BRIGIDINE P&F ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING Oct 26th 2010

PRESIDENT’S REPORT 2010

Firstly I would like to start by thanking all of you for attending the meeting this evening.

The first complete year of the Brigidine P&F has been achieved and I feel that we have had a very successful year. It was always my intention when I accepted the position of president to go with the saying "we need to crawl before we can walk and walk before we can run". We have crawled along nicely during the year and the many events we participated in were done efficiently, with enthusiasm and I feel were all a great success.

Last December we ran the “2nd Hand Book Sale” which is not a money making exercise for the P&F but an attempt to do something which enables many families to save literally hundreds of dollars on text books. The number of parents who offered to help at the Book Sale was overwhelming. This year we intend to have an even better Book Sale.

We started the 2010 school year off with a “Parent Meet & Greet” for the entire school. It was held on the Cullen Centre veranda with over 160 parents attending. The night’s success was due to the work of the P&F, music being provided by the students, food prepared and served by the hospitality students and wonderful support and encouragement of Ms Edmondson, Ms McGahan & John Beehag.

The TAS, Art and Music evenings were all events that the P&F were keen to support during 2010 and great thanks needs to go to Cathy Goodieson our Fundraising Co-ordinator. Cathy has created a wonderful working relationship with the TAS department over the last few years and Cathy’s organising of the raffle enabled the P&F to raise enough money to donate $1000.00 back to the TAS department to go towards purchasing a catwalk that will be used for many years to come. We hope our support of the TAS, Art & Music evenings will continue to grow.

Another initiative of the P&F was to have a “mother/daughter” movie night at the Ritz Cinema. I would like to thank Allison Roberts & Elizabeth Cummings for co-ordinating this evening. The movie night is something we would like to try and have around Mother’s Day each year.
One of my personal goals as president this year was to establish a “2nd Hand Uniform Shop” in the school. With the support of my committee, our principal, Maria in the print room and the wonderful ladies who work at the front office the “2nd Hand Uniform Shop” became a reality. On Monday, 20th September we were able to sell $450.00 worth of 2nd hand clothing. I did my calculations for one sale that I made and a mum who has a daughter starting in Year 7 in 2011 was able to purchase over $400.00 worth of clothing for $90.00. I would like to thank all the Brigidine Parents who donated their daughters' uniforms in such beautiful condition. We plan to hold our next sale in conjunction with the Book Sale.

Finally to my wonderful committee; Allison Roberts, Sue Suchy, Nancy Wang, Cathy Goodieson, Michaela Wesson and Elizabeth Cummings. Thank you for your wonderful support which has made my year as president a very rewarding and enjoyable one.

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