

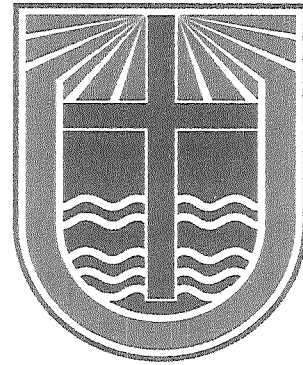
# Arndell Anglican College

## Parents and Friends Association

### Minutes of Parents & Friends Meeting

Thursday 20th February 2014

7:00pm – Junior Library



**Attendees:** Gareth Leechman - Principal  
Alannah Norman – President P&F  
Rachael Aldacour – Vice President P&F  
Nicole Hadden – Secretary P&F

Andrea Roth, Tammy Holder, Lyndal Spencer, Michelle Coleman, Nicole Klingstrom, Leanne Murray, Narelle Plass, Nerindah Marks, Kim Liddell, Jo Selff, Collette Pasfield, Denise Quinn, Sandra Cheetham, Hardin Smith,

**Apologies:** Jodie Woods

#### Opening Pray

#### Welcome

Alannah introduced herself as the 2014 P&F President and welcomed everyone to meeting.

#### Previous Meeting Minutes

Previous meeting minutes accepted as true and accurate

Moved: Rachael Aldacour

Seconded: Alannah Norman

#### Treasurer Report

Jodie unable to attend. Alannah passed on Jodie's report that there is money in the bank with a balance outstanding for final payment for gymnasium floor.

2012 accounts have been audited

Accounts are available for viewing on request.

Moved; Denise Quinn

Seconded: Andrea Roth

#### Trivia Night

To be held in gymnasium on 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2014. Back to School theme. Doors open at 6.00pm for table decorating and 6.30pm for general entrance. Trivia starts 7pm. Activities include live auction, games, prizes for best-dressed and winning table plus others. Tickets can be purchased through flexi schools or front office. There will be a separate charitable collection for Marnie Clapham Fund. P&F wish to thank the trivia team for their hard work.

#### P&F annual charitable Donation

Denise raised the possibility of using up to 10% of annual P&F profit to benefit a local charity. This will be advertised through the advocate and voted on at the next P&F meeting

#### Marnie Clapham Fund

There is an ongoing charity fund being run by friends of the Clapham family. Whilst not an initiative of Arndell college or the P&F we wish to assist in bringing awareness to the families situation. The fund was started with an initial loan of \$1200 and donation of \$300 from the P&F. The Marnie Clapham Fund is a legal charity and operates under a constitution, for any further information or to make a donation please contact Denise Quinn.

Marnie's mum wishes to thank the whole Arndell community for their support.

#### Gymnasium Floor

Floor has been completed to a very high quality, all reports on use very positive.

#### Back Car Park

Suggestion made to lay crushed rock over the surface of the back car park as it is now being used by a large number of the junior school parents.

### **Sibling Discount**

The sibling discount offered to families with more than one child attending Arndell is under review. School budget details are still being assessed but it is looking likely that there may be some adjustment to discount to reflect rising fees

### **Junior School Captains/House captains**

All year 5 students have the opportunity to present a speech for consideration of captain, prefects and sports captain roles. Selection is made after assessment of student's election speech, previous behavior, attitude, and performance throughout the year. May not be an equal amount of male and females in roles, as gender is not taken into consideration when selecting students. School should provide encouragement, guidance and opportunities for boys to develop their leadership skills.

### **Junior Parent portal**

There was some concern from parents regarding the lack of assessment tasks and grades being displayed on portal. There has been a change in the way children are being assessed, it is now a more fluid and continuous model, therefore the old system of displaying grades is no longer being used. Parents are encouraged to speak to their class teacher for information on their child's individual learning and development

### **Year 5 class size**

There are currently 29 children in the year 5 classes, constitution allows for 30 per class.

### **Buses**

There have been changes to the Kurrajong bus timetable to help provide safer, less crowded travel to school. This only applies to morning route at present and will be monitored.

### **Marquees**

P & F agreed to fund new marquees, size and quantity to be discussed with Chris Martin. Was noted that only some of the existing sports marquees have bible quotes on them. Discuss with Mr. Webb the printing required for new marquees

### **Strategic Plan**

- Existing Strategic Plan completed ahead of schedule.
- Ideas being formulated for the next 4-year Strategic Plan. Strategic Plan is used to formulate Operational Plans, which guide the day-to-day running of the college
- Plan will include debt reduction and minimization of interest payments
- Enhance reputation of the College
- Reinforce vision and value statement of Arndell
- Currently 941 students enrolled at Arndell, optimum size is 1020 students
- Options for future land acquisition being explored.
- Approx. launch of Strategic plan Term 4, 2014

**Meeting Close 8.30pm**