## Minutes OF THE GENERAL MONTHLY MEETING P&F IONA COLLEGE

**February 7<sup>th</sup>, 2022** 

1. OPENING PRAYER

Fr Michael Twigg OMI

2. ATTENDANCE AND APOLOGIES

none, attendance as per sign in sheet

## 3. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

- a. Approved by Anne Stone and Leanne Goodwin
- **4. CORRESPONDENCE-** none to report
- 5. **PRINCIPAL'S REPORT-** Interesting start to the year; home learning only for Yrs. 11&12 needed to continue; next few weeks some challenging times with COVID; have protocols in place, limited no. of tests available (99 so far). Happy to have student back. Lots of work to get ready- growth hub developed. New offices and carparks. Comms home for events, keep an eye for updates. Theme this year is GROW. Everyone has a part to play on their own growth. More to come.
- 6. **RECTOR'S REPORT-** Some hair cuts of note, a few sent home- mullets. Top 3 independent schools in QLD for numbers. Big day back at school, vast majority seemed to be happy to be back. 1810 students, two new houses so bigger numbers but smaller house groups. Swimming program re-launch, kids from 14 different school access it. Oldest pool in a school in QLD. Lions and the Seagulls train at the school over the holidays. In negotiations with Dylan Alcott to come to the school later in the year.

Question about the calendar availability- should be in the next 24hours Question about the on-line uniform shop. Father to follow up and ask the shop directly. Will it be available.

Online question-Trevor- on OneNote and on Compass- can't have teachers doing both but doing the best as possible.

Question about information on assessments on OneNote- Trevor-in hand as we speak

7. **TREASURER'S REPORT-** start with \$10567k in bank. Contribute to Wellbeing done, audit fee done sailing grant back out of our account. Refund from Waterloo now received.

## 8. Guest Speaker - Donna Elkington - Dean of Learning and Teaching

New in the role but not to the school.

2021 results- 206 graduated 99.5% received QCE; 71% received an ATAR; 8 above 99; 1 got 99.95; 10 above 98.95; 15% above 95; 24% above 90.

Met with Yr. 12's today. COMPASS main vehicle for Comm with students.

Main advise to students is be organised, keep contact with teachers if isolated or off, be connected.

Lots of help available for Yr. 12's- just need to avail themselves to them.

Father Michael- Information session for parents coming up.

In response to online question on report tracking for Yr. 11&12 from a few years ago-Have valuable discussion about progress and expected ATAR scores with each Yr.12 can give them good guidance each term on how they are tracking.

**Second Guest Speaker- Mr Holmes-** Grade 5&6's generally very happy to be back. This morning went well. Has been at the school for 31 years, 20 in primary, looking forward to driving primary forward, not just seat warming while Mr Courtney recovers. One new teacher, new demountable building behind pool area, used for team teaching. Parent spick ups went very well. Parent info nights- will be on-line format Tuesday the 15<sup>th</sup> February. Welcome BBQ 20<sup>th</sup>. Really important to take advantage of these events as valuable friendships are forged Please get familiar with the Wednesday newsletters. COVD rules are slightly differently than the high school. Have positive conversations about staff with your sons at home. Keep good contact with the teachers, important for them to know big events that happen in the background.

- 9. SUPPORTER COMMITTEE REPORTS- none tonight. Start of year.
- 10. CATHOLIC SCHOOL PARENTS QLD REPORT- none for tonight, need a rep.
- 11. Welcome BBQ- discussion of requirements etc. Volunteers register on-line sign up coming soon, next week, new process.

Name badges for P&F committee was raised as something that might be helpful. Colour run coming up 13<sup>th</sup> March.

12.**GENERAL BUSINESS-** Comment was made. The call home to the families went well.

Question raised about the Mother's event- will be an agenda item for March. What are we raising funds for this year?- Something for to think about and raise ideas.

- 13.NEXT GENERAL MEETING scheduled for March 7th
- 14.MEETING CLOSED