



St Finn Barr's Catholic Primary

Parents & Friends Association Meeting

5th April, 2016

MEETING OPEN: 7.35pm

PRESENT: Anthony, Annie, Caroline, Maree, Alli, Sharee, Bruce, Siobhan

APOLOGIES: Emma, Rebecca

PREVIOUS MINUTES: Moved: Sharee / Seconded: Caroline

BUSINESS ARISING from previous minutes.

Easter Raffle: Thank you to Sharee for organising the raffle and the great prizes. The winners loved going up to receive their prizes. For next time we will try to organise prizes earlier so that they can be displayed in the office and photos put in the newsletter to promote selling tickets as sales were down. The raffle made \$755.

Entertainment Books: Maree rang Sam Lees from Entertainment Book to discuss the issues we had last year. Maree decided to take on the selling of the books this year as we have made about \$800 in previous years. We are promoting the digital books which will mean no books to deliver. Any paper books will be collected by Maree and distributed directly to classrooms, ensuring that there is no work for the office staff.

Maree to ask Sam for a donation of a book as in previous years.

Bunnings BBQ: Carry forward to next meeting.

Steve Biddulph-Raising Girls: We were advised by Anthony that the school had something else on the date we had booked in May, so we had to cancel. When we went back to him saying we could now have this date as the school had changed, he had already book Mowbray Primary School for June and didn't want to do two. Annie is contacting Mowbray Primary to ask if we can advertise their evening and join in. Also Annie will get back to Steve and ask if we can book a Happy Children evening for August.

Magazine: Glenn will run another 10 copies of the magazine over the holidays. There are currently 6 people who have asked for a copy.

Fair / Family Fun Day: We have been advertising in the newsletter to gauge interest and so far have had one parent who is willing to help. A decision will be made at the next meeting.

Footy Margin Tickets: We have sold 66 tickets, with 34 still available, including the winning ticket from week 1. We will continue to advertise in the newsletter and also list the winners.

Mother's Day Stall / Flowers: Mother's Day staff and activities will be held on Thursday 5th May. Tammi organising stall and will let us know if she needs anything.

Special activities are being run in each classroom and parents are invited to visit between 11.30 and 12.45. Afterwards they are invited to a light snack in the hall. It was suggested that the flowers be put in buckets in each classroom for children to give to their mothers. Additional buckets to be taken to the hall.

It was agreed to order 200 rose for \$220 from the same florist as last year. Siobhan said she may be able to get a better price as she knows the florist. Sharee to order.

A working bee to be advertised in the newsletter to organise the flowers will be held in the kitchenette from 2pm on Wednesday 4th May.

Anzac Day: St Finn Barr's will be involved with about 20 children agreeing to participate. Annie suggested the Leadership team be encouraged to lead the school in this event.

Proposal from Kindergarten: After a call for ideas as to what to spend our money on, Siobhan (Kinder Teacher) and Caroline (Kinder parent) presented a proposal for upgrading Kinder areas.

Area 1 - Back of Kinder building is overgrown and unused and it is proposed to install a "mud kitchen" made from old pallets with tap/hose and granite/artificial turf on ground. Landscaping quoted by Over the Hedge with approx. spend of \$3000

Area 2 - Pathway from gate to Kinder building including the concrete circle to be painted and made into a Road Safety space including traffic light, road signs and bikes for riding etc, approx. spend \$840

Area 3 – Look at removing existing in-ground sandpit which is not being used and create a natural sitting area with log seats. Landscaping quoted by Over the Hedge and approx. spend \$2024.

Total cost for complete upgrade is approx. \$6000.

It was unanimously agreed that this is a great use of the P&F funds. Anthony had some issues with the materials being used on the ground and this will be looked into further. It was agreed by all to donate up to \$5000 on completion of the project (the school to initially pay and we will reimburse).

CORRESPONDENCE IN

- Entertainment Book setup information
- Various fundraising ideas

CORRESPONDENCE OUT

- Nil

TREASURER'S REPORT

Tabled - \$13046.60 with income of \$755 from Easter Raffle and expenses of \$175 for Audit.

Alli advised that the cheque for IGA Ravenswood has gone astray and has not been presented. It was agreed to put a stop on the cheque and to pay the overdue account via EFT.

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Tabled – Anthony covered issues that had been raised at previous P&F.

Booklists – after discussion with office staff it was decided to keep the system to same.

Canteen – discussions with several interested parties.

Morning PE – teachers exploring options to make up for this.

BOARD REPORT

Tabled with Principals Report

GENERAL BUSINESS

- **Cadbury fundraising boxes** – Sharee suggested this to be a good fundraiser. It was agreed that it was too close to the Easter raffle and to relook at it in 3rd term.
- Tour de Cure – school is already donating the gold coin from plain clothes day.
- Recycling – Annie brought this up again as it had been set up several years ago, but it was too hard to upkeep and teachers not wanting to be involved.
- Jennie requires a list of meeting dates for the rest of the year to include in the newsletter.
- Alli asked what has happened to the plaque for the swing set. Annie said she gave it to Anthony to be put on the swings? Anthony to look into it.
- Heather Tomkinson had asked to look at whether it is viable to get good sports tops to be used at all inter-school carnivals. Anthony advised that there would need to be about 50 shirts of all different sizes and someone would need to be responsible for the distribution prior to carnivals and then getting them back, clean, afterwards. It was agreed that it was a great idea but not practical.

NEXT MEETING: Tuesday 3rd May

MEETING CLOSED: 9.05pm

Thanks everyone for coming.