



Newman Parents Consultative Committee

16.02

Monday 1 August 2016
7.00pm, Marist Auditorium – Studios 1 and 2

Executive: John Finneran (Principal)
Nerreda Hillier (President), Narelle Pyne (Vice President), Melissa Hills (Secretary)

Minutes

Opening & Prayer

John Finneran opened the Meeting at 7.00pm with a prayer. He then welcomed all to the NPCC Meeting.

Attendance

Jenny Hart, Claire Stannard, Tara Adamini, Kim Watson, Nerreda Hillier, Melissa Hills, Karen Loreck, Kerrie White, Narelle Pyne, Stella Rapanaro, Pippa Hobson, Jackie Bucat Lorraine Vicensoni.

1. Business Arising

- Communication, including NPCC Email newmanparents@newman.wa.edu.au
- Feedback needs avenue to relay information to community and consultative group. Email set up. Looking forward to this avenue being used.
- Mr Finneran discussed a feedback portal to become available to parents through website/or email in the future.

1.1 Marketing

- School is looking at improvements to be made to the website to make it more "user friendly" in the future.

1.2 Newman Parents

- Feedback from group with regard to Newman Parents
- Good attendance from a good cross section of the community and also staff.
- Very open and people felt that they could easily offer opinions.
- Also some concerns with change of management of learning in the future.

1.3 Acting Head of Primary School Mitch Bristow

Mr Bristow introduced himself and outlined his background. He highlighted:

- The presence of Faith in the school and the Marist way.
- He outlined that Maths assessment the primary school is using is to be commended.
- Level of core and personalised learning is excellent and commends the school for this.
- Nature play thanked group for the playground. A grant has been used to add more plants to the area.

2. School Improvement Plan

2.1 Principal

2.1.1 *Evangelisation Plan*

- Mr Finneran outlined what the school is doing towards the Evangelisation Plan and asked the committee to reflect.
- Data from Parent workshop notes to be collated. Questions asked were:
 - What is working well?
 - What could be improved?
 - What should/could be new?

2.1.2 *Capital Development*

Mr Finneran discussed the Capital Works Program and the process of change to occur at the school. Buildings to provide learning environments to cater for learning in the future.

2.1.3 *Complispace*

- The school contracts a third party to ensure controls are put into place. He stated all groups need risk assessments carried out for all activities/events to ensure all aspects are being met.

2.2 Lisa Fogliani, Deputy Teaching and Learning

- Lisa outlined the process for the staff workshops to ensure the Vision of Learning runs parallel with the schools Mission Statement.
- Staff are collectively working with the timetable for 7-12 to incorporate Pastoral Care.
- Moving forward to a 5 period rotation timetable for the day will change.
- Significant changes with year 7s going into year 8 with electives.

3. Parent Consultative Groups

ARTS

- First meeting date set 31st March
- Change of name Arts Festival
- Format: Art work set up in Auditorium, student art in Studio
- Opening Night – Friday
- Saturday afternoon and evening main fair rides/food.
- Open day – not on Saturday. New time to be announced.
- Welcome new members and called for any interested people.
- Artist in Residence – plan to have artist in residence for a week.

FRIENDS OF MUSIC

- Had a good start to the year, encouraging membership across all campuses.
- Music night was very successful, a great fundraiser.
- Looking at Jazz and Shiraz and compliance issues.

NEWMAN

- Ken O'Neil – “Adolescent Soul and Well Being” running workshop on 5th September. Workshop style.
- Promotion – direct invitations with RSVP. Advertise at feeder primary schools.

4. Newman Parents 2016

Term 3: Monday 5 September, Topic '*Adolescent Soul and Wellbeing*'

Term 4: Monday 14 November, Topic to be advised

5. Other Business

- Mr Finneran discussed suggestions for changes in the school uniform.
- Blazer – new trimming to be added to blazer for Year 10, 11 and 12 students.
- Tie – Year 12 tie to be given to all Year 12 students at a Liturgy. It is a leadership tie and all students wear proudly.
- Leavers Jackets – they will remain but as a jacket to be worn one day a week on a designated day.
- Primary uniform – discussion about boy's shirt to be "tucked in" winter only and out for summer.
- Blazer in primary school – discussion about whether we really need a blazer for active primary school children.
- Dress – general comment about dress to be worn through upper school. Suggestion to keep skirt and shirt for high school girls.
- Parking at Marian Campus and Lavalla.
- Campus needs continual work with parents.

6. Close and Date of Next Meeting

Mr Finneran closed the meeting at 9.00pm.

Next meeting, Monday 24 October, 7pm, Marist Auditorium
