

St. Matthew's Collegiate School Old Girls Association

Annual General Meeting 4.00pm Tuesday 14th November 2017 Judy Young Centre

St. Matthew's Collegiate School, Masterton

Present: Adie Long, Amanda McLeod, Mary Perry, Lynn Lamb, Steph Haworth, Anna Perry, Inga Wood, Bev Armistead, Kiri Gill, Sandie Sherwin, Sarah Harris, Georgie Vincent, Nicola Spencer, Bridget Mathewson, Nicola Hewitt.

Apologies: Annette Parry, Tina Tylee, Charlotte Gendall, Elizabeth Jolly, Susan Jolly, Kaye Levin, Ros Southey, Errol Warren, Brigie Sims.

Minutes of the previous AGM: Amanda McLeod moved that the minutes of the previous AGM be accepted as a true and correct record. Seconded Georgie Vincent.

Matters Arising: see general business below.

General Business:

Database: Steph Haworth has continued to work on the data base. Over 650 email addresses now. Only 5% emails returned this year which was an improvement from last year. Work is continuing towards a better digital database. At present using a system called Most. We need to get a more updated version of this to track our Old Girls, Steph could look at other database systems to compare. The Foundation has come to the table to get Steph on board to run the database project. Discussion around money for this, do we fundraise, do we approach the School, the BoT, the Foundation, the TSTB. Sarah Harris would be able to take the project to the SMS BoT, she will require all details though. We should progress without Rathkeale. Steph to come back to the SMOG committee with price to update to newer version of Most.

Moved that Stephanie to investigate pricing from Most. Seconded Georgie Vincent.

Magazine: Adie organised the magazine again this year. The committee thanked Adie for all her work on this. 850 copies were printed. 724 copies were mailed out.

Archives: Adie reported that the Archives is running on the Past Perfect software. We have a laptop for the archives and a scanner for the photos. We require personnel to input photos. Elsja, (the SMS librarian, who is leaving the staff), would be prepared to take over the archiving in 2018 for 20 hours per month. (Tina Tylee has resigned from the committee and so will not be continuing with the archives project next year). Elsja would probably still require some help with the archiving, to liaise with SMOG committee.

Adie moved that Elsja do the archiving for SMOGA, 20 hours per month.

Leavers breakfast: 9am Saturday 2nd December. Cooked breakfast \$6.50 per head. Last year the breakfast cost \$3.10 head. 54 leavers this year. Discussion around this. Agreed to go with the \$3.10 option again. Sarah Harris to ensure the SMS kitchen is notified. Some SMS girls to help clearing plates etc.

Leavers 2017: Mollie Tulloch (service prefect), has done a great job, 27 out of 54 signed up to the SMOG.

Adie would like to propose that we increase the membership fee to be the same as the enrolment fee. Georgie reported that we don't receive the money for each girl from the TSTB until all Year 13 girl's accounts have been fully paid. Discussion around the price for SMOGA joining fee. The current price is \$150, we have not had a lot joining in their 1st 10 years of leaving school, so the thought is that we increase in price is to be the same as the deposit. See below.

Adie moved that we set the subs at \$250 for Year 13 leavers and up to 20 years after leaving school, \$150 for 20+ years. Seconded Nicola Hewitt.

Presidents Report: Adie Long read her report. Attached. Adie moved her report be accepted. Seconded Amanda McLeod.

Financial Report: Georgie reported on the SMOG finances. An anonymous donor has donated another \$10,000 which is very exciting. We are currently getting 3.75% for 12 months. The original SMOG Scholarship, (Scholarship 1), is still being paid at the same amount it was started at, \$3,200 despite a fall in interest received. For the remainder of the current recipients term, this amount will remain. The current recipient leaves at the end of 2018. Lynn asked where was the \$300 that was owed at the end of 2016 to the Scholarship no. 1 account gone. Georgie explained where it was, why and that it has been rectified.

Georgie moved that the accounts be accepted. Seconded Nicola Hewitt.

General Business:

Scholarships: There are two Scholarships offered by SMOG. The original Scholarship, (Scholarship 1), was discussed. The minimum cost at SMS is \$8,000 to \$9,000 annually. Discussion around the various Scholarship points, from selection committee to time frame, naming, amount to be offered, interest rates.

Scholarship 2 has been created due to the very generous donation of an SMOG who wishes to remain anonymous. This Scholarship is currently a two year Scholarship worth \$2,000 per year.

Scholarship 1 will remain being awarded to a girl for 5 years, only year 9 girls are permitted to apply, the amount will be set for the 5 years. The next recipient will receive a minimum of \$2,500. The existing financial application form is to be updated.

Adie moved the above. Seconded Sarah Harris.

(The current recipient leaves at the end of the 2018 school year so applications will be received for the Scholarship to begin in 2019).

Adie moved that we call Scholarship 1 SMOG Endeavour Grant. Seconded Amanda McLeod. Carried.

Adie moved that we call Scholarship 2 SMOG To The Stars Grant. Seconded Nicola Hewitt. Carried.

Constitution Changes:

Adie moved that in no.12 SMCSOGA INTO RECESS, that the word 'Scholarship' be changed to 'Scholarships/grants'.

Speakers in Assembly: has continued this year and been well received.

Welcoming New Parents Event February 2nd 2018: SMOG will help with this initiative.

Recruiting New SMOGA Committee members: Present committee to actively seek new members to the committee.

Election of officers:

Committee

Brigitte Sims, Stephanie Haworth, Sarah Harris, Bridget Mathewson, Nicola Hewitt, Nicola Spencer, Chris Cameron

Amanda McLeod moved the above seven are elected as the SMOG committee, seconded Adie Long. Carried.

President

Adie Long nominated by Steph Haworth. Seconded Sarah Harris. Carried.

Secretary

Amanda McLeod nominated by Adie Long. Seconded Sarah Harris. Carried.

Treasurer

Georgie Vincent was nominated by Adie Long. Seconded Steph Haworth. Carried.

Auditor:

Richard Toovey.

Scholarship Convenor:

Adie Long nominated Steph Haworth be appointed as the Scholarship convenor. Seconded Nicola Hewitt.

Meeting closed at 5:32pm.