, Ms Keryn Macdonald, Ms Louise McCormack, Dr Robert Heffernan, Ms Kylie Munn, Dr Linda Evans, Ms Janelle Davis, Mrs Jaye Ross, Ms Catrina Sharpe, Mrs Erin Tonscheck, Mrs Marita Ramia, Mrs Helen Lange, Mr Jamie Cross, Ms Catherine Butler, Ms Charmaine Aldridge, Mr Keith Saunders, Mr Stewart Peacock, Mr David Johnston, Mr Bronte Smith

Apologies: Mrs Amanda Lewis, Mr Mark Freeman, Mr Patrick Daveniza

The meeting opened with the College Prayer:

Almighty God, in whom we move and live and have our being, make this school as a field which the Lord hath blessed, that whatsoever things are true, pure, lovely and of good report, may here forever flourish and abound. Preserve in it an unblemished name, enlarge it with wider usefulness, and exalt it in the love and reverence of all its members as an instrument of Thy Glory; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The President welcomed everyone and thanked them for their attendance.

Minutes of the previous meeting

The minutes of the previous meeting held on 9 October 2018 were circulated by Mrs Ramia, in Mr Daveniza's absence.

Mr David Johnston moved and the motion was seconded: 'that the Minutes of the meeting held on 9 October 2018 be taken as read and confirmed.' Carried

Correspondence

In From Mr Trevor Watts, Member for Toowoomba North
From Mrs Libby McPhee – update regarding Friends of the Border Community

Out – n/a

Principal's Report: Dr Linda Evans

Dr Evans welcomed everyone to 2019 and thanked those who attended the P&F Welcome function. Dr Evans then reminded all in attendance of the P&F charter -

The Fairholme Parents & Friends Association is a support group designed to provide assistance to the students of Fairholme College through betterment of the educational environment. It also provides a friend-raising and networking forum for parents. This occurs in a diversity of ways - through attendance at meetings, serving at school-based events, fundraising and generally in showing interest in school activities. Through support of the Holmestore, the annual Spring Fair as well as other fundraising activities, the P&F are able to undertake projects which provide extra resources and capital items that cannot be generated through fees. The provision of such items and resources is designed to benefit as many students as possible ideally, over a number of years.

The philosophy of making even a small difference across the entire school community is in keeping with the spirit of the P&F.

Staffing update:

Boarding Supervisor	Ms Jackie Barrie
MS/SS Mathematics Teacher	Ms Constance Coverdale
Teacher of Performance Music	Mrs Sharon Gilbert
MS/SS Science Teacher	Mrs Melissa Hall
Administrative Assistant to Pathways Centre	Ms Alison Ould
LEC Assistant	Ms Hannah Phillips
LEC Assistant	Ms Rachel Sanders
Visiting Music Teacher - Singing	Ms Alana Scott
Visiting Music Teacher - Singing	Ms Stephanie Treddinick

Proportion of teaching staff retained from previous year:

Number of Permanent Teaching staff at end of previous year	Number of these staff retained in the following year	% retention rate
69	69	100.00%

In January long time staff member Mrs Helen Pumpa retired after 14 years working in administration – accounts payable. In February two long standing staff members moved to promotional positions - Alison Scott to St Margaret's in Brisbane and Scott Klæbe to a Catholic College in Adelaide.

**The average student attendance rate as a percentage in 2018 was
94.22 %**

Enrolments

- Current Year 10 enrolments have increased to 107 in Year 10 – an increase of 21.
- Year 7 enrolments are placed at 94. Of these 94, 33 are boarders.
- There are five full fee-paying homestay Japanese girls in Term 1, along with three full-fee paying Japanese girls in Term Three. Additionally, Fairholme will also host a number of short stay Japanese students throughout the year.

Looking Ahead

Big Weekend –

- 21 Feb Maree Crabbe, Jnr Swim Carnival
- 22 Feb Mid/Senior Carnival, Principal's Welcome Function
- 23 Feb ACER scholarship Exam
- 24 Feb Twilight Chapel 5.15; Film 6.00
- 25 Feb Leaders' Induction

Masterplanning – Tuesday 23 April Assembly Hall with 3M Architecture



Where have we come from and where to next?

We shape our buildings and thereafter they shape us. Winston Churchill

Parents are invited to be part of this important process – specific details to follow in the next few weeks.

Senior School Report: Ms Catrina Sharp

- Currently transitioning 30 new students to the Senior School
- Year 12 students have enjoyed a positive start to the year, applying the motto “20 1-9 It’s our time”
- Highly recommend attending the Information Evening on Pornography and Young People today delivered by Maree Crabbe on 21 February 6.30-8pm at Centenary Heights State High School Assembly Hall (flyer circulated)

Middle School Report: Mrs Jaye Ross

- Supporting the 94 year 7 students who have recently returned from a very successful camp
- Wellness coaches have been convening afternoon teas for the new students in year 8 and 9

Head of Ministry and Mission: Ms Catherine Butler

- 7 students attended the Cambodia trip
- Open invitation to all families to attend the worship service prior to the whole school twilight picnic (Sunday 24 February)

Head of Teaching and Learning: Mr Stewart Peacock

- Presented an overview of the QCS and OP results from 2018
- All agreed that Fairholme students performed at an exceptional standard, with 7 OP1s

Junior School Report: Mrs Erin Tonscheck

- There are 28 new students to the Junior School in 2019, an substantial increase from 12 in 2018
- The year 6 leadership application process is currently underway

Presidents Report: Ms Janelle Davis

- Mr Peacock and the teaching staff were congratulated by the P&F on the outstanding results achieved in 2018.
- The P&F Welcome Function was conducted on 3 February and was very successful. Mrs Marita Ramia, Mr Stewart Peacock and Mr Mark Freeman were thanked by the P&F for their

support in making this event a fuss free enjoyable afternoon. East Street Kitchen (a Fairholme family) were acknowledged for their excellent catering.

- The P&F AGM will be held Tuesday 12 March 2019.

Treasurer's Report: Keith Saunders

- Mrs Belinda Leeson was thanked by the committee for her assistance and diligence at the Spring Fair.
- The Treasurer's Report was circulated to the attendees

Mr Keith Saunders moved and Mr David Johnston seconded the motion: 'that the treasurers report presented at the meeting be taken as read and confirmed.' Carried

Communications and Marketing Report: Mrs Marita Ramia

- Principals Welcome Function 22 February – please ensure you RSVP
- Scholarship sitting will be held Saturday 23 February
- There will be a talent show prior to the Twilight Picnic on Sunday 24 February – pizza orders to be in by 14 February and there will be hot chips and drinks for sale on the evening. Parents and students are asked to ensure that there is no popcorn for this event please.
- Entries are now open for the Facets of Fairholme Art Exhibition, with opening night scheduled for 31 May 2019.

Friends of Junior School (FOJS) Report: Ms Jodie Macdonald

- Preparations for the swimming carnival are underway and there have been some changes made to the Mothers and Father's Day stalls for this year.

Boarder Support Group: Libby McPhee n/a

Supporters of Fairholme Arts (SOFA): n/a

Friends of Sport (FOS): – n/a

Board of Directors Report: Mr Jamie Cross

- First meeting is scheduled for the week of 18 February which will focus on preparation for the strategic master plan.

General Business:

Barista Training: Mrs Marita Ramia to follow up with Kate Van Der Plas to source additional barista training for those interested.

Projects Committee: Mrs Jaye Ross asked that the Projects Committee be formed for 2019 with a view to convening prior to the next P&F Meeting. The Committee will include: Mrs Helen Lange, Mr Keith Saunders, Ms Janelle Davis, Mrs Erin Tonscheck, Mrs Jaye Ross, Ms Catrina Sharp, Ms Charmaine Aldridge and a boarder parent (TBC). Mrs Ross will circulate the request to school staff to apply for projects and collate prior to the meeting which is scheduled for 11 March.

The P&F President thanked everyone for their attendance and welcomed newcomers to the P&F and the Fairholme community.

The meeting concluded at 8pm.

Next Meeting: 7pm Tuesday 12 March (AGM)