



# Padua College Parents and Friends

**Minutes of Meeting**  
**18<sup>th</sup> February 2020**

**Welcome** President Pascale Weir opened meeting at 7.03 pm  
**Apologies** Gina Pearce, Madonna Taylor

Peter Elmore opened with A Leader's Prayer

### **Acceptance of minutes of previous meeting**

Proposed: Adam Goddard

Seconded: Alecia Beyer

### **Action arising from previous minutes**

- Issue from last meeting of changed hat for Year 12 addressed by the Rector. Research resulted in little appetite, so issue will not be progressed at this stage.
- Request for more specific information in correspondence to parents and guardians to identify which son when more than one son in the family. Peter advised teachers have been trained and advised of the necessity of identifying which son is referred to in any communication.
- Pascale is still to arrange new badges for committee members.

### **Tabling of correspondence received**

As per agenda

### **Rector's report**

Attached

### **Treasurer's report**

Attached

### **Pastoral Care Report**

Attached

## **AGENDA ITEMS**

### 6.1. Calendar dates

Dates for P&F meetings to be confirmed (action item)

### 6.2. Parent engagement events 2020

Full set of engagement events arranged – dates to be confirmed (action item)

### 6.3. Welcome evening

This will be added to the 5 March Cam Adair Engagement Event (starting 5.30pm)

### 6.4. Dad's Day

A Dad's Day is being arranged by Aspley Hornets on 29 February. Fathers and old boys welcome

### 6.5. Entertainment Book

This is now fully digital and needs to be publicised fully

### 6.6. St Anthony P and F

New committee is very active and it is hoped that closer liaison can happen between our committees (and Mt Alvernia P&F as well)

## **General Business**

Peter provided an update on the negotiations with council regarding the quarry site. Appears unlikely to happen in 2020. Peter will keep the committee updated with communication to the wider community likely next term.

## **Action Items**

- Satchel for books (to stop misuse of computer bag) – Peter Elmore to report back next meeting
- Dates for P&F Meetings and Engagement Events to be agreed between Pascale and Peter and Barry these are to be uploaded to the website

Meeting closed: 8.15pm

Next Meeting 21 May 2020



## Rector's Report to the Parents and Friends' Meeting

February 2020

Prayer

*A Leader's Prayer*

*Leadership is hard to define.  
Lord, let us be the ones to define it with justice.  
Leadership is like a handful of water.  
Lord, let us be the people to share it with those who thirst.  
Leadership is not about watching and correcting.  
Lord, let us remember it is about listening and connecting.  
Leadership is not about telling people what to do.  
Lord, let us find out what people want.  
Leadership is less about the love of power,  
and more about the power of love.*

*Lord, as we continue to undertake the role of leader let us be  
affirmed by the servant leadership we witness in your son Jesus.  
Let us walk in the path He has set and let those who will, follow.*

*Let our greatest passion be compassion.  
Our greatest strength love.  
Our greatest victory the reward of peace.*

*In leading let us never fail to follow.  
In loving let us never fail.*

*St Clare - Pray for us  
St Anthony - Pray for us  
St Francis - Pray for us*

*Amen*

## 1. Welcome to new staff

This year we welcome to the College the following new staff. Some of these appointments are due to increasing enrolments as we welcome an additional class of Year 5, and like all schools around the State, we farewelled the smaller cohort of Year 12 students in 2019. Our new teaching staff for 2020 are:

Teaching Staff	Previous School
Mr Sam Sprenger	St Patrick's College Shorncliffe
Mr Anthony Graham	Stella Maris
Mr Sam Leadbetter	Graduate
Ms Maggie Wright	Graduate
Mr Brett Murphy	Graduate
Ms Zara Carnes	Iona College
Mr Adam Sammartino	Aquinas College

### We also welcome to the College the following Support Staff:

Ms Lynette Hardgreaves – School Officer Learning Support

Ms Julie Gibbons – School Officer Learning Support

Ms Kylie Fraser – School Officer – Library

Fr Joe McKay – Franciscan Friar

### The following staff have new Roles or undertaking higher duties in Acting Positions

Mr Paul Mansfield – Vice Rector Teaching and Learning – Replacing Jason Pacey – Term 1

Mr Paul Mead – Head of Senior School replacing Paul Mansfield – Term 1

Ms Rosanna Potter Learning Area Leader – English 10-12 Replacing Paul Mead- Term 1

Mrs Naomi Harney – Librarian – Both Campuses - New Role

Mr Duncan Beattie moving to Year 7 Core teacher on Assisi Campus – New Role

Rebecca Player moves from Learning Support to Classroom Teacher – Year 6

### Friars and Priests on Staff

This year we will have 4 Friars and an Archdiocesan Priest working at Padua in 2020.

Fr John, Fr Mario, Fr Joe are currently on staff. Fr Paul Rout will arrive in August and be on staff until the end of the year. Fr Dom Orih from Gympie has also asked to volunteer with Catholic Studies every Wednesday.

## **2. Annual Action Plan**

In line with the Strategic Plan, the College's Annual Action Plan for 2020 has been complete and approved by the College Board.

*A copy of our Annual Action Plan Infographic is attached -*

## **3. Enrolments**

The College began the school year with 1418 students (our highset ever enrolment). The increase in our enrolment is due to the graduation of the first group of compulsory Prep in Queensland (Year 12 2019 who were a half year intake) as well as the addition of another Year 5 class in primary.

## **4. Academic Outcomes 2019**

Academic results for Year 12 2019 were very positive. The results show the academic endeavours of staff and students and in particular, the great relationship that developed between teachers and the 2019 Year 12 cohort.

- **OP 1-5 = 25%** (2019 State Average 22.5 %)
- **OP 1-10 = 69%** (2019 State Average 54.9 %)
- **OP 1-15 = 93%** (2019 State Average 82.92%)
- **7 OP 1s – 10 %** (2019 State Average 2.85%)
- **QCE = 100%** (Queensland Certificate of Education State Average 94%)

Alongside our OP results, it is also most pleasing to see the number of VET Qualifications achieved by our boys. Last year we had a total of – 14 Certificate I, 29 Certificate II, 62 Certificate III and 39 Diplomas. We also had 12 boys undertake a school-based traineeship or apprenticeship.

These fine results, OP and Vocational Education, reflect the multiple pathways that are available to our boys in the senior curriculum.

I am also pleased to report that our College Dux and School Captain from 2019, William Barker, received an OP 1 that converted to an ATAR score of 99.95 – The new 'Top of the State Award'. This score placed William among the highest achieving students in the State.

We also had 5 boys achieve a Certificate of Academic Commendation from the QCAA for 6 VHA results across their senior subjects.

The Year 12 2019 results show the improvement in learning outcomes over the last few years. Our best results in each domain have been achieved in the last two years.

## **5. LEX Partnership**

We have been working in collaboration with Iona and St Laurence's Colleges in a partnership known as the Learning Exchange. This partnership is now entering year 3 and we have certainly benefited from this sharing of ideas and collaboration around learning.

The recent LEX Professional Learning Day on January 25 highlighted the strengths of the collaboration between the schools. The keynote presentation was on improving literacy – a common goal of all three colleges. A highlight from the staff feedback survey was the afternoon session where staff presented workshops on various aspects of each schools' education initiatives. Well done to the Padua College staff who presented – Chris O'Shea, Greg Lavey, Evie Skinner, Che Gaddes, Brendan Downes, Matt Hardy, Luke Emlyn Jones and Danny Jackson.

*A copy of the Professional Learning Day Flyer is attached.*

## **6. Holiday Building Program**

Over the holiday break, we completed the following building projects:

- Refurbishment and air-conditioning of Year 6 Classrooms on Greccio Campus including the renovation of the Greccio Hall
- Refurbishment of the Greccio Administration building
- Extension and redesign of Industrial Technology ground floor teaching spaces.

These refurbishments align with our strategic plan and the direction we are taking around pedagogy and student learning spaces.

In 2020, the College will be looking at the refurbishment and air-conditioning of some of the older classroom spaces on Assisi Campus. The design of these refurbishments will be made as we review our Middle Years educational program and pedagogy.



## 7. College Laptop Program

We have had a positive start to the rollout of our College Owned Device – Laptop Program. We have conducted two parent nights – Year 5 and Year 7, where we have provided parents with information around the program, examples of how technology supports learning as well as the instructions around the care and maintenance of the laptop. We have been clear that the laptop is to be used only for learning – no personal use or gaming. A winner with parents.

We have had positive feedback from families at these evenings around our decision to make this a College Program. Now the work begins around ensuring that our boys take good care of their device and it remains for school use only.

## **8. A New Year and New House Names**

We begin the year with new House names following communication to all families in 2019. Certainly, in the minds of the boys, this change was well underway before we began the school year. This was no doubt assisted by our distribution of House shirts in the final weeks of school in 2019. Additionally, we have replaced signs, banners and other symbols around the College over the holiday break.

This year we will be deepening the stories of the first followers of St Francis as we build the narratives around our new House names. This began with our Commissioning Mass and it continued with the first of our House Masses, Cattani House, on Thursday February 13. In this space, we also extended on the work that Fr John did in the formation of new House names by asking Fr John to write a concise account of the St Francis Story and the connection to first followers of St Francis. This has now been published.

In 2020 we plan to refurbish St Francis Hall and bring more of our College history into the room. This would include the installation of display cabinets and purchasing new furniture.

*A copy of the publication of St Francis and his first followers will be distributed at the P & F Meeting.*

## **9. Some happenings to note**

- Year 7 Camps underway - preparation for Year 5 camps in the next 2 weeks.
- Year 5 and 6 Parent Information Night – very positive feedback from parents and a conformation of our learning direction.
- Catholic Studies meeting with BCE in preparation for validation of our program.
- Commissioning of Leaders Mass and Sports Assembly for First Cricket, Volleyball and AFL completed in Week 1.
- Inaugural Eucharist – February 27
- House swimming carnivals – 5-8 Thursday February 20 and 9-12 Friday February 21.

# **PADUA PARENT PASTORAL CARE COMMITTEE**

## **REPORT FOR P&F MEETING**

**TO BE HELD ON 18<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY, 2020**

**CAMPUS:**       **ASSISI & GRECCIO**

**COORDINATOR:**       Sonia Yates

**FAMILY ASSISTANCE:**

Nothing to report

Social Co-Ordinators organised for all year levels, just waiting on Year 8's venue to be confirmed and Year 6's event, invites have been sent out to parents of year levels and will be put into newsletter plus created on year level facebook pages.

Please see on next page all of the social co-ordinators names, son's names and houses they are all in.

**SOCIAL EVENTS: (UPCOMING IN TERM 1)**

- Year 5 -           Year 5 Play in park at Kidspace, Chermside, Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> March at 10am
- Year 6 -           TBA
- Year 7 -                       Mums night out – Quincys, Grange, Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> March from 4pm
- Year 8 -           Family event at Golf Central, DFO – Date to be confirmed
- Year 9 -                       Parents night at The Albion Hotel, Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> March at 6pm
- Year 10 -           Parents night at The Albion Hotel, Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> March at 6.30pm
- Year 11 -           Parents night at El Camino, Chermside, Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> March at 7pm
- Year 12 -           Parents night at Sitar Indian Restaurant, Albion, Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> March at 6.30pm

Year 5 - Margaret Cunningham  
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House: Leo  
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Lauren Sanson  
Son: Lucca Sanson  
House: Rufino  
Email: [Lauren.sanson@outlook.com](mailto:Lauren.sanson@outlook.com)

Year 6 - Jayne Steer  
Son: Danny Costello  
House: Maseo  
Email: [jsgc@tpgcom.au](mailto:jsgc@tpgcom.au)

Year 7 - Anita Lamb-Nicholls  
Son: Mackie Lamb-Nicholls  
House: Maseo  
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Year 8 - Donna DiSanto  
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Year 10 - Vien Toohey  
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Year 11 - Linda Fluroyella  
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