

# Mercy Catholic College Parents and Friends Association

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## Meeting Minutes 21<sup>st</sup> October 2015

**Meeting open:** 7.05 pm

Attendees: Lee Sternberg, President (Yr 10), Suzanne K, Liz K, Derek W (Yr 7), Catherine W (Yr 7), Carmel D (Yr 10, 8), Annaliza O, Treasurer (Yr 10), Trish De Pomeroy, Secretary (Yr 10.),

1. **Welcome from President and School Principal**
2. **Meeting opening prayer**
3. **Apologies** – Phillipa S.
4. **Confirmation of Minutes of previous meeting minutes**
  - a. **Proposed** – Lee S
  - b. **Seconded** – Carmel D
5. **Business arising**
  - a. Invites to the cocktail party, 11<sup>th</sup> March 2016 have been included in the new Year 7 welcome packs
  - b. Catherine W has booked the Willoughby hotel, 19<sup>th</sup> November for a parent get together, all parents invited, \$7.50 per head.
6. **Principal's Report/ Vice Principal's report**
  - a. **HSC is happening at the moment.** Exams are being held across the road in the demountable classrooms, which is working well. Feedback from girls regarding the papers is generally positive and seem to be going well.
  - b. **Chrome books** – Yr 10 (2016) being rolled out in November 2015. An information night for parents will be held in November and training will be provided for students. Training for teachers is underway.
  - c. **Yr 7 2016** will receive their Chrome books in the first week & a parent information night will be provided, then training provided for the students.
  - d. **New position created for next year:** Director of Student Welfare. This is an extension of the pastoral care - a whole school approach to support emotional and academic wellbeing. This role will work with the year coordinators to look at the overarching pastoral care structures, considering the suitability of programs like mindfulness, Mind matters, overseeing learning support plans for students with mental health needs, programs / information nights for parents etc
  - e. **Volunteer cocktail party** 25<sup>th</sup> November 2015.
  - f. **Naplan results** – pleased with these, Mercy is well above average.
7. **President's report**
  - a. Apparently some invoices to reimburse the canteen haven't been paid. These seem to have gone missing so Lee is following up with Louise T.

**8. Treasurer's report**

- a. **Balance** is approximately \$ 6,000
- b. **Payments yet to be made:** include the above invoices, end of year prizes from P&F , Yr 7 welcome night (Friday 13<sup>th</sup> November 2015).

**9. General business**

- a. Classes cease on 11<sup>th</sup> December 2016.
- b. Students return 28<sup>th</sup> (Yr 7) and whole school 29<sup>th</sup> January

**Meeting close:** 7:30 pm

**Next meeting:** 17 February 2016