

**Minutes of the Annual General Meeting
Of the Netball Supporters' Group
Held in Wildfire Court at 7pm on Monday, 24 October 2011**

Present: Wendy Charlton, Marianne Connolly, Rowena Harle, Jillian Hermann, Claire Jackson, Debbie Lever, Trina Pickens, Mick Skinner, Judy Watts, Chrissie Whyte.

Apologies: Sarah Gordon, Ian Grant, Karen Gregory, Justin Hill, Tim Hughes, Natasha Keir, Michelle Miers, Silvana Nairn.

1. **Welcome** – Claire welcomed all to the 2011 AGM at 7.16pm and thanked Debbie for her hospitality.
2. **Acceptance of minutes** of AGM 2010 proposed Marianne Connolly seconded Rowena Harle.
3. **Head of Netball report** presented by Rowena Harle

2011 finished as a very exciting year for netball at St Paul's School. Many events took place through the season that showed the dedication of the players, coaches, and supporters'. 2011 saw an increase in numbers, resulting in the highest number of teams in many years. Continuing on with the "no cut" policy introduced in 2010, we saw three (3) year 7, 8, 9 & 10 teams entered in the competition.

Mrs Dorothy Skinner continued as the Junior TAS Netball Coordinator, and I was appointed the Head of Netball for 2011, a position that I have enjoyed greatly. Thank you to Dorothy for continuing in the coordinators role as this meant more attention could be devoted to the younger players. The Netball Supporters' Group again continued with fund raising events throughout the season and funding the preseason netball development day. All players and parents have benefited from the effort and enthusiasm of the supporter group and it has made the season more valuable.

This year we had such a wonderful cohort of girls playing netball and all teams have had a great year, whether through fun or success.

- *All Junior TAS teams played weekly games at Cannon Hill Netball Association. Although not always successful, the students had an enjoyable season. We took part in two invitational carnivals, St Andrew's Anglican College and Toowoomba Preparatory School. Unfortunately, we were not successful on both occasions; however, the girls/boys got to enjoy playing against top level teams. The Junior TAS competition concluded with the Year 4 Netta Netball carnival. The girls had an enjoyable weekend and enjoyed their first season of netball.*
- *The year 8 netball teams have had a wonderful year. Although not always successful, along with their coaches, saw out a fun season. Each team had unmeasurable spirit each week and grew in leaps and bounds.*
- *The year 9 teams continued on from a successful season in 2010 with the year 9B and 9C teams making the finals for the blue and red TAS divisions. We the guidance of their coaches, we saw pleasing results all round. Congratulations to the year 9B team and coach Erica Trudgian who finished the season as premiers.*
- *The year 10 teams were successful in many games and finished the season pleasingly with the support of their coaches.*

- *The Open Teams had a wonderful season and for many it will be the last time they play netball for St Paul's School. It can be said that it was a "development" year with many new players joining netball at St Paul's. All players did a wonderful job and learnt many new skills from their coaches. All three teams finished the season pleasingly.*

Again in 2011, we entered a team in the Vicki Wilson Cup (combination of players from year 9A, Open B & Open A). We finished 5th in the competition, missing out on the opportunity to play in the finals playoffs. The girls were challenged on all occasions by strong opposing schools, but showed true spirit and not letting their game falter.

For the third year running, we will be entering teams in the Mission Firebirds Cup. This year we will be entering two teams in the competition.

Looking to the future, planning has begun for a 2012 netball tour to New Zealand. Fund-raising opportunities are being secured and numbers are looking positive.

I would like to thank the Netball Supporters' Group for their continual support. The end of the 2011 season will see the departure of three (3) very lovely mothers' who have given up their time at St Paul's for the future of netball. Thank you to the coaches who have provided such wonderful support for the girls/boys each week. To the Parent Team Coordinators (PTC) thank you for keeping the communication in netball strong.

It has been a great year all round and I have enjoyed my year in the position as Head of Netball. I am looking forward at moving into 2012 in this role for the second year and with a wonderful support team behind me. 2011 has been a very successful year with 2012 and looking to be as successful.

4. President's report presented by Claire Jackson.

After 9 years with NSG I bow out, having enjoyed my time and thankful for the new friends I have made through the group. Thank you to staff, students, parents and students for your fantastic support during the year, whether that be as a competitor, coach, umpire, team manager or supporter. 2011 was great. NSG members have supported more than 160 players with activities such as the holiday clinic, the joint RSG/NSG BBQ, the UK school visit, home game activities, break up and extra games for Vicki Wilson, Firebirds and invitation carnivals.

It is tough times ahead for all voluntary organisations. NSG is an active group with great members and while the loss of the Connolly & Herman families will be felt, I am confident under the strong leadership of Debbie & Rowena, the group will succeed in its mission, to develop netball in all ages. A SG should not just support the best players, but all players to do their best. While much has changed since I saw the year 4 netballers arrive at their Netta Netta carnival with no training, there is room to build further. How great will it be if all ages of SPS students get a chance to play netball for fun? Success of NSG will be marked by not only by getting even more students to try netball, but that many continue post school, when it is not so easy but just as rewarding to play. It has been an honour to lead NSG for the last 2 years; it is a fantastic SG, a great contributor to the SPS community and you should all be proud to be part of it. I wish you the best for all future endeavours.

5. **Treasurer's report** –tabled by Natasha Keir, presented by Debbie Lever in her absence.

St Paul's School
Netball Supporters Group

Income & Expenditure
23/10/2011

Opening Balance 2 August 11)		\$6,152.94
 Income		
	Boost Juice	\$100.00
	Coffee Royale	\$240.43
	Total	\$340.43
 Expenditure		
	Bib's deposit	\$312.40
	Break-up breakfast	\$514.87
	Gift outgoing president	\$79.45
	Netball medals	\$202.50
	Total	\$1,109.22

Above is the final balance for 2011 Netball Supporter's Group. At the commencement of the year we had an opening balance of \$4117.78 and at the close of the year the balance is \$4615.55 leaving a small profit of \$497.77.

This year we supported our netballers within the school by:

- *Providing medallions to the Yr 12 and 7's and the 2011 Premiership team 9B.*
- *Netball Holiday Camp during the Easter Holidays*
- *Purchase of 14 sets of Bibs for Yrs 8-12 for the 2012 TAS netball season*

As with previous years the NSG will pay for the Celebration of Achievement awards for netball. These funds have been allocated from the 2011 budget, but will appear in next years' budget.

We had great success with fundraising from the Donut drive, carwash and proceeds from both Boost Juice and Coffee Royale. Thank you to Marianne Connolly for coordinating the donut drive and Chrissie Whyte for your efforts in coordinating the vans at the home games.

I would like to acknowledge the JSSG for providing funds for outside coaches for the pre season development of the Junior TAS teams. I would also like to acknowledge Tim

Hughes for allocation of funds for coaches on Development Day and for his continued support of outside coaches for the middle and senior school netball teams.

Thank-you to Rowena, Claire and fellow committee members for helping me with the role of Treasurer during my first year. I would like to thank all of you for your fundraising efforts (as well as giving me those receipts) and look forward to a successful 2012 season with the NSG.

Claire proposed that the report be accepted. 2nd: Debbie Lever.

6. Positions Declared Vacant – Claire declared all current committee positions Vacant. Rowena Harle took over the Chair of the Meeting.

2011 Committee Positions -

President – Debbie Lever nominated Claire Jackson; 2nd Wendy Charlton – all in favour

Vice President – no nomination; held over

Secretary – Mick Skinner nominated Claire Jackson; 2nd Wendy Charlton

Assistant Secretary – no nominations; Mick to look at succession planning

Treasurer - Natasha Keir nominated Claire Jackson; 2nd Debbie Lever

Zone Editor – Silvana Nairn nominated Debbie Lever ; 2nd Claire Jackson

Booklet producer- Rowena Harle- nominated Debbie Lever ; 2nd Wendy Charlton

PTC coordinator- Sarah Gordon- nominated Debbie Lever ; 2nd Marianne Connolly

Data Base Keeper- Anne Bell- nominated Claire Jackson; 2nd Debbie Lever

Committee Members - Wendy Charlton, Trina Pickens, Chrissie Whyte; nominated Debbie Lever ; 2nd Claire Jackson

The possibility of Ian Grant, Karen Gregory and Debbie Lansdown joining the committee to be explored prior to next general meeting on 20 February 2012.

Claire thanked everyone for their attendance and wished the new committee all the best for 2011.

The AGM closed at 7.25pm.

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