

Howard Harrison

From: keith turton [alexkjt@bigpond.com]
Sent: Thursday, 19 November 2009 2:42 PM
To: Provincial
Cc: PSO NSW; Howard Harrison
Subject: Re: Cairns contact

Jeff I had long conversation with him and expected him to get back to me. Thought that was the agreement. Partly I suspect he is double checking to see if we are telling truth. Don't think I was evasive.

Probably best to identify who can speak for College and Marists at this stage and also have authority to organise mediations if necessary. I agree that a meeting with a mediator my help. Maybe with Gerry and Peter Rodney. O lot of agenda about being denied openings to scholarships etc that others were offered. I suspect a lot of misinterpretation. Pretty sure Jason P is trying to convince this man to go legal but I don't think he wants that. Sounded genuine to me. Peter R remembers him well.

If it would help I am happy to discuss with Howard and Michael Salmon to check processes and risks. We probably need to point out to the man that eventually fms 'are' the College and the Brothers.

Alex

On 18/11/2009, at 9:32 PM, Provincial wrote:

What is the next step?

From: Br. Michael Green [mailto:brmichael@sac.qld.edu.au]
Sent: Wednesday, November 18, 2009 4:25 PM
To: Provincial
Subject: Cairns contact

Jeff

Yesterday I called the complainant about whom we spoke on the weekend, as he had requested.

It was a long and rather circuitous conversation. Hard to know which way he wants to go, but there's plenty of angst just at the moment. Overall he says that he's not so upset about R Murrin whom he regards as sick, and is now in gaol anyway – but he is quite worked up about G Burns (whom he sees as presiding over it all, “and was later awarded an OAM”), A Moraghan (whom he feels humiliated and excluded him) and P Rodney (whom he sees as not doing anything about it), and most specifically the College itself because he doesn't see it being proactive in uncovering and dealing with its past. His specific request is that I make Peter aware that he would like to make contact with him. I feel he would also like to have some mediation with Gerry Burns down the track. I suspect that mediation may help to set things right for him.

He's done his homework and has followed the subsequent career paths of the three men, in

question.

He was grateful for his telephone conversation with Alex whom he found to be very understanding and responsive. He is, though, looking for a more specific response from the College itself, or the people who were here at the time.

Michael

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