



# The Cathedral College

## Parents and Friends Association

### MEETING MINUTES

17<sup>th</sup> AUGUST 2021

**Chairperson** Marianne Williams      **Time** 5.30pm - 6.30pm  
**Secretariat** Trisha Smith      **Location** TCCR Library

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| <b>Attendees (Physical)</b> | Marianne Williams<br>Trisha Smith<br>Suzanne Phillips<br>Trevor Christensen<br>Mick Alexander<br>Tamara Schillaci<br>Rob Alexander<br>Trish Kelly<br>Nicole Collins<br>Jo Munro<br>Allan Conner |
| <b>Attendees (Teams)</b>    | Tim & Leesa Bongers<br>Roxanne Hodda  |
| <b>Apologies</b>            | Georgina Harch<br>Kalie Green<br>Miranda Broadbent  |

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| <b>Opening Prayer</b> – Rob Alexander                  |   |
| <b>Acknowledgement of Country</b> – Trevor Christensen |   |
| <b>Minutes of Previous Meeting</b>                     | <b>Minutes of meeting held 2021</b><br>Moved Trish Kelly/ Seconded Mick Alexander that July 2021 meeting minutes are confirmed true & correct |

## **Business Arising**

**Update on girls long pants addition to uniform:** Rob Alexander requested feedback from parents as to whether anyone thought there was any downside to girls being able to wear the long pants all year round if they wanted to. There were no objections. Rob indicated that he had also asked some of the students who indicated that it would be good for girls to have the choice to wear them all year round if they felt more comfortable in long pants rather than the skirt. Rob indicated that TCC are happy for the girls to wear the long pants all year round if they wish, and this would be added to the uniform requirements.

**Girls cut blazer:** Rob Alexander said that TCC have no plans to change the blazer at this stage.

**Facebook page for boarders:** No current plans. There are solid guidelines around schools having social media accounts. One of the rules is that a staff member has to monitor it and this is quite a big job.

**Boarding section on website:** There is already a boarding section on the website, however Rob Alexander suggested it may need some updates/additions.

## **Agenda Items**

No agenda items (other than business arising from July meeting)

## **Treasurer's Report**

No expenses have been incurred since the last meeting. We have received the invoice for \$74,928.00 for projectors that the P&F had committed to fund in a previous meeting.

\$126,465.37 current account balance.

Marianne Williams moved / Tamara Schillaci seconded that the treasurers report is true and correct.

## **Principal's Report**

**Student Free Day:** There is a student free day at the end of week 8. This day is when the year 12 assessment items for 2022 are being approved. This process requires quite a lot of staff thus the need for it to be a student free day. Approximately 20 teachers will be at other schools approving the assessment items.

**Academic awards night:** Currently looking at having this at the end of week 2 in term 4 at 5:00pm on a Friday night. Feedback from parents last year suggested if it was held earlier the evening would be finished by 7:00pm and families would have the

opportunity to celebrate their children's achievements with them on that night.

**Teachers for 2022:** current indications are that there is only 1 teacher leaving at the end of 2021.

**New building projects:** Rob Alexander showed the P&F attendees an animation of the plans for the Mercy Centre which will be extended to allow for more capacity, and also the gym which will be doubled in size. Hoping the construction will begin in October/November but this will depend on quotes and availability of builders etc.

**End of OB building – toilets:** Rob asked what parents thought of the planned design, as to whether we thought it may be a bit too open. Feedback was generally that parents thought there was enough privacy and that it was good to have “passive supervision”.

Hard covered area for Grade 8's.

**Year 12 Formal walk through:** In 2020 with COVID regulations TCC had no choice but to have this out on the oval. This year we are able to have grade 11's come along for the walk through. Rob Alexander asked what parents thought about getting the students to walk same path as last year, non family group members would be able to wait in the car park area to see the students arrive in their cars and start the walk through ... family groups would be in main covered area but with a limitation of 10 family members per student able to come along and view the walk through. Everyone would be seated and protected from the elements. Feedback was that some families would like to have close non-family members allowed to attend the walk through in the seated area as some students don't have many family members that can attend, but have close family friends that are their “family”. It was suggested that TCC should just set a limit to the amount of people that each student can have attend, rather than specify that they need to be immediate family. Rob Alexander will also chat to students in regards to what they would like the finishing time to be on the evening of the formal.

**Correspondence**

None

**General Business**

Trish Kelly: When viewing the livestream of academic awards some of the footage is too dark to see your student on stage. Rob Alexander indicated that he would look in to this.

Changes to constitution: Will be voted on before the next P&F Meeting during a Special Meeting called for this purpose.

**2021 Meeting Dates**

**PARENTS AND FRIENDS ASSOCIATION MEETING DATES 2021**

Meetings commence at 5:30pm (Tuesdays)

16 February

16 March

27 April

18 May

15 June

20 July

17 August

14 September

19 October

16 November