Xavier College Parents & Friends

General Meeting – Minutes

(Subject to acceptance at the next general meeting)

7 June 2016

Meeting opened: 7:10pm

Attendance and Apologies: NIL

Opening prayer” Read by Mr Patrick Finnerty

Previous Minutes: Accepted: Fiona Bax

2nd: Marianne Wilson

Business arising from previous meeting:- NIL.

Correspondence in/out: NIL.

Principal’s report:

- Happy with support for trivia night.
- Mr Pate was invited to a one on one with Adrian Piccoli, Minister for Education. He will now be spending a day at the school in term 4 in 2016.
- Mr Pate met with Simon Birmingham and a few other MPs. Discussed Gonsky and funding and Xavier will still get funding. They want to hold a Q & A at Xavier in Week 9.
- Hosting Mercy Cross & Icon
- 7 of the schools younger teachers are presenting at an International Conference.
- World Youth Day is in final preparation stage.
- Year 9 Mentor Program – Talking to students about doing HSC at Xavier and going to Uni. Discussing NAPLAN preparation and students study plans.
- Captivate has selected 4 year 12 students from Xavier to perform.

Assistant Principal’s Report – Patrick Finnerty -

- Bell has been replaced with Music. Kids enjoyed the change.
- Andrew Wonsen, director of E-Learning and Innovation – Federal Police are coming to school to discuss with teachers cyber safety on 21 June 2016 @ 6pm.

Presidents Report –

- Selling chocolates at uniform shop. We sold 20 boxes – profit is roughly $420.00 (chocolates cost $624.18).
- Alinta Uniforms come into uniform shop. Thinking of changing socks to be bought in from school. Will be brought in for year 7 and then move forward to each year.
Vice Presidents Report – Fiona Bax

- Trivia night went well. Coin toss was the most popular event of night. Panther’s staff donated their tips to the night also. The night roughly made $23,000.00 (including table ticket sales).
- Kids who helped at trivia night will get two tickets to the kids who helped and a private tour of Panther’s new facility.

Treasurers Report – 1 cheque deposited to Cadbury for $624.18. Deposit of $1,027 to be made, but has not yet been completed. Funds were only just received by the Treasurer.


NIL email for General business.

General Business:

- Discussions regarding 9 and 10 choices. Why did the school decide to remove 200 hour course from the courses offered? The school has decided to have 1 Elective in year 9, 2 in year 10 and 4 in year 11. The decision was made based on what was best for the school. One of the parents was quite upset in regards to the schools electives no longer being 200 hours and ended up leaving the meeting early.

- Discussions regarding fundraising for the school to assist the school to better the education of our children, it was discussed that the P&F’s primary responsibility is to do fundraising to assist the school to better the kids’ education, the P & F Secretary felt that we should not be discussing issues which cannot be fixed and are no business of the P & F. The president confirmed that as per the Constitution, the P & F was entitled to discuss School issues and the aim of the P & F was not solely to fundraise to assist the school. Mr Pate advised that the school would benefit from a pergola or shade sail and astro turf to in the court yard. The Treasurer, Liz has had a few discussions on allotting times for fundraising for the P&F committee. Xavier will do a donut fundraiser for NSW v QLD Donuts and a cookie fundraiser once a month to raise funds for the P & F Committee. Also possibility to put tubes in school to put in spare change to raise funds for the P & F.

- Liz has discussed with Bunnings doing a BBQ to raise funds for the P & F.

- Patrick to find pavers to be put into school.

Funds in Bank: $2,408.47

Meeting closed @ 8.30pm
Next meeting: 2 August 2016.