

Tintern Old Girls Association

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COMBINED OLD GIRLS 'ASSOCIATION (COGA)

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2012

Minutes

Meeting declared open at 2.13 with an address by Mrs Jenny Collins, Principal of Tintern Schools who had also conducted a tour of the school for interested groups prior to the meeting.

Present: Host: Tintern Schools

Firbank, Ivanhoe, Korowa, Lauriston, Melbourne Girls Grammar, MLC, PLC, Presentation College

Windsor, Ruyton, St Catherines, Strathcona, Toorak College

Apologies: Lowther Hall, Genazzano, Sacre Coeur, Mentone, Hermitage, Kilvington, Loreto, Clyde

Correspondence: There was no correspondence

Previous Minutes: Lowther Hall was unable to attend and therefore could not provide minutes from the previous COGAGM.

Format

Four questions were asked collectively before attendees were divided into groups with a representative of each school spread across groups where numbers permitted. There were a series of discussion points addressed with each schools responses noted.

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The initial questions were:

What do we expect to get out of these AGMs?

National Council of Women – suggested as a positive step

Networking/make connections

Information and idea sharing (forums)

great support system and opportunities to share successes and hardships

try additional meetings of schools that may want to develop a part of their association, are their overseas similar organisations - UK, USA etc

School Tour - appreciate what other schools offer

Strategies

Best Practice

bringing issues back to school - empowered for change

guest speaker / panel

lovely that people are generous to share their ideas

it would be nice to have some vehicle for more consistent and constant communication between meetings.

school rep on Old Girls Council - what works, what doesn't work

issues each school has as we all have the same ones

fundraising and how funds are used

better to have discussions

very useful to have solutions to problems

once a year isn't a burden - the more help the better

group is useful if all the age groups are represented - hard to work out how to target year groups when don't have ?? On their year levels

communicating ideas

pros and cons of different activities that are conducted - which are most successful

minutes to be distributed promptly

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How many Old Girls are represented on their School Boards/Councils?

Board Council Representatives, -12 – some in constitution

How many schools are incorporated separately? 6

Do all schools have Development Officers/Community Relations/Alumni Staff? If so, who pays their salaries? Development Officer 12 paid for by the school, 1 paid for by alumni

Discussion Questions (attached)

Social Media how is this handled? Who has control? Input?

Committee members how are new committee members gathered?

Average length of time on committee, if known?

Is there or should there be a time limit for Office Bearers?

Fees What fees are charged for members?

How is it paid?

If it comes from the initial deposit, how did this happen?

Fundraising Is it required? What has been successful?

What do they give their funds raised to?

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Mentoring what do they do?

Procedures manual do they have one?

Year 12 Leaving Gifts what if anything, do they give?

Interschool Old Girls Tennis Day what is happening?

Meeting closed at 3.40pm followed by Afternoon Tea

Next Meeting at Lauriston 2013, Ivanhoe 2014