NHSPA PVASC Minutes
4 August 2011

Attendance
Co-convenors: Di Solomon, Lisa Penlington; Secretary: Camilla Lawson
Dave Ferguson, Mary Mooney, Michael Manuell, Donna Huggart, Lucy Godoroja

Apologies
Michael Scott-Mitchell, Darren Mitchell, John Napier

Meeting opened at 6.30

1. Previous minutes 4 August 2011 accepted. Moved by Michael Manuell

2. Matters arising from previous meeting – refer to Other Business

3. Matters Arising

4. Update re Masterclasses: Still awaiting on visual arts; music proceeding as indicated; delaying Masterclasses to early next year.

5. Update re wish lists: Dance received DVD burners etc as discussed previously; All faculties have been notified that they are to receive $1,500. ACTION: follow up next term how the funds were spent and how useful it was.

6. Studio Theatre Foyer Update from Project coordinator, Michael Manuell.
   1.1. Michael met with builders, Peter Bartlett and Mark Murphy and discussed Terry Bail’s design
   1.2. Terry’s updated proposal – to reduce scope of work and costs now considering creating storage space as a colourful/industrial style free standing unit next to Newman St entrance as an alternative to internal storage space as previously discussed
   1.3. Continue with upgrading of vestibule “break out” space as previously:
   · Polish and acid edge concrete floor and steps
   · Install railing up steps towards toilets
   · Improve lighting
   · Fill in holes and gaps in ceiling and walls to make weather proof
   · Paint walls etc
   · Fill in wire screen – walls with polycarbonate
   · Maintain the frame and wire screen of double doors leading to school yard but cover with polycarbonate or reframe and fill with montage of recycled timber and other materials
   · Install platforms on stairs to be used as seating
   · Install strip drain in front of foyer door to prevent flooding
   · Need to consider access to toilets and use of this area by Year 12
   1.4. Window/box office – remains unresovled
   1.5. Discussion re should metal screens be covered in a way that allows airflow – eg as a metal sash window
1.6. Still need to consult with senior students

1.7. Outcome: Terry, Mark and Peter will provided a detailed breakdown quote.

7. Faculty representation – Visual Arts:
   - Previously 2 parents liaised with each faculty however recently this has become the convenors connecting with the relevant faculty head. Lucy (parent rep from Visual Arts) is now “retiring” – there is a need for someone else to fill this role.
   - Discussion re organising a dinner between showcase and end of year, supper after HSC Drama and Dance presentation night.

8. Ensemble information dissemination:
   - There is a lack of communication to parents re showcase dates, requirements, HSC presentations, practical aspects of ensemble and company, performing at the Opera House and Seymour Centre, City Recital Hall etc.
   - Jan Idle (Yr 7 parent) has offered to prepare a template to gather information regarding: What parent’s need, how to gather relevant information and how to interface with the website
   - Outcome: raise Jan Idle’s proposal at next P&C meeting

9. OTHER BUSINESS:
   - Discussion re HSC Dance lead by Mary:
     - There should be lead up public performances for HSC Dance students as there are for Drama and Music students.
     - Problem in identifying a venue and scheduling (there are about 70 Dance students).
     - Such performances should be advertised so that Yr 11 students can attend
     - OUTCOME: discuss this at next P&C meeting and raise with Steve to explore what opportunities can be created to allow this to happen

   - Discussion re investigating the formation of an Alumni Group. Could use Google groups. This also relates to the 21st Birthday Showcase celebration

   - 21st birthday showcase (30 Nov): limited guest list because of seating. Should remove stage extension to make way for more seating. Could be an opportunity to attract a patron. Terms for a Senior Patron (someone connected to the performing arts) and a Junior Patron (more direct contact with the student body) have already been drafted.

Meeting closes: 8.35pm
Next meeting 18 October 2011