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Minutes of General Meeting of F.M.A.H.S.  
P.T. & F. Association Incorporated  
Monday 16<sup>th</sup> February 2009

**Opened:** 7:40pm

**Present:** Sarah Riley, Kim Sippel, Sue Thomson, Amanda Cooper, Teena Cooper, Jane Kingham, Judy McDonell, Lauren Robson-Pearce, Michelle Bath, LeeAnn & Grant Doel, Tanya O'Shannessy, Laurie Chaffey, Jenelle Scott, Sam & Mandy Leys, Lyndell Grills, Meryl Chaffey, Lynne Weis, Stephen George, Steve Cavanagh

**Apologies:** David McDonagh, Jenelle Brazell, Del Summerfield, Lyn Windsor, Cindy Pursehouse, Fiona Sharman

**Minutes:** Kim Sippel moved that the minutes of the General Meeting held on 19<sup>th</sup> November 2008. seconded Sarah Riley. Carried.

**Business Arising:**

**Farrer Service Medallion** - Laurie Chaffey outlined the history of the medallion.

**S. Riley moved that a PT&F Service award be awarded to a member of the school community in recognition of their contribution to the school. Nominations will be taken from the school community and forwarded to the secretary of PT&F in June, for final selection in August and forwarded to the presentation day coordinator. seconded M. Bath. Carried.**

**Discussion of Farrer Hilton –**

- possibility of a PT&F sub-committee
- Hilton is a major fundraiser
- Promotion of Farrer Hilton within PT&F membership

**PT&F Laptop** – new laptop now with the secretary.

**Year 7 Directory**

**Correspondence In:**

- **Trevor Kahn:**
  - Commonwealth funding for schools
  - Online education survey

Some funding for new science labs at Farrer, maintenance on Northcott bathrooms, \$300,000 grant for farm.

- **Federation of P&Cs Associations:**
  - Newsletter
  - Student Injury Insurance

**Correspondence Out:**

- Nil

**L. Weis moved that correspondence be accepted. Seconded S. Thomson. Carried.**

**Treasurer's Report:**

- Presented to the meeting.

**J. Scott moved that this report be accepted. Seconded Tanya O'Shannessy. Carried.**

**Steve Cavanagh to follow up on invoices for the water project, tennis nets and flash software.**

**Principal's Report:**

- **Attached**
- Staffing numbers should remain constant for 2009.

**S. Leys moved that PT&F supports the school in enforcing compliance to the Farrer Handbook in regards to uniform rules. Seconded S. Riley. Carried.**

Mr Harding to be invited to PT&F meeting.

Computers for senior students – expected in the early part of this year.

**S. Cavanagh moved that the Principal's report be accepted. Seconded S. Riley . Carried.**

**School Council – Sam Leys**

- School Budget meeting in December.
- Each school department e.g. farm, refectory had to prepare an expenditure report.
- Inspection of a farm that school is looking at the possibility of purchasing for the Angus Stud.
- Farm management drawing up plans and looking at the pros and cons of a new property purchase.

**S. Leys moved that report be accepted. Seconded S. Riley**

**General Business:**

**S. George moved that PT&F donate \$500 to a school affected by bushfires in Victoria. An Agricultural High School or one with an Ag faculty. Seconded S. Riley. Carried.**

- Possibility of a general permission note for local excursions. S. Cavanagh to follow up.
- Central West support group - follow up on the recommended purchase of ironing boards.
- Guidelines for putting the minutes on the Internet:

**L. Grills moved that the minutes are linked to the Farrer website without the Treasurer's report. Seconded J. McDonnell. Carried**

- Ball:
  - Black and White
  - Venue Wests Leagues Club
  - Flyer will go out in the next mailout
  - Raffle tickets for the next mailout

**Judy McDonnell moved that the ball sub-committee continue with ball arrangements. Seconded L. Grills. Carried.**

- Thank you to the refectory for the BBQ.
- Rock band at the senior assembly very good.
- Guest speaker on Speech Day very good.
- Suggestion that the remote groups may like to spend some time at the school, working bee etc.

Meeting closed 8.55pm

**Next Meeting 7.30pm, Monday 16<sup>th</sup> March 2009 in the Oldboys Clubhouse.**

Secretary