Parish Council MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday 1 February 2022 7.30 pm

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| **ITEM** | **ACTION** |
| **1. Welcome and opening prayer:** |  |
| Opening prayer by Fr. Peter | No action required |
| **2. Attendance / Apologies:** |  |
|  Present: David Hair, Debra Galofaro, Fr. Peter, Jennifer Cheal, Therese Pacey, Anne Coffey, Ray Choi, Barbara Howard, Amanda Gardiner Apologies: Renata Popovic-Tomac | No action required |
| **3. Introduction and Welcome:** |  |
| Welcome to:* Barbara Howard, Pastoral Associate
* Amanda Gardiner, Family Educator

Resignations:* Nicola Connors has left the Parish taking up a new role in Orange
* Tino Mian resigned

We thank them for their work on the committee. | No action required |
| **4/5. Release Parish Council positions and elect new positions:** |  |
| Council positions formally released.Election of Office Bearers:* Chairperson: David Hair
* Secretary: Therese Pacey
 | No action required |
| **6. Minutes of the previous meeting to be moved:** |  |
| Accepted | No action required |
| **7. Review of sub-committees**  |  |
| Due to Covid many of the sub-committees have not met for a long time. It was also noted that there is some cross-over between sub-committees.It was proposed that a review of the sub-committees and their purpose might be in order.Discussion at previous PC meetings suggested a need to better engage with the community possibly through online and social media channels. A plan to discuss this in more detail is already proposed. Recommend this sub-committees be discussed in the upcoming Strategic Planning workshop. | All |
| 1. **Business arising from previous meeting:**
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| **Strategic Planning Day** – Need to set a day/time to meet. A poll to determine the most agreeable option will be sent.Jennifer will arrange a date from the poll results and advise. The previous material regarding the website and social media review will be resent. | Jennifer Cheal |
| **9. School report**  |  |
| **Delivered by** **Debra Galafaro:*** School has started back and all is going well. We have a great Team.
* Covid testing has resulted in a few cases detected. Classes remain in their cohorts so no mixing or school-wide events. School continues to be guided by Covid rules.
* A new language, Italian, has been introduced.
* The Sports Teacher, Anna Turnbull, is returning.
* 29 new Kindergarten and 2 Year 5 students joined the school bringing the total number of students to 197.
* Planning for the Open Day in March. Will be held with modifications.
* & is closely following restrictions.
* School play equipment was removed to install a demountable for the AMADEUS program. There is a delay in setting up the new equipment.
* AMADEUS music program is for Years 3 to 6 and is run during school hours. Equipment hire is added to school fees. A band will be formed from interested students.
 | No action required |
| **10. Parish sub-committee updates**  |  |
| **Social Committee - Nil****Social Justice*** Hoping to recommence meetings. Will put notices in the Parish Bulletin.

**Liturgy** * Barbara has created a Reading roster for Masses and proposes to send it out for comment.
* David has a list of people that previously read at Masses. Will send to Barbara

**Communications** * Podcast will resume this week after holidays. Ray has volunteered to backup Jennifer in recording.
* Still no response from Website Hosts after two emails.
 |  David BarbaraDavidJennifer/Ray  |
| **8. New Items**  |  |
| * Dates to be finalised for this year’s sacramental Program. Please advise any clash of dates to Olga or Ann.
* Staff at the school completed an online Cultural Competency Course which was very good.
* Fr Peter completed a 12 week online Evangelisation course which was really useful.
* The idea of corporate sponsorship was raised. St Fiacre’s has sponsors and are advertised in their weekly bulletin. Could we consider something like that?
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| **Next meeting**: 15 March 2022 |  |

**Meetings Dates for 2022:**

* ~~1 February~~
* 15 March
* 26 April (TBC)
* 7 June
* 19 July
* 30 August
* 11 October
* 22 November