

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE GOVERNING BODY
OF CATHOLIC SPECIAL SCHOOLS INCORPORATED

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held in the Board Room, 1st Floor, 39 Wakefield Street, Adelaide on Tuesday, 3rd March, 1992.

His Grace, Archbishop Leonard Faulkner welcomed members and opened the meeting with a prayer at 3.05 p.m.

Present His Grace, Archbishop Faulkner (who presided), Mr. John McDonald, Director of Catholic Education, Mr. Dale West, Director of Catholic Family Services, Sr. Loreto O'Connor, Principal, St. Patrick's School, Mr. Claude Hamam, Principal of St. Ann's School, Mr. David Prince, Treasurer and Mr. Greg Neagle, Secretary.

Apologies Nil.

Minutes Moved Sr. Loreto, seconded Mr. Hamam that minutes of meeting held on 6th March, 1991 be confirmed. Carried.

Business Arising Constitution - Copy of constitution as submitted to meeting was formally adopted after the following amendments -

Page 7, No. 11, Part IV to be deleted.
Page 11, Section 14, Part 2 - "His Office" to be changed to "the office".

Moved Mr. Hamam, seconded Sr. Loreto that the amended drafted constitution be adopted. Carried.

Appreciation of the work of Roger Stuart.

Financial Reports Audited copies of operating and capital statements for the year ended 31.12.91 showed -

St. Patrick's School	Recurrent surplus	\$51,708
	Capital Surplus	12,664
St. Ann's School	Recurrent surplus	12,863
	Capital surplus	9,510

Actual surplus of income over expenditure for the year for both schools substantially exceeded budget estimates due mainly to grants and State per capita amounts not expected and LSL taken by Mr. Hamam which meant a saving of \$7,000. Both school finances are now in a healthy state, but there is the possibility of salary costs escalating if the St. Patrick's school principal leaves and is replaced by a lay person. Another factor to consider is the unknown impact of the coming review of both schools by the Special Education Consultative Committee, later this year. Consequently careful scrutiny of finances will still need to be continued. Moved Sr. Loreto, seconded Mr. McDonald that Financial Reports be received. Carried.

Budget 1992 - Second draft budgets for 1992 predicted -

St. Patrick's	Surplus	\$46,870
St. Ann's	Deficit	\$19,660

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Mr. Prince confirmed that salary cost estimates had been worked on February, 1992 salaries as a starting point and due allowance made for any increases to come during the year. Moved Mr. McDonald, seconded Sr. Loreto that Budget Estimates be accepted. Carried.

School
Reports

Written reports from both principals were tabled and copies are attached to minutes.

Both principals spoke on their reports and the following points were taken up and discussed.

1. Equal Opportunity legislation and the effect on both schools if the current leaving age of twenty years is no longer legal. Certainly it would appear that exemption will need to be sought as a first step.
2. Interchange of staff between the Special Schools and the other schools in the Catholic Education system. Mr. McDonald suggested that this matter be brought up at the Principals' Association meeting.
3. Mr. West asked that numbers of students on the waiting list at each school be given. Answer - St. Patrick's fifteen and St. Ann's nine.
4. His Grace asked what was the situation regarding religious education in the schools. Both principals confirmed that a Religious Education Co-ordinator was appointed in each school and Priests from the relative parishes visited each school on a regular basis.

His Grace again thanked the principals, staff members and parents for their efforts during the past year.

Election of
Officers

It was moved Sr. Loreto, seconded that David Prince continue as Treasurer and that Mr. B.P. Kelly be again appointed Auditor. Carried.

Sr. Loreto advised that Mrs Antoinette Edginton and Mr. Art Eckerman had been elected as representatives to the Board of Management from St. Patrick's P&F Association and Mr. Rino Cavuoto has a further year of a two-year term as teacher representative.

Mr. Hamam advised that Roger Stuart and Michael O'Neill had been elected as representatives to the Board of Management from St. Ann's P&F Association and Glenda Samuel to continue her two-year term as teacher representative.

General
Business

Nil

Meeting closed at 4.20 p.m.