

Parramatta Marist Old Boys Union

Annual General Meeting

The Annual General Meeting of the Parramatta Marist Old Boys was held in the Boardroom at Parramatta Marist, Westmead at 7:40pm, Monday 25 February 2019.

Present

Mark Pauschmann (Principal), Adam Hendry (1994), Stefan Procajlo (1974), Mark Procajlo (1976), John Flynn (1965), Greg Corr (1964), John Burke (1975), Ryan Pigram (2009), Adrian Dolahenty (1986), Peter Boutros (1987)

Apologies

Peter Bowd (1984), John Peters (1964), John Lahoud (2011), Tony Lahoud (2015), Brad Murphy (2015), Trent Atkins (1994), Mark Currie (1982), Toby Nasr (1992), Jacob Boutros (2016), Corey Fisher (2016)

Minutes of the AGM

The minutes of the previous AGM held on 26 February 2018 were adopted.

Business Arising from the AGM

Nil

Correspondence

Adam Hendry reported on receipt of letter of thanks addressed to Old Boys on 28 March 2018 from Michael Reid, Assistant Principal at Holy Cross College Ryde, whose son Patrick was the recipient of the Br Coman Scholarship for 2018.

Matters Arising out of the Correspondence

Nil

President's Report

Adam Hendry thanked Mark Pauschmann for his support of the OBU. Adam mentioned various activities which had occurred and which were planned including the Commencement Mass (co-celebrated by Fr Wim Hoekstra who was a class mate of Chris O'Brien in 1969) attended by Gail and Juliette O'Brien, the proposed Anzac service on 23/04/2019, the scholarship to be decided and the meeting with Barry McLeary (1967) on 27/02/2019 who has committed to contribute \$250,000 over 5 years to Parramatta Marist Old Boys' Union Scholarship Fund Inc. Adam also mentioned proposed visit by John Devitt to promote his book about Cecil Healy, by John Cardy (1967) to talk about mathematics and proposed Law and Order Forum to be held on 15/05/2019. The speakers at Forum will include Brian Tamblin, Pat Abood, John Peters and Gary Byron. Adam finished by stating it was encouraging to hear from numerous Old Boys wishing to give back in some way to the school which would celebrate its bicentenary in 2020.

Treasurer's Report

Stefan Procajlo tabled the treasurer's report (copy attached) for the year ending 31 December 2018, indicating an operating surplus of \$5,562 last year and a balance of \$29,150. Stefan mentioned that only 84 attended the Annual Reunion Dinner and this impacted on the results of the auction and raffle, being down from previous years, but we received a donation of \$1,000 from Parramatta Leagues Club, Stefan noted that the OBU had completed its funding commitment to the Br Coman Scholarship which would now be funded out of the Scholarship Fund. Stefan also mentioned that expenses included payments to Brad Murphy for work relating to data base and memorabilia as well as payments to family in need.

It was noted that Adam, Stefan and John Flynn are the only signatories to our CBA accounts.

Election of Office Bearers

Mark Pauschmann acted as returning officer. Before nominations, Mark took the opportunity to thank the OBU for its support of the School, the Scholarship and its financial assistance last year with struggling families. Mark mentioned that it was important to maintain the Marist tradition and that the commitments of the 3 Schools on site (PMH, Catherine McAuley and Mother Theresa Primary School) would help ensure this as there were no plans for the secondary schools to be co-ed. Mark also mentioned the importance of the school celebrating its bicentenary in 2020.

The following persons were nominated and elected unopposed:

- President: Adam Hendry
- Vice Presidents: Peter Bowd and Mark Currie
- Secretary: Mark Procajlo
- Treasurer: Stefan Procajlo
- General Committee: John Flynn, John Burke, Adrian Dolahenty, Greg Corr, John Peters, Trent Atkins, Toby Nasr, Ryan Pigram, Tony Lahoud, Brad Murphy, John Lahoud, Peter Boutros, Jacob Boutros, Corey Fisher

Br Coman Scholarship

Adam reported that:

- As he is not able to be on the Committee for the Scholarship Fund (by reason of conflict of interest), Mark Pauschmann (after receiving input from selected staff) would meet with Ryan Pigram and John Burke to determine the successful candidate for the 2019 Br Coman Scholarship.
- He will advise successful candidate for the 2019 Br Coman Scholarship when determined.

It was noted that, on and from 2019, the Scholarship will be for 6 years from Year 7 to Year 12 and will be funded out of the Parramatta Marist Old Boys' Union Scholarship Fund Inc.

Close

The meeting closed at 7.50pm and was immediately followed by the first ordinary meeting for 2019.