



ST PETER'S  
CAMBRIDGE  
ALUMNI

**Minutes of the St Peter's School Alumni Incorporated  
Annual General Meeting  
Held at the Functions Room  
Saturday, 13 April 2012 at 2.00pm**

**Present:** Philip Coles, John Coles, Vic Jamieson, Tim Fookes, Raewyn Nel, Kirsty Williamson, Geoff Styles, Julian Hughes, Ross Duder, Steve Robb, Bex McGuire, Noel Dwan, Quentin Allan

**In Attendance:** Grant Metcalfe (Community Relations Manager)

**The meeting commenced at 2.08pm**

Formal welcome, School Prayer and opening of the Annual General Meeting by the Chairperson, Philip Coles.

**1. Apologies**

Apologies were received from David Heald, Jack Yates, Anna Hughes, Helen Hughes, Matthew Hughes, Myles Allan, Bill Johnston, John Duder, Anabel Wilson, Basil Coles, Nitin Khare, Karen Brock, C. Eric Parr, Glenn Morgan, Charlton Dawson, Aran Brown, Thomas Libeau, Anita Lala, Alice Jamieson, Amy Whitley, Joseph Edmundson, Peter Smith, Scott Tulloch, Rebekah Russell, Carroll Finlayson, Pip Finlayson, John Grey Whitney, John B Snell, Alan Tong, Alistair Lawrie, Allan Spencer, David Nicoll, Elisabeth Boag, Victoria Van der Spek, Tim Calder, Craig Gerzon, Pornsith Danvanich, Hugh Waugh, Linda Pelham

**Moved** *"that the apologies be accepted."*

Fookes / Hughes (Carried)

**2. Previous Minutes**

**Moved** *"that the minutes of the previous AGM be accepted as a true and accurate record."*

Fookes / Hughes (Carried)

**3. Matters Arising**

Nil

#### **4. Chairperson's Report**

Philip Coles spoke to his report.

#### **Presidents Report 2013**

Firstly welcome back to your school and for making the time to attend this year's AGM, I think you will all agree that the grounds are looking amazing, and on behalf the committee and the members we thank everyone involved with their ongoing work.

2012 Regional Reunions - Auckland(40), Hamilton and Wellington reunions held this year. A London Reunion was also hosted by Grant Metcalfe. Thanks to Grant for this hosting this event for the Alumni. This coincided with Grant's visit Eaton. Grant a huge amount of knowledge and passion in this field.

A Dunedin reunion is also planned for September 28th 2013 at Forsyth Barr Stadium Rugby Match, pre match drinks party, further information please contact Grant Metcalfe at School.

We have to Alumni organ scholarships; we are looking at introducing another scholarship - perhaps farming.

#### **Upcoming events**

- May 11<sup>th</sup> Cats Pre Production Functions from 6.00pm.
- The National Fielddays held at Mystery Creek just outside Hamilton in June, the school will be having a site in the main pavilion from June 12-15, all welcome. Theme: Getting down to business in the Global Economy.
- 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of our Winter sports day 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary July 5<sup>th</sup>. Afternoon full of entertainment and games. Contact Nitin Khare 0212172507 for more information
- Organ/Chapel fund raising Concert in August. Contact Grant Metcalfe 0210743413 for more information

The website is a ongoing project along with Face book and other social medias, we are very grateful for the time and effort that Raewyn Nel and Quentin Allan, for all up coming events please refer to these sites and links. A big thank you for the school contribution Lindsay Clark.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the committee, Raewyn Nel, Rebecca McGuire, Ross Duder, Nitin Khare, Tim Fookes, Karen Brock and Linda Pelham, the committee are very passionate about our school and find valuable time to promote and represent you the members, with a AGM people come and go, this year Deanna Bailey-  
Thank you Deanna for your contribution.

Big thanks to Grant and Mike along with Sandra and Marc from the Finance team

Thanks once again for attending today's AGM, thank you also for having confidence in us representing you as members of the Alumni. We enjoy working together with the Trust Board, Foundation and Parents Association and look forward working positively with them over the next 12 months,

**Moved** *"that the Chairperson's report be accepted."*

J Coles / McGuire (*Carried*)

#### **5. Treasurer's Report and Financial Statement**

Raewyn Nel presented this report on Karen Brock's behalf.

#### **Treasurers Report 2013**

Revenue received amounted to \$42806, primarily made up of subs from leaving students and the balance is interest and other donations.

After the resolution was passed at last year's AGM a further \$10,000 was granted to the Alumni Scholarship fund.

This results in a net surplus of \$30659.

During the year we invested \$220,000 with the school at an interest rate of 4.22%. As at 31/12/12 there was \$7856 in the bank account with Westpac and \$220,000 with the school.

**Moved** "that the Financial report be accepted"

Fookes / McGuire (Carried)

Financial Statement prepared by Sandra Morrison.

It was requested that details of the Scholarship Fund are included in the Treasurer's Report. Including amount of the fund and amount of distributed scholarships.

## **6. Principal's Report**

Steve Robb spoke to his report.

### **2013 Principal's Report to Alumni**

#### **Start of the Year**

- ~ Roll has held at around 1,100.
- ~ 230 new students.
- ~ Boarders 430, Day 670.
- ~ Prep 140.
- ~ Large senior school with 200 plus in Year 13.

#### **Gardner House**

Year 13 Common Room has been named in honour of long serving House Director, Assistant Principal Alistair Gardner, and Matron Jenny Gardner.

#### **School Goals for 2013**

- ~ Body keep an active balance in your life
- ~ Mind enhance achievement through eLearning
- ~ Spirit making a contribution to our learning community

#### **Review of Special Character**

This review was carried out by the Reverend Craig Luccock. The review focussed on the Six Marks of Mission of the Anglican Church and how St Peter's School related to these – worship, proclaim the good news, to teach, baptize and nurture new believers, to respond to human need by loving service, to seek to transform unjust structures of society, and to strive to safeguard the integrity of creation and sustain and renew the life of the earth.

The School was commended on its work in upholding and supporting the Anglican Special Character.

#### **Schools' First Kaumatua**

School has welcomed our first School Kaumatua, the Reverend Haki Wirihana, a retired Anglican Priest.

Haki attends School on Fridays, works with students and staff, and attends special occasions and events here.

We have recently employed Mr Richmond Hollis as a teacher/tutor for te reo and the cultural group.

## **Major Projects**

### Home of Cycling

The \$28 million dollar project will be completed by December 2013. School will have 400 hours per year free access, as part of our agreement with the Home of Cycling Trust.

This project is run by a Trust and is not owned by School.

### Perry Pool

A six lane, 25 metre covered heated pool is under construction next to the Brock Pool. This will allow the swimming club to grow from 500 to 700 to 1,000 members, as the demand for programmes, learn to swim to New Zealand age group, continues to grow.

This is a centre of excellence.

### Triathlon

This body has announced that it will base its Headquarters in the Home of Cycling.

The New Zealand High Performance Manager will be based there.

### National Park

We still await the final Resource Consent via Ruapehu District Council so that construction work can begin on two chalets this year.

### New Prep School

After 77 to 78 years, the Board is working through the process of building a new, modern, 10 room Prep School for Years 7 and 8.

Many sites have been considered, with the final chosen site sitting nestled in between the Chapel and the Kahikatea Stand.

This will keep Prep School central to School, with the road minimised to traffic.

While moving out of the old Prep Block is a big call, it is a timely, necessary and appropriate one.

## **Staff – Professional Learning Community**

Every Friday morning, Academic staff meet for 40 minutes to work collaboratively on research and study of Professional matters.

The key goal is to keep teaching and learning at its best for staff and students.

## **eLearning – bring your own devices**

We have focussed this approach on Years 7 and 9 for 2013. However, already more than 700 devices have been attached to the Schools WiFi network.

Students are using Moodle (the Schools virtual learning environment) to access resources and activities which teachers have added to their class courses.

## **Academic Results 2012 - Highlights**

### International Baccalaureate (33 candidates)

I.B. Diploma 94% Pass rate

Two students honoured at Government House with Top Scholar Awards

- Cora Liu 43/45

- Alex Nathan 42/45

### Cambridge International Exams

C.I.E. Mathematics – 102 candidates 99% Pass rate

### NCEA

NCEA Level 1 93.2% Pass rate, 57.6% endorsed Excellent or Merit

NCEA Level 2 98.8% Pass rate, 51% endorsed Excellent or Merit

UE Level 3 + I.B. Diploma 90.3% Pass rate, 37% endorsed Excellent or Merit

### Scholars Awards

2012 was a standout year with new records set at each level.

- First award Scholars tie 95
- Second award Silver Owl 45
- Third award Founders Scholarship Medal 9

### **Mrs Eagar and Mr Dornauf**

We have farewelled two long serving staff – Mrs Eagar (20 years, 17 as Head of Faculty English) and Mr Dornauf 17 year's part time teacher of Art History. Mr Dornauf's students gained 50 Scholarships in his time here – a School record.

### **Extra-Curricular Highlights 2012**

- "AIDA" – modern take on the classic Verdi opera as an Egyptian love story
- "Sunday Best" band – won the Bay of Plenty Regional Rockquest and a place in the New Zealand Finals
- "Immersive Echoes" – this amazing work of art by Gregor Kregar sits proudly in the School grounds

### Enviro Schools

After six years of planning, hard work and community wide support, the School was awarded the coveted "Green Gold" award for our leadership and development of sustainability across the School.

### New Zealand Secondary Schools Rowing – Top School

At the Maadi Cup regatta, our rowers won four gold, five silver and two bronze, a total of 37 points, to win the Star Trophy as the top New Zealand Secondary Schools Rowing School, for the first time.

We also retained the President's trophy (third year in a row) as the top sculling school.

### Tennis

Won its fifth straight gold medal (seven goals in all), in winning the co-ed mixed title.

### Squash

The boys and girls squash teams retained the trophy for the top New Zealand co-ed School.

### Cricket

The 1st XI Cricket team won the Waikato Secondary Schools 1st XI competition, and, for the first time, the 72 School Northern Districts competition, beating Tauranga Boys and Hamilton Boys in the semi and final.

The team was placed fourth out of the top six New Zealand finalists.

### Soccer

1st XI Girls Soccer finished fifth in the New Zealand Premier competition. 1st XI Boys Soccer finished tenth in the New Zealand Premier competition. Four of the team have been selected in the New Zealand Secondary Schools Team to travel to the United Kingdom.

### New Zealand Mixed Touch

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The Team won silver in the New Zealand finals. Previously, they have won gold and bronze.

#### Golf

Compton Pikari won the top Waikato Secondary Schools Sportsman of the Year. He also won bronze at the Junior Olympics.

#### Athletics

Arianna Lord won gold in the New Zealand Secondary Schools 1,500m Athletics and also won silver (1,500m) and bronze (3,000m) in the Youth Olympics held in Sydney.

#### Swimming

Sam Perry made the 200m final.

#### Rugby

The 1st XV Rugby team made the Waikato Secondary Schools 1st XV semis, losing narrowly to St John's College.

Under 15s and Prep teams won their competitions.

#### Hockey

1st XI Hockey girls lost the A final 1-0 to Waikato Diocesan.

#### **Alumni**

##### Scholarships

I acknowledge and thank the Alumni for their support with the Alumni Scholarship.

Such Scholarships enhance opportunities for students and help grow success for all.

#### **Conclusion**

2012 was another excellent year for St Peter's School, Cambridge, with the increased opportunities, momentum and new projects underway and in planning stage, we are in a very sound position to continue to strive for excellence in everything we do.

Thank you for all your great support.

**SF Robb**  
**Principal**

**Moved** *"that the Principal's report be accepted"*

McGuire / J Coles (*Carried*)

#### **7. Trust Board Report**

Raewyn Nel spoke to her report.

### **Trust Board Alumni Representative Report 2013**

Welcome and thanks to those members who have attended the AGM.

For me, it has been a pleasure to serve as the Alumni's Representative to the Trust Board for another year. The Trust Board has continued to provide strong governance of the school, chaired by old boy David Heald with John Erkkila as Deputy. Long-standing trustee Peggy Koopmen-Boyden resigned due to other commitments. New trustees, Steve Tucker, Cam Holmes and John Fegan, the Parents Association Rep, joined the Board during the year. The St Peter's Trust Board continues to be a strong and effective governing body.

The school is looking wonderful. And if you haven't had an opportunity to look around lately I would encourage you to take a tour of the school at the conclusion of today's meeting. Excellent progress is being made in the construction of the covered Learn To Swim pool which is scheduled to be completed July. And soon development of a new prep school facility will be underway in the area between the chapel and the Kahikatea. This location was chosen not only for its great vista but also its proximity to the chapel, dining room and other facilities. Aptly it is also next to Mike's memorial. The design incorporates many modern features and will be a state of the art facility. It will certainly be a fabulous place for our school's younger students to learn in.

The Board recognizes the importance of environmental sustainability and so a number of energy efficient, and also cost saving, initiatives have been implemented in the boarding houses and school classrooms. The school also was awarded an Enviroschools Green-Gold award last year. Only two secondary schools in NZ have received the honour. It has been fabulous that the efforts of the students and staff have been recognised

Further development of the Outdoor Education Centre at National Park continues. Over the past summer the Trust Board more improvements at the Centre were made which the Y7 camp earlier this term benefited from. Plans are in place to build some chalets next summer.

I am pleased to be able to report to you, again, that St Peter's continues to grow and develop as an outstanding school. And as Alumni I would like to thank Steve and staff, David and the Board and the students for the care they take of the school.

## END REPORT

**Moved** *"that the Trust Board report be accepted."*

McGuire / Williamson (Carried)

## 8. Election of Officers

Existing Committee	Elected	Term Expiry
Philip Coles	2008	2015
Rebecca McGuire	2011	2015
Nitin Khare	2011	2015
Tim Fookes	2011	2014
Raewyn Nel	2009	2014
Linda Pelham	2011	2014

### Election

	Proposed / Seconded	Vote
Kirsty Williamson	Nel / McGuire	Unanimous
Rebecca McGuire	Nel / McGuire	Unanimous
Karen Brock	Nel / Williamson	Unanimous
Geoff Styles	Nel / Williamson	Unanimous

It was requested that rule change for the election of officers be clarified.

## 9. Appointment of Auditor

**Moved** *"that the St Peter's School Alumni appoint the school Auditor to review the Annual Financial Statements."*

Fookes / Hughes (Carried)

## 10. General Business

### **Scholarship Fund**

Unsure of the value of the Alumni Scholarship Fund currently, but is at least \$150,000. Increasing the scholarship fund by \$40,000 is too much at this time. Details of the strategy for ongoing funding for scholarships was requested to be presented at next year's AGM. What are the projections for the future?

*Moved "that the St Peter's School Alumni add \$20,000 to the Alumni Scholarship Fund."*

*Fookes / Duder (Carried)*

### **Music Leadership**

Julian Hughes has discussed an award for music leadership with Victoria Brown. Victoria was supportive. It is proposed that it will be a shield with lion plaque. Thanks to Julian for doing this.

The Chairman thanked the members for attending the meeting and their input.

**The meeting concluded at 3:15pm**

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Chairperson

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Date