

Minutes of General Meeting

Date	Tuesday 25 th July 2017	Time	6.30pm
Place	St Paul's School Tooth Centre		

Minutes

- **Welcome and Opening Prayer:** Gerard Yorston opened the meeting at 6.30pm with an opening prayer and welcomed all attendees.
- **President's Comments:** Gerard Yorston thanked everyone for attending and also expressed his thanks for continued support.
- **Attendance and Apologies:**
Attendees: Dr Paul Browning, Gerard Yorston, Andrew Thomas, Sandra Stanley, Metilda Trench, Cindy Stelzner, Alan Deacon, Lorelle Malyon (proxy for David Fagan), Peter Deane, Suellen Rush, Sarah Slade, Kim Kuenstner, Karen Mellor, Dale Roche, Viki Jankovic. **Apologies:** Danielle Page, Melissa Liessi, Tracy Dare
Headmaster's Report: Dr Browning stated that this term is proving to be a busy term with many events to take place, for example, the RSG dinner and the 2017 Fair. He expressed his thanks to everyone for their contributions.
- **Confirmation of Minutes from previous meeting:** 23rd May 2017 Moved: Suellen Rush; Seconded: Sandra Stanley
- **Business or Actions arising from previous minutes/meeting:** Refer to the action table below.
- **Correspondence:** Tabled – refer to Correspondence table below
- **Supporter Group Reports:** As circulated and set out at the end of the minutes

Cadets	Netball
Cricket	Rugby
Football	Swimming
Hockey	Tennis
JSSG	Touch Football
Music	Volleyball

Short update by each Supporter Group:

Touch Football – Gerard Yorston stated that Touch Football SG is open to working with the other Term 3 Supporter Groups (Football and Volleyball) to create cohesion on Blue Day (2 September 2017). A logo has been put together (puma head), which, under Dylan Malloch's guidance, could potentially be used by entire school. Gerard will send an email out to SG Presidents with more information. Terms and Conditions regarding logo's usage and copyright issues will be explained in this email.

Rugby – Andrew Thomas stated that the RSG will be hosting their annual Dinner on 29 July 2017. Andrew stated that it has come to his attention that there is a belief amongst other Supporter Groups/sporting codes that rugby and/or the RSG is perceived to enjoy unfair advantage at the school. Andrew stated that this is untrue, as St Paul's School approves everything the RSG undertakes. He stated that even though the RSG has a big pool of people to draw on (ie. many players and their parents), the RSG, none the less, has many fixed commitments every year which they have to spend money on. For example, coaching fees, training shirts, annual Rugby Dinner, etc.

Andrew stated that the RSG has introduced sponsorship for the First XV jumpers (approved by the School).

Andrew stated that, in general, each player plays the game of rugby well through good coaching and development opportunities. The RSG raised money through: 4 Sports Canteen opportunities, a Holt Bolt function, State Cross Country Championships, Monster Raffle and general fundraising.

Andrew reiterated that anyone is welcome at the RSG monthly meetings. They are welcome to let him know if there is anything the RSG can improve on.

Andrew stated that the RSG is transparent in everything they undertake and stated that all outlays are in RSG Treasury Reports.

Andrew declared that St Paul's School is one of the leading schools in rugby this year.

Gerard Yorston stated that he has an appreciation of how much the RSG has to do from year to year. He encouraged those present to ask if they are in need of anymore information.

Volleyball – Lorelle Malyon stated that teams did well at their first games of the season. VSG have worked with Tim Hughes and Miss Hancock to order blue shirts for Blue Day on 2 September 2017. First time this has been done. Lorelle also stated that the Melbourne tour in December is more like a competition and everyone is working towards that at the moment with expressions of interest going out.

Hockey – Suellen Rush stated that the JTAS players will have their Development Day this term.

Cricket – Alan Deacon announced that Cricket sign on is up and running until August. 2018 Cricket Tour is still going ahead and all preparations are on track.

- Tennis – good performance overall. Busy term, with a successful boys TAS tennis team. JTAS next term.

Football – Peter Deane stated that Football had a good start to the term with Saturday 22 July 2017 being the first match of the season. Playing shirts were organised by the Football SG and were issued to the players. Peter stated that the Canteen on Saturday 22nd proved to be a somewhat quiet day. Peter stated that Bryson Stansfield puts the Newsletter out and distributes information very efficiently. There are now 8 schools participating in TAS. Peter enquired as to when St Paul's would be informed as to where the finals would be held this year. Dr Browning stated that we would be informed quite late in the season. Peter stated that the electrical problem (appliances overloading system and tripping electricity off) in the canteen is somewhat troublesome.

Bryson Stansfield is heading up the Tour to New Zealand, all is on track and progressing well.

Music – Karen stated that is has been a quiet term from a fundraising point of view. Several bands will perform in Queen Street Mall this term. A Junior Ensembles concert to take place in September and Senior Ensembles in October.

JSSG – Viki Jankovic stated that Rag Tagd is now up and running in Junior School. Money is currently being saved in order to purchase air conditioners for the Junior School. Dale Roche advised Viki that he may be of assistance in purchasing the air conditioners as he has a connection with Fugitsu. CPL is also up and running.

- **Treasurer's Report: (as circulated)** Sandra Stanley stated that the Cross Country carnival (held over 3 days) was a great success. Thank you to Samantha Gray for organising the running of the Sports Canteen over these 3 days. Sandra stated that a good profit was made so far, more funds to come in. Sandra reiterated that the May Treasurer's Report was circulated via email as was the June Report. All should be in possession of these reports. Profits from the Pink Day fund raising went to breast cancer charities. Sandra stated that Coffee Royal is up to date with paying their commissions over. These commissions are divided equally, 3 ways to the 3 sports per term. Sandra once again reiterated that there are unallocated funds ("Agent Credit 1") in miscellaneous account. It is still unknown as to who these funds belong to. Sandra handed out new NAB lodgement books (credit books) to each Supporter Group. Sandra stated that from her perspective the only outstanding item in Report are "Bribery Island Triathlon" Funds with regard to Netball Supporter Group. Sandra is currently working on that. Gerard stated that he appreciates the way in which Sandra documents and presents her Treasury Reports. Gerard stated that the Association makes their financial details available, and any feedback would be appreciated. Karen Mellor enquired as to whether the Supporter Groups would receive their grants this year. Sandra assured her that these grants will be paid at the end of the year to those qualifying groups. Moved: Sandra Stanley, Seconded: Peter Deane

- **Special Business:**

Sports Canteen – stainless steel preparation table – This table is needed in the Sports Canteen in order for volunteers to prepare food efficiently. Andrew Thomas stated that he would endeavour to source this table. Dale Roche offered his help in this regard, if needed.

PEC Storage for Supporter Groups – Gerard stated that JSSG raised security concerns regarding this storage facility. The Walker Centre storage facility could potentially have security concerns. Dannielle put forward to Gerard that JSSG would like some sort of secure lockable cage to store their belongings in. Gerard stated that he would discuss the concept of secure cages with Charles Sweeney.

Driveway – student carpark entrance off Attunga Street. Peter Deane enquired as to whether the potholes in this driveway could be fixed, as well as the considerable "drop-off" at the gate which creates somewhat of a bump in the road. Dr Browning state that he would discuss this problem with Charles Sweeney (Maintenance).

Rag Tagd (electronic garment tag) – Gerard stated that Danielle Page took Rag Tagd concept to the JSSG Committee. It was implemented in Junior School and is now up and running.

- **General Business**

2017 Fair- Sarah Slade thanked the hardworking Fair Committee.

Fair update- Raffle sales very successful. Good response to sponsorships – more trickling in. Site map will be available on the day. Everything now coming together, website, banners etc. Will be a great day, interesting mix with an international feel. There is no stage as undercover area will be utilized.

Gerard Yorston attended a Fair Committee Meeting and stated that he is satisfied with the Fair Committee's progress. No money to be paid upfront to ride operators or to stall operators.

Sarah stated that volunteers will be needed on the day. Gerard suggested that perhaps the SPSSA could provide volunteers for the set up in the morning and dismantling in the evening. Volunteers as carpark attendants will also be needed.

Gerard stated that he was concerned about insurance in connection with the Fair, however, given the reduced risk involved this year, the decision about insurance could be left undecided until about 3 weeks out from Fair. The insurance in question is in regard to the unlikely event of the Fair being cancelled. St Paul's School already holds Public Liability Insurance.

Gerard will be attending the next Fair Meeting on 26 July 2017.

Flexischools – Peter Deane stated that by the end of the year Maree Deane will no longer be the Flexischools liaison person. Alan Deacon suggested that a school staff member might be better suited to take on this role rather than a parent on a volunteer basis. It becomes difficult to find a different volunteer on a regular basis to undertake this mammoth task. Dr Browning stated that he would discuss this with Chris Sweeney (member of staff) and requested that Maree Deane send him an email with the relevant documentation.

Treasurer Sandra Stanley noted that the JSSG are paying a subscription for a CPL Forum named “mailchimp”. Sandra asked Viki Jankovic to request her committee to cancel this subscription as JSSG no longer use this forum.

School electronic sign main entrance – Dale Roche enquired as to whether this sign could be used for advertising, Gerard stated that Dale should speak to Dylan Malloch about his request as there are already some plans in the works.

Blue Day Raffle – Peter Deane enquired as to whether there would be a Blue Day Raffle this term. Gerard stated that this raffle would be held over until term 4 because of the Fair raffle this term.

Blue Day socks – Lorelle stated that the VSG would like to purchase socks for volleyball players this year.

School bus - Suellen Rush enquired as to whether the school bus could be used to get students to sport venues on Saturday mornings as not all parents are able to transport their children on these mornings. Andrew Thomas stated that there would probably be rules and regulations as to how many hours the bus driver would have to be on duty to wait for all students to finish their games in order to be driven back to St Paul's School. The other question would be: who would be responsible for these students on that day, making sure they all find their way back on the bus and safely to Bald Hills. Dr Browning stated that the question of using the school bus on Saturday mornings has crossed his mind, however, it wouldn't be viable at the moment and there are also costs involved. It was stated that “car-pooling” amongst parents takes place on Saturday mornings to sporting venues.

Holt Bolt event – Alan Deacon enquired as to how many participants are expected at the Holt bolt event on 10 September 2017 as CSG will be running the sports canteen on that day. Sandra advised Alan to contact Ash at Holt Bolt. Ash would be able to answer Alan's questions.

Group emails – Gerard Yorston stated that if anyone was still having problems with their SG emails they are to let him know in order for him to rectify any problems.

Fundraising – Gerard stated that one of the main topics discussed at the Executive Meetings is on the subject of fundraising. He stated that funds will be distributed to the Supporter Groups fairly. Gerard also indicated that the Executive Committee had made a decision to disperse a portion (yet to be decided) of profit from the State Cross Country to participating Supporters Groups

- **Applications for membership and recording of new members:** no applications on the night
- **Next Meeting:** Tuesday, 22nd August 2017
- **Meeting Closed:** Meeting closed by Gerard Yorston at 8.10pm

ACTION ITEMS

Action	Description	Action by Whom	Due Date
Potholes	Potholes, driveway-student carpark entrance, Attunga Street. Dr Browning will speak to Charles Sweeney about it	Dr Browning & Charles Sweeney	ongoing
Prep table-Sports Canteen	Sports Canteen in need of stainless steel preparation table. Andrew Thomas will endeavour to source a table	Andrew Thomas	ongoing
Secure storage cages	Gerard Yorston will discuss with Charles Sweeney re: secure lockable storage cages in Walker Centre storage area	Gerard Yorston	ongoing
School Bus for Sports	Question was raised about availability of school bus for away games – Saturday sports. Dr Browning will look into possibilities and advise	Dr Browning	Next meeting
Flexischools Admin	Work required to maintain FlexiSchools has been identified as potentially unreasonable for a volunteer. Dr Browning to investigate potential for school staff to absorb after Maree provides a summary of duties	Dr Browning/Maree Deane	17 Oct 2017

FUNDING APPROVALS FOR THE YEAR TO DATE

Amount	Description
\$12000	12 x \$1000 Supporter Group Association funding payments
\$6000	12 x \$500 Governance Bonus payment December 2017 for eligible Supporter Groups only
TBA	Dorelle to undertake some administration duties
\$11554.80	Sports Canteen Cooktop and Oven
\$132.50	Colour Run Donation
\$590	Sports Canteen chip fryer

SUPPORTER GROUP REPORTS – JULY 2017

Rugby Supporters' Group

The year has moved too quickly. We didn't really have time to savour what was a very successful 2017 Rugby season.

1st XV Premiers

2nd XV Third

Year 10 Third

Year 9 Third

Year 8 Sixth

Year 7 Second

Our overall TAS Rugby result was 2nd place over all Schools. There has been an enormous amount of work done on and off the field.

Again our JTAS teams have been impressive. The Year 5 side remained undefeated this season, which is a super achievement. The overall skill level was at a very high standard with a reliance on team play rather than one or two good players. All bodes well for the future of Rugby at the School. Firstly, I want to thank Mr Mac who five years ago wanted to improve the standard of Rugby at the School. All our teams have improved to the point that our Rugby Program now is what all other TAS Schools are aiming for.

Thanks to all the RSG and supporters for their endless help. Our game day experience is one to savour with the crowds at home games the most I have seen at TAS School Boy Rugby.

Thanks to our sponsors whom have helped to enable us to keep improving our Rugby Program.

Hopefully we have a product worthy of your continued support.

Finally to all the Boys who played Rugby this year. WELL DONE. You have been part of a bookmark chapter in the history of the School.

Please join us to celebrate the 2017 Rugby season at the RSG

Annual Rugby Dinner

Get your tickets through Flexi Schools

RSG President

Andrew Thomas. AT

Tennis Supporters' Group

- Extremely busy term
- Highly successful boys Tennis TAS Tennis – 3 x runner ups, and 3 x 3rd placings
- Massive thank you to all members that helped out on home games BBQ, Met North Cross country canteen and State Cross country Canteen
- Thank you to Sandra (Rugby) for coordinating raffle (successful for all groups involved)
- Wimbledon Day 30/07/17 – afternoon of social tennis, sausage sizzle and strawberries and cream
- Thank you to Julie Deacon for organising TSG Banner
Kym Kuenstner
President TSG

Netball Supporters' Group

The netball season has come to an end and the break up dinner was held on 14th July in celebration. We had fantastic numbers- about 170 people in total. We also had 2 premiership teams 7B and 7C this year with a number of teams coming in second and third. Now it is it time to look forward to next season. We have our AGM in October and then a netball tour in April next year to fundraise for.

Melissa Liessi

NSG President

Music Supporters' Group

General Meeting held 5th June 2017

Music in the Park was held on Sunday 28th May. This included performances by all bands, ensembles and choirs. MSG raised over \$2000 with food stalls, cake stall, jumping castle and face painting.

A successful Strings Tour to Bundaberg took place in June. The ensemble played at two schools and an aged care centre. The group also enjoyed a tour of the Bundaberg Barrel and sampling the ginger beer. MSG donated funds towards meals and the cost of coach hire for the tour.

The Solo Competition culminated with the final round taking place in Sandgate Town Hall on 15th June. Standards were extremely high and the adjudicator had a difficult decision. MSG donated iTunes gift cards as prizes for the winners in Middle and Senior sections.

This term several bands will perform in Queen St Mall as part of the Brisbane Big Bands Festival. Big Band will take part in the Essentially Ellington Festival at Marist College and there will be a Junior Ensembles Concert on Sunday 10th September.

Karen Mellor

MSG President

Next meeting Monday 7th August 2017

Junior School Supporters' Group

Our last two meetings we have really focused our discussions on reconnecting with the JS community. We feel that this is the most important avenue to focus on as it needs rebuilding. There is a lot of Term 3 (post fair) and Term 4 activities planned for the JS, such as our Disco Skating Night, the FOC Dance at the end of morphing week, camping is being planned and a movie night is still in the works. We have decided that we are going to forego our Term 3 carpark raffle, as we feel there is too much going on with the fair. There will be a teatowel fundraiser in Term 4.

Apart from events/activities we are also focusing community projects which could engage all year levels of the JS during break-times, such as a mural, or art project which would be focused, or based, around the 5 learning realms. This would encourage involvement, positivity and would fit in with the cross-year level structure of the new houses groups. Hopefully once the necessary parties have been spoken to and it's decided, agreed, and planned, this can be an ongoing activity. Once completed, we would like the artworks to be displayed on the blank walls of the JS buildings, or depending on the works in the gardenbeds that do not grow due to sun exposure, offering more of an insight into learning and making it more engaging for parents, also more inviting and colourful for visitors/future parents.

To continue with this theme, we have received feedback from teachers etc, that children are struggling with the concept of money. To help with this understanding, with the help of Justin Hill, we are going to be building a stall, which at this stage will be set-up once a term (for now) whereby children can sell and buy homebaked goods or toys. Students will use real money, and nothing will be an even number. This will also prepare students when they need to venture to the daunting tuckshop.

We are also introducing the Commonwealth Bank Dollarmites School Banking program Pre-Prep-6 as this provides a fun, interactive and engaging way for our students to learn about money and develop good saving habits. This will start after the fair. This is on a 12 month trial.

There is a lot going on in the JS! If you've got some free time, or you can offer any assistance, please let me know.

Thanks,

Danielle Page

President

Hockey Supporters' Group

The 2017 season wrapped up with a great breakfast catered by nibble gobble munch at Brendale.

A big thank you to all the coaches, umpires and parents that assisted the girls to have a great season.

The hockey supporters group along with the tennis supporters ran the canteen at the met north cross country day. It was a great day and good fund raiser for both groups. We are currently deciding on what we should spend the money on to give the girls some more opportunities in hockey.

Suellen Rush
President HSG

Cricket Supporters' Group

St Paul's cricketers will again be taking to the field in the Brisbane North Junior Cricket Association (BNJCA) competition commencing 7 October 2017. This will be St Paul's 13th straight season playing in the competition. The BNJCA is one of the most popular junior cricket competitions in Queensland so check it out at www.bnjca.org.au.

All St Paul's teams played some good cricket last season and recorded some great performances. The emphasis continues to be on our children having fun, learning skills and playing cricket with their mates.

The cricket teams are administered by the Cricket Supporters Group (CSG) and **rely on parents for coaching, umpiring and scoring**. We are grateful to the School and grounds staff for the upkeep of fields & the supply of equipment.

Sign on for the 2017/18 season commences on **1 August 2017 and ends 31 August 2017**. Players can sign on at www.flexischools.com.au or by completing registration forms which are available from the CSG by email from jajs11@bigpond.net.au.

For Year 1's & 2's two half seasons of cricket are played from October through to March each Saturday morning. For Year 3's and up the competition is half season till early December so players are available for their TAS and JTAS teams in the first term of 2018.

We understand nothing beats playing with your mates and we will do our very best to form teams. If teams cannot be formed in particular age groups at St Paul's we will organise with other local Clubs to ensure the game of cricket is played by all.

Go the Red (or is it Pink now)!

Alan Deacon
President