St. Benedict's P&F
Minutes of extraordinary meeting
Thursday 20th February, 2014

Welcome
AnnMaree

School Prayer
Previously said at AGM

Present
AnnMaree, Barry, Cassie, Shirley, Kirstin, Nicola, Joanne, Joanne, Jackie, Joanne, Louise, Phuong, Justine, Michael, Michael, Julia, Susan

New Business

Joanne reported that 2014 is Olga’s 20th year as St. Benedict’s crossing supervisor. Joanne is going to confirm this and the actual date of her commencement. It was agreed the school will invite Olga to assembly and a gift be presented to her on a corresponding date. A morning tea will also be organised for Olga after the assembly.

The Prep/buddy night will be held Friday 28th February. Thank you to those Grade 6 parents involved in organizing this event, particularly Cassie for sending out invitations and collecting money. A large number of Preps have not confirmed. Barry has agreed to ask Mrs. Shannon to remind parents at the Information night next week.

The School Family Picnic Night will be held Friday 21st March. Discussion was held to plan the entertainment. The entertainment must be age appropriate for a wide range of children. The idea of a movie night was popular but decided against due to cost and legalities and the difficulty finding a movie that children have not seen. AnnMaree had looked into a movie company that brought all own equipment with recent movies but cost was $1300. It was agreed this price was too high. The decision was made to hold a picnic night, BYO everything and provide children with an icypole and glow stick. A magician will be sourced by Jackie within the price range of $500. Cost will be covered by small payment per family, approximately $10.00, TBC. The night will commence at 6.00pm. Lights will be placed in school yard.

The 2013 first term picnic included the drawing of the Easter raffle. This was an extremely profitable raffle and a shame not to have again. It was discussed that the Family Picnic night was too early for Easter. It was decided a Mother’s Day and Father’s Day raffle, with a theme, (eg handyman hamper, bathroom hamper, gardening hamper) would be held this year, with P&F requesting donations from school families.

Barry will ask Karen D to organise the changing of P&F signatories. Barry, Karen, Shirley and Justine are already existing signatories. Jackie will be added as new Treasurer (replacing Cristina and Annmaree will be added as new President (replacing Sonia).

In regards to P&F correspondence, Shirley will speak to Daniel regarding P&F email account access and loading of minutes on the school website. Annmaree confirmed that minutes would be sent to all parents who attend or apologise for a P&F meeting. Other interested parents may access on school website.

It had been decided at the AGM that Social & Fund-raising would be split during 2014 due to the workload involved in co-ordinating a Fete. Positions still vacant following the AGM are Social Co-ordinator and Maintenance Co-ordinator. AnnMaree asked everyone to ask around for interest. Some names were suggested which AnnMaree will pursue. P&F reps will speak to parents about the vacant roles at the upcoming Parent Information Nights. If the roles have not been filled by mid-week, a notice will be placed in the School Newsletter.

Nicola and Jo requested that they may commence purchasing for the Mother’s day stall and all were in agreement. They have planned to recruit two new parents this year to work in a “buddy” system. They plan to step down from this task next year.

Barry discussed the school concert is October 29th this year and this is the reason that the First Communion was brought forward to August.
The Mother’s Day breakfast/morning tea was discussed. It was agreed this day was very successful last year thanks to all the hard work of Jason. The style of the day will be placed on the Agenda and discussed at the March meeting. It was requested that the Grade 6 students be involved this year.

**Next Meeting**

Monday 17th March
St. Benedict's Staff Room, 8pm