Attendees

Suzi Fisher, Rod Crouch, Karen Austin, Takeala, Lisa Thompson, Tanya Ashton, Sangeeta Harbinson, Lesley Jones, Darren Wallis, Hayley Finnis, Felicity McShane, Raelene Williams

Apologies

Rosanne Wallis, Andrew Munro, Arabella Spence

Scribe

Takeala

Principal’s Report

The year has started well.

Buildings - Boys have been using the Senior Studies Building since the start of term, and enjoying its fully wireless technology, expanded locker areas and flexible classrooms. The lecture theatre looks fantastic and is available for use. Work is nearing completion on the swale between buildings G and H, and should be competed shortly.

Staff - College Librarian Anne Greene will retire at the end of term.

College Entrance - Next Monday, work will resume on the upgrade of Manly Road as required of the College by Brisbane City Council. The first stage will be to lower some Telstra cables about 200 mm. This should not impact on the use of Manly Road. A new bus stop will need to be created, and the road south of the College entrance will be widened. At one stage, the exit of the College will be reduced to one lane for about one week, but parents will be advised when this will occur. Work should conclude by the start of Term 3. The traffic lights have been reprogrammed to better facilitate traffic through the entrance.

BER Hall - The MBBC Board is in the process of finalising contracts for the construction of the hall and it is hoped work will commence in the next few weeks, with completion scheduled by end of year to qualify for the BER grant. This multi-purpose hall is being built on the tennis courts (and new courts built), so once work commences, the courts will be out of action for the rest of the year.

Other - The scholarship exam was conducted last week, a successful Open Day was held last Wednesday. Enrolments for 2011 and 2012 are healthy, with waiting lists of more than 20 for the two streams of Prep.

Treasurer’s Report

The treasurer was not in attendance to table the Treasurer’s Report.
President’s Report

▪ Chocolate Drive - there is still more than $2000 outstanding from this fundraiser. The amount raised will be included in the college newsletter when the report is submitted by the treasurer. There was discussion regarding a better procedure for this fundraiser in 2011.

▪ Entertainment Books - there remain 123 books outstanding. Another note will be placed in the newsletter. This year’s profit margin was the same as last year’s.

▪ Athlete’s Foot - when college families purchase footwear from Athlete’s Foot Carindale and Capalaba, $5 will be donated to MBBC. Please mention MBBC to ensure donation. This donation can then be redeemed by MBBC as vouchers or for sporting goods on a quarterly or annual basis. Full details will continue to be published in the newsletter on a regular basis.

▪ Trivia Night - this event raised just under $2000. It will be bigger and better in 2011, using the new hall as the venue.

▪ Fitness-a-thon - assistance is required for this event, especially with provision of drinks and ice blocks to the boys. There is a good selection of prizes and each boy will receive a participant’s pack. The highest fundraisers will receive prizes. The whole school will participate.

▪ Dinner Dance - to be held on 21 August, themed “Night in BrisVegas”. Earlybird ticket price is $85 per person per table of 10 booked, or $90 per ticket if purchased after the earlybird period has expired. Ticket price includes champagne on arrival, 3 course meal, coffee/tea. There will be a maximum of 150 guests. Winner of the two free tickets was Deanne Kircher.

▪ CIC Sport Snack Stall - the first of these for 2010 will be held on Friday for the Cross Country Meet, organised by Dale Barr. Drinks and chips will be sold.

Correspondence

No correspondence was received.

Other Business

▪ Allocation for monies raised by the P&F - This year’s committee has sought opinion from the college and decided to allocate funds raised during 2010 according to the following priorities (in order): kitchen fitout for the new hall, sports equipment for the new hall such as weights, hoops, nets, etc, and, thirdly, to the Arts Precinct. This decision is based on the rationale of “what benefits the most amount of children”. Also, funds can be used to make purchases that generate more money, for example, a coffee machine. It is also important that the funds be spent/allocated during the year that they were raised so that parents can see a more immediate result of their fundraising efforts. Additionally, where possible, plaques will be applied to the equipment in recognition of the parent body contribution to the school. Where funds fall short for the fitout of the hall, parent sponsorship/assistance will be sought.

▪ Shadecloth over amphitheatre - the grant application for these shadecloths was unsuccessful. When feedback was sought for the reason why the grant application was
unsuccessful, the college was advised that the application was perfectly acceptable; the division of monies was directed elsewhere. Des Schinkel will have the cheapest quote reviewed this week; the cost is expected to be between $55-60,000. More than $60,000 has been allocated from MBBC P&F fundraising efforts.

- **Grant Submissions** - Tanya Ashton offered to assist with these. She has already researched a number of options available to us and requires a list of items the college is in need of, before assessing which grant/s are applicable. Rod will forward this information to Tanya.

- **CIC Sports Events** - Hayley Finnis raised concerns about MBBC Yr 6 boys playing against Yr 7 boys of other schools. Rod is conscious of the boys’ safety and will make the call to withdraw from the game, where necessary. He added that, as school student numbers increase, this situation will diminish.

- **School Banking** - this will begin soon for P-6 students. A pack will be sent home to inform parents. The Commonwealth Bank of Australia will donate $5 for each new account opened, and 5% of all deposits to the college. Volunteers have already been identified to assist with money collection and banking.

- **Y12 Graduation Gifts** - the MBBC P&F will provide a gift to each of the 22 students graduating in 2010. Karen Austin has been researching options, which include:

  - Ring - silver, engraved
  - Towel - embroidered, college colours
  - Pen in wooden case - engraved
  - Keyring

  A decision will be made on this at the next meeting.

- **Additional fundraiser suggestion** - Dad’s Night In for State of Origin.

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**Meeting Closed 8 pm, Next Meeting**

General Meeting 7pm, 9 August 2010, MBBC Music Room