

# Parramatta Marist Old Boys Union

## ***Annual General Meeting***

The Annual General Meeting of the Parramatta Marist Old Boys was held in the Learning Centre at Parramatta Marist, Westmead at 7:40pm, Monday 24 February 2020.

## ***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), Peter Boutros (1987), Mark Currie (1982)

## ***Apologies***

Peter Bowd (1984), John Peters (1964), John Lahoud (2011), Tony Lahoud (2015), Brad Murphy (2015), Trent Atkins (1994), Toby Nasr (1992), Jacob Boutros (2016), Corey Fisher (2016), Adrian Dolahenty (1986)

## ***Minutes of the AGM***

The minutes of the previous AGM held on 25 February 2019 were adopted.

## ***Business Arising from the AGM***

Nil

## ***Correspondence***

Adam Hendry reported that, throughout the last 12 months, he had been contacted by numerous Old Boys (regarding various matters including events at School, memorabilia and annual dinner) and that, currently at the School, there were about 75 students who were the sons of Old Boys. Adam also mentioned that some boys were 5<sup>th</sup> generation (including Halligan, McCaffery and Lynch)

## ***Matters Arising out of the Correspondence***

Nil

## ***President's Report***

Adam Hendry thanked Mark Pauschmann for his support of the OBU. Mark also thanked Brad Murphy for helping generate more interest from younger Old Boys and more particularly for his work relating to the memorabilia, which had provided a real link to the past and which should earn him the title of Old Boys' Archivist.

Adam mentioned that the last 12 months had been very busy with various events including the visit to School last year by John Devitt to promote his book about Cecil Healy up to the recent Commencement Mass on 4 February 2020 which was celebrated by Bishop Vincent and which was attended by numerous past captains and vice-captains of the School. Adam also mentioned the proposed extension to the Learning Centre (in which some the memorabilia was displayed) and the need to rotate the display given that it comprises only about 10% of available memorabilia items. Adam finished by stating that the Champagnat Day Mass would be held at the School at 9am on Friday 5 June 2020 (in which a great deal of interest had been shown) and that the School intended a celebration of its bicentenary to be held in the Morley Centre on Friday, 30 October 2020.

### ***Treasurer's Report***

Stefan Procajlo tabled the treasurer's report (copy attached) for the year ending 31 December 2019, indicating an operating surplus of \$4,032 last year and a closing balance of funds in the sum of \$17,882. Stefan mentioned that the Annual Reunion Dinner at Rosehill Bowling Club went well, although catering and club expenses were higher than previously incurred because of a room hire charge. Stefan also added that a donation of \$1,000 from Parramatta Leagues Club, which had been provided in previous years, was not forthcoming. Stefan mentioned that our expenses included payments to Brad Murphy for work relating to data base and memorabilia (which was well spent having regard to memorabilia display) and donations of \$5,000 to "breakfast club" provided by IGA.

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 and the Scholarships. 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:

- Certain issues concerning potential conflicts of interest (arising out of his being both President of OBU and Assistant Principal of School), which were not regarded as real conflicts, had been resolved in the course of last year but had delayed the appointment of the successful candidate for the 2019 Br Coman Scholarship;
- He would advise successful candidates for 2019 and 2020 when determined.
- Year 6 students wishing to attend the School for their secondary education were required to sit a test which they did in November; and
- Any student wishing to apply for the Br Coman Scholarship would have the results of their test taken into account as well as various other factors including their character.

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.

It was also noted that the Scholarship Award Committee would include the President (Peter Bowd) and Treasurer (John Burke) of the Fund as well as Mark Pauschmann and his nominees including selected academic staff members.

### ***Close***

The meeting closed at 7.55pm and was immediately followed by the first ordinary meeting for 2020.