

MINUTES OF P&F MEETING

Date:	6/2/17
Location:	Faith Lutheran College, Redlands – Beveridge Rd Campus
Present:	Natalie Morrisby, Wendy Johnston, Prue Gardiner, Kimberley Knijff, Shane Altmann, Tania Russell, Catherine Williams, Teagan Ramage, Courtney Miles, Jared Grant, Julie Koplick Kerry Richards, Lance Hewlett, Sheena Hewlett, Allie Gundry, Jake Gundry, Paul Golle, Bronwyn Barker.
Apologies:	
Confirmation minutes accepted as read:	Accepted by Bronwyn, Seconded by Teagan
Principal's report:	<p><u>Introduction and Welcome</u> Welcome to 2017, a year of change of FLCR. The relationship between families and school is critical. The importance of the work that volunteer groups such as the P&FA undertake cannot be overstated. It is my great privilege and joy to serve as the Principal of this community, I look forward to working alongside the P&FA, to understanding how you operate, to seeing what I can do to create a space for you to shine in. For me the role of the P&FA is to create community moments. Allocating cash to resources is secondary to uniting people and growing people through a shared experience, through a united vision. We love because we are loved, we serve because we are served. There are few greater callings than education, being part of that tapestry is vital to the success of our kids at FLCR.</p> <p><u>Facilities Update</u> This year has seen the resurfacing of the two tech sheds. The floors were ground and new product applied. Similarly, the Middle School toilets have been ground and resurfaced as well.</p> <p>The Health Hub has been fitted out, re-floored, cabinet work completed, ready for the new courses being offered there.</p> <p>Most immediately I will be looking to repurpose our Computer Labs over the course of 2017. Creating spaces with a broader ICT functionality is important. Robotics, 3D printing and other constructivist types of spaces should fit with agile learning environments that integrate computers as opposed to computers sitting in labs in a stand-alone manner.</p> <p>Looking at how our rooms are furnished will also be an initial focus. Watering Hole, Mountain Top, Cave, Sandpit, Campfire are all terms I hope our community becomes familiar with. Spaces set up in classes that create learning opportunities for our kids to do different sorts of tasks in specifically designated spaces. The physical environment is important and should reflect pedagogy and culture.</p> <p><u>Staffing Update</u> We have appointed Miss Megan Mason this week to our team as a Laboratory Assistant in the Middle and Senior School. Megan was a FLCR student, graduating in 2012. Now with her Science Degree she is back and it is wonderful to have her on our team.</p> <p>This year we also welcome a new Accountant, Pam Dyer replacing Tony Lever who is retiring in March. Our new teachers are Kristi-Leigh Paterson (Middle/Senior), Kelly Sayer (Head of House and teacher) and Carly Brooks (Head of House and teacher).</p> <p><u>Programs and Initiatives</u> At this early stage all I really have to update you with is that we have pushed out Parent Lounge as part of our full transition to TASS (The Alpha School System). Feedback so far has been very positive, families are already using the facility to pay fees online at all hours of the day and night.</p> <p>Next month I will have my head a bit further into a few other initiatives and be able to update you on what is coming up.</p> <p>Shane Altmann Principal</p>

Follow up:	<p>Tania welcomed everyone to the meeting.</p> <p>The Christmas stall was held after the last meeting of last year. It was a great success raising over \$2500 thank you to Prue, Nat and Bron for their efforts.</p> <p>From the money raised Tania and Natalie organised 7 hampers for the in need families at Faith. There were some Christmas items purchased along with some Gift cards for them to buy what they were in need of, the leftover money was put into the foodbank.</p>
Treasurer Report:	Read at AGM meeting
General Business:	<p>Catherine thanked to sponsors for the school this year. Australian framing solutions Private chefs of Brisbane Redlands Framing and Trusses Roamin' pizza SolaHart Fame will now be held in term 3, 17th of August.</p> <p>Prue reported some feedback from parents from grade 1 and 2 classes from the first day back at school regarding the way the stationery was dispersed outside of the classrooms by the parents. It was very disruptive, children were getting upset. Can the boxes be dropped off at school the week before school starts back? This would be less stressful for children and parents on the first day so they can enjoy it. It was also asked why the teacher aides couldn't sort out as in previous years? Catherine will pass this information onto Eloise.</p> <p>Book packing raised \$6,097 for the school. Kerry asked if this can be advertised so parents are aware.</p> <p>Allie brought up an issue at the high school carpark there seems to be collisions each week with the angle parking and cars reversing out into each other. Shane will put information on the app regarding this and Catherine will look in to getting signs.</p> <p>Paul asked about school fees having problems getting the right information to pay, it needs to be clear. There is a new system getting up and running where the issues may be coming from. Can there be clarity on BPAY terms? Jared suggested some ways to resolve this for Paul. Catherine and Shane will follow up.</p> <p>Paul discussed application for development across the road from Bev Rd campus. The proposal for the new estate will only have Beveridge Road access, Paul said they are a nice design, more upmarket. It was asked if there will be an upgrade. To widen the road? It will be 8 months before starting if it goes ahead. There is talk about having some shops across the road but would not support a convenience type shop going in. Shane asked if it was past the time where the school would be able to put input in? Paul replied that it's not too late and he can organise a meeting. Lance updated that the YMCA is still being proposed but he won't support it. Julie asked if the parents/school would have to contribute money to the development as that happened when the traffic lights went in? Shane said no. Paul said that the developer would have to pay. Jared asked if the school was landlocked? Will there be any more land purchased? Not at this time. The only land possibly available is running down the back of the high school, but no plans in place.</p> <p>Catherine announced that we were approved for a \$15,000 music equipment grant. Paul also suggested there is a sun smart grant available. Jared asked what the success rate is with grants? Catherine said we had approved the 3 we had applied for. Jared asked how they are sourced? Shane said that most of the information comes from their head office. There are also</p>

council grants available too. Catherine said there are over 3000 grants available each year for schools but we can't apply for them all and need to concentrate on the ones we are likely to get.
Tania said there are also community grants available through the P&FA.
Julie said there is also a facebook page which is great for seeing what's available.

Tania asked if we can get the yearly events in advance? A P&FA calendar? Catherine and Tania will work on this.
Kerry suggested making a magnet with the dates on?

The welcome bbq will be held on the 17th Feb. Volunteers needed please see Catherine.
Tania will talk at the parent information night about the welcome BBQ and make it known that it's for all families not just new families.
Catherine will also get a face painter for the evening \$60 for 2 hours.

Jake asked if the pigs will be back this Funfeset.
Tania brought up stall allocation for Funfest and how should we work it?
Class parent has the responsibility of getting the roster ready. Should the parent from previous year get first choice? The Plus side would be the experience and getting it started early in the year and the dedication.
Does it take away from new parents who want to have a go?
Allowing previous parents to have the option, negotiate if so.
If it's no, then the stalls will get thrown into the hat and goes up for dibs. We want as many volunteers as possible.
Should we have a 3 year limit on stalls? We need to break down the myth that it's "your stall".
Catherine loves the eagerness and Julie thinks that past stall holders should have priority.
David and Julie will be running the bbq again this year
Prue and Teagan asked if they could try a new stall this year of craft plaster painting? Yes great idea. Prue said they will make money from it as they have priced the pieces.
It's a community day.
Catherine will email a list of stalls after the parent info night.
The first Funfest meeting will be held at link road on the 21st of Feb.
Kerry asked if allocating stalls to classrooms would work? This had been discussed before and were against it as experience would be lost.
Bron suggested it was difficult for larger families and isn't an overly fun day when it's filled with all the performances and volunteering t multiple stalls. Catherine said that she has spoken with Jacinta and they were aiming to have one stage performing at a time.
Can there be a maximum limit for multiple stalls volunteering, say 2 hours? Yes we want it to be a positive experience.

Tania said that Jodie is resigning from the foodbank. Foodbank helps families in need, the freezers are at the junior campus.
Prue Gardiner has volunteered to be the new foodbank coordinator, there will be a change over with Jodie.
Tania suggested organising flowers to thank Jodie for all her hard work. Tania moved to spend \$50, Courtney seconded the motion.

Bush dance will be held on Friday the 13th of October, Teagan asked if we were looking to increase the size, yes. It will be advertised after FAME.

Closing Prayer:	Led by Shane
Meeting Close:	8.40pm Next meeting at Link road 6 th March 2017