

Minutes of Knox Grammar School Council Meeting, 17th October, 1990

At Wahroonga and within the Main School the Council of Knox Grammar School met pursuant to Notice. The meeting was duly Constituted with prayer by the Headmaster.

Sederunt :

There were present Mr. M. D. Ireland in the Chair, Mrs. H. Jones and Mrs. P. Walker, Messrs. J. L. Cameron, E. Craig Miller, P. J. Roach and R. B. Perkins, Dr. James A. White and Mr. Brooks C. Wilson, and Dr. I. W. Paterson, Headmaster.

Apologies :

An apology for non-attendance was recorded on behalf of the Reverends A. L. Finlay and A. F. Smart, Dr. C. Ferguson, Mr. C. W. Love and Mr. J. L. Kyle, Secretary to the Council.

Confirmation of Minutes :

Minutes of the meeting held on 20th September, 1990, as circulated to Members of Council, were taken as Read and Confirmed.

Business Arising from the Minutes :

4.1

Barker Centenary Gift

The Headmaster reported the purchase of two Bibles at \$420 each. To be embossed with the Barker emblem. Presentation occasion to be determined by Headmaster.

4.2

Invitation to Foundation Chairman

Special meeting set for 12th November, 1990, with Mr. Peter Bull.

4.3

"Impressions of Knox" - Confirmation of Quote

The figure originally quoted by Fine Arts Press is now subject to an additional 3% and this will hold until May, 1991.

It was Agreed that the quotation of \$56,375.00 + 3% be accepted.

Correspondence :

The following correspondence was received :
from - Rob Ferguson - re School Badge.

Headmaster's Report :

The Headmaster spoke to his report which had been circulated to Members of Council. The various items were Noted.

Also mentioned was the problem of the Mt. Penang boys, who cause severe problems with neighbourhood residents through poor behaviour.

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HEADMASTER'S REPORT TO COUNCIL

12 October, 1990.

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As on report from Staff Committee (meets 16 October).

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Report on thefts. The one, at Camp done by boys from Mt. Penang Children's Home who have been charged. Dept. of Family & Community Services says it will reimburse Knox for all losses.

The other, at Marramarra Creek where we foolishly "hid" equipment used to construct a cable bridge overnight - it was stolen. Theft reported to Gosford Police. Value approximately \$2000.

Dining - Hall almost complete - an excellent building.

One of the four septic systems has been properly repaired.

The slab, and subfloor plumbing for the new laundry has been laid.

The Knox Parents' Association maintenance work has done a super job of work, saving us much money. I attach a list of on-going and complete projects.

Purchase has been made of a second-hand pontoon wharf at \$7000 - concrete encased - which will provide a wharf at the railway track up the hill.

Stuart Pearson advises that John Perks sought to have copies of each key at the School (500 of them!); a massive backlog of teacher's requests; slow implementation of new system meant some teachers carrying up to 7 keys; plus keys of boarding houses, 7/9 Woodville, Chapel, Drama Centre and Assembly Hall. The School is now virtually completely rekeyed with only the Hornsby Locksmith able to issue a new key and only on my signature. There is the regular on going maintenance for tumblers which need repair. There are still 150 locks (old type) that need gradual replacement at \$100 each. We expect annual charges to be around \$2500 once all this work is complete.