

## Holy Rosary School- School Advisory Council

### Minutes: Thursday 27 February, 2025

<b>Meeting title</b>	School Advisory Council meeting
<b>Date and time</b>	Thursday 27 February 6:30 pm - 8.30pm
<b>Location</b>	Holy Rosary Staff Room
<b>Attendees</b>	<a href="#">Christine Shaw</a> (CS) <a href="#">Laura Cochrane</a> (LC) Maria Sedunary (MS) Damien Murray (DM) Shelagh Doyle (SD) Chris Church (CC) Father Thung Vu (TV) Kate Meehan (KM) Brad Pingle (BP) <a href="#">Eshan Sachin Arya</a> (ESA)
<b>Apologies</b>	Pilar Abou Haila (PAH) Rachel Luong (RL)

### Agenda

Item	Timing	Description	Lead
1	6.30pm (5 mins)	<a href="#">Welcome, prayer, Acknowledgment of Country and declarations</a> Prayer Acknowledgement of country	MS
2	6.35pm (20 mins)	<a href="#">Membership</a> Outgoing members were thanked for their service and new members were welcomed. Appointment of Chair & Secretary will be conducted at the next meeting so new members can see what the positions involve.	LC
3	6.55pm (10 mins)	<a href="#">Minutes &amp; Actions</a> Confirmed previous minutes Reviewed Action Items	LC
4	7.05pm (10 mins)	<a href="#">Parish Priest Report</a> Moved to Northern region for MACS. Successful celebration of Reconciliation occurred during the past week. Easter liturgy schedule has been placed on a billboard outside the Church. Partnered parishes are transitioning to a single Parish this year. This will not have an impact on the schools. St Brendan's and Holy Rosary will continue as separate schools	TV

5	7.15pm (20 mins)	<p><a href="#">Principal's update, including</a></p> <p>Events</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Reconciliation was a success</li> <li>- Athletics Day. Staff pulled together to make a smooth running day. Great support from parent helpers. Student leaders were exceptional - great spirit and passion. Additional support from students from Simonds and The Academy - first time this had occurred and a positive experience.</li> <li>- New date for photos due to parent requests: now 7th May.</li> <li>- Tuckshop going well</li> <li>- Upcoming Parent-Teacher Conversations</li> <li>- Morning Coffee for Mother's Day 9th May</li> <li>- Yr 6 leaders attended the Catholic Education Week Mass at Cathedral and celebrations in Treasury Gardens.</li> </ul> <p>Playground update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Part of first stage completed.</li> <li>- Further works over the holidays. Then phase 1 will be completed.</li> <li>- Discussion with SRC about a celebration for the "opening" of the playground.</li> </ul> <p>Masterplan revision</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Meeting with architects to revise the masterplan as unable to obtain funding and will need to fund from school finances.</li> </ul> <p>Reports</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Based on SAC feedback and discussion, behaviour and effort (2 separate metrics) added to reports (5 point scale.)</li> </ul> <p>Staffing</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Megan and Vicky are going on Family Leave.</li> <li>- Ava has joined for Megan</li> <li>- Rose has joined for Vicky</li> </ul> <p>Fundraising</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Possible options from teachers <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Smart TVs (already ordered 4)</li> <li>- Blinds in classrooms (already undertaken in Prep)</li> <li>- Reading materials, at home and in school (order placed to \$10 000)</li> <li>- More devices for Prep to 2. Not 1to1, but more access in classrooms.</li> </ul> </li> <li>- From students <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- More books in the library.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	CS
6	7.35pm (30 mins)	<p><a href="#">Review update draft Priorities &amp; Roles and responsibilities</a></p> <p>Discussed draft priorities</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Embed governance for parent-led events and school-led fundraising events.</li> </ol>	LC

		<p>2. Lift parent knowledge and understanding of academic progress and avenues of advancement - No lead necessary as members can provide feedback continually and the Principal can provide updates in response.</p> <p>3. Foster the school community by encouraging greater social interactions and supporting communications.</p> <p>4. Marketing the school to maintain current numbers in 2026 and beyond.</p> <p><b>Kate Meehan</b> offered to lead.</p> <p>Discussed reworking of priorities to streamline and combine draft priorities 1 and 3. Laura to do and circulate for discussion and decision at the next meeting. In the meantime, parents will be asked what money from fundraising can be spent on through a survey in the newsletter.</p>	
7	8.05pm (10 mins)	<p>Laura provided an update on her attendance at a recent MACS SAC Chairpersons' dinner. She updated on the Vision for Instruction, the upcoming Vision for engagement and insights into MACS priorities. In direct relation to Holy Rosary, Laura has the opportunity to email the MACS Executive Director directly to seek support for funding of the roof. She also learned that a communication platform provider will not be implemented across MACS schools for a few years yet.</p>	
8	8.15pm (10 mins)	AOB	LC
9	8.25pm (10 mins)	<p>Review action items &amp; next meeting</p> <p>Meeting dates and annual calendar</p>	LC
10	8.30pm	Close	