Minutes of General Meeting of FMAHS* 
PT & F Association Incorporated  
Monday 15th February 2016

Opened: 7.35pm

Present: Nicole Devine, Karen Parker, Michelle Hanigan, Jennylyn King, Melissa Cooper, Daniel Rohde, Fiona Chisholm, Jodie MacTavish, Greta Wellham, Caron Lasscock, Danne Levy & Clint Gallagher

Apologies: Justine George, Kerri Axon, Gina Watt, David Gale

Head Teacher presentation: Danne Levy, Relieving Head Teacher English faculty
- Farrer welcomes three new teachers, Rory Marshman, Damian McManus and Bek May
- David Barbara is Curriculum advisor for the next three years
- New texts come into use with the new curriculum, along with new novel that will appeal to the students including graphic novel versions of Shakespeare, ALARM system being implemented this helps the boys with long responses in exam situations
- School play starts with casting in term 1 with performance in term 3
- Debating – three teams entering comps this year
- School to host Sydney Morning Herald Public Speaking Competition
- Theatre sports to be hosted by Farrer Wk. 10 Term 1
- Department looking to improve film making abilities with the purchase of a digital camera for drama and English projects, upgrade lighting in SMC and are moving Drama store to dressing room space below stage

Business Arising
- Previous minutes true and correct by Michelle and seconded by Daniel
- Principal position still ongoing
- Farrer Hilton – numbers down this year, volunteers still missing pre-arranged shifts however all shifts where covered. Thanks to Justine & Jodie for arranging.
- Open day will be held this coming Wednesday
- Swimming Carnival a success

Correspondence In:
- Memberships
- Fundraising pamphlets – engraved pavers, garden express and colouring books
- School Calendar
- Emails – Duncan Taylor – Sale of Hurlestone
- Phone Call to Nicole from David Gale re fundraising ideas

Correspondence Out:
- Community Underwriting – Public Liability paid and receipt sent.
Treasurers' Report:
- Receipts for 12 – 15 memberships
- Public Liability paid ($700) and CAPA invoice ($207) to be paid asap
- Balances as attached.

Principals Report:
- As attached.

General Business:
- Duncan Taylor – ICPA re sale of Hurlestone – approximately $80 million will become available to assist current Agricultural Schools, possible uses for our school would include looking at the water structure to improve water availability (bores or wells), including an upgrade to water delivery system and possible upgrades to the dairy. Duncan asking that PT&F supply a letter, based on YANCO’s letter, to be sent to Kate Treweeke: Member of Parliament stating our support for the funding of pre-existing schools in this manner. All attending members supported this action. Nicole to arrange correspondence.
- Myall magazine (school) has requested a report from our President, Nicole will forward President report from AGM Nov 2015
- Term Deposit to be rolled for 2-3 months at the best rate. Michelle to arrange. All attendees in agreement.
- Golf Course committee looking for extra funding for the purchase of a second hand course mower, they have already raised app. $11000 and are looking for assistance, contribution to be discussed at next meeting
- More fundraising required by the PT&F – possible new committee to be formed. Meeting at 6.30pm before monthly meetings.
- Researched was conducted into the costs for the school to top dress the playing fields with a cost of around $8000 for soil. It was suggested that this could be done at the same time WESTS top dress their fields to reduce costs, and it was indicated that this occurs in February. Clint explained that this would not be a convenient time of year as school is just coming back and the ovals are being used by the students. After some discussion it was resolved that it is more of an issue of the limited water supply the ovals are subject to, and this cannot be resolved until after the water study is completed.
- Nicole discussed moving forward with a more defined structure to agenda items at future meetings. After some discussion all attendees were in agreement that requesting agenda items prior to meetings was a good idea. All agreed that the agenda items to be put forward at each meeting will be vetted and prioritised by the Farrer MAHS PT&F President as will the number of agenda items taken to any meeting. Nicole & Karen to discuss a format/timeline for this process.

Meeting Closed: 9.05pm

Next Meeting: Monday 21st March 2016 at 7.30pm in the Old Boys Clubhouse
- These minutes are to be considered a draft, until passed as true and correct at the next general meeting