MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING
Held Tuesday 21st June, 2016
Conference Room
Delayed until 8.15 due to briefing with elected council members with Sarah Burns at 7.00pm

Meeting Opened : 8.15pm

1. ATTENDANCE
   Present: Elizabeth Bradley (President), Richard Elstone (Deputy President), Glenn Chadwick, Mark Weatherley, Vasiliky Kasidis, Darren Hawkless, Gary Hughes, Carol Duggan, David Russell, Gayle Steinfort, Louise Rieniets, Maurice Woolcock, Prue Tarpey (minutes)
   Apologies: James Malliaros (Treasurer), Inny Smit

   All were welcomed by the President to the Council meeting including the newest members of the Council, Vas Kasidis and Gayle Steinfort.

2. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING
   Motion: Tabled Minutes dated 17th May 2016 be confirmed and ratified.

   Moved: Richard Elstone            Seconded: Darren Hawkless    Carried

3. BUSINESS ARISING

   Moved:                          Seconded:                  Carried

4. COUNCIL MEMBER ARTICLE FOR NEWSLETTER

   Glenn Chadwick – June 21, 2016
5. STARRING OF AGENDA

Motion: Reports presented that are not starred be accepted and passed by Council

Moved: Louise Rieniets  Seconded: Mark Weatherley  Carried

6. CORRESPONDENCE

IN:

OUT: Letter to Mark Dreyfus highlighting the lack of funding MGSC has received in recent years and inviting him to visit the college and discuss this issue with Council and school community.

7. REPORTS

7.1 Principal’s Report

Congratulations to Gayle Steinfort who has been appointed Acting Assistant Principal for the duration. Lisa Kosack has been appointed Junior School Leader and Anthony Bruhn as Year 8 student manager (ABCD).

A PE / Health teacher will be appointed on a 0.6 time fraction due to the staff reshuffle.

House music competitions were recently held. Kenny the overall winners. The competitions provided great team and individual performances.

Year 7 & 8 music performances were held 1st June and all girls performed well. The growth in confidence between the years is amazing and I was impressed how this program facilitates such confidence in the students – music growth and personal growth.

Our Aerobics team under the guidance of Tess Molina qualified for and have competed well at State level but unfortunately did not make it through to the National finals.

Mid-year exams are now completed for year 9 – 11. Second semester has already commenced. The school is often asked why we persist with the practise of exams, but whilst exams are continued to be used as a main source of calculation of year 12 results, we will continue to prepare the girls for them.

Reports for Semester 1 will be on Compass to view at 3.30pm on 22nd June.
7.2 Finance

Motions:
1. That the Financial Report for May 2016, together with the Purchase Card and Accounts paid & payable, be accepted and passed for payment.

Due to the Finance meeting being postponed for this month, this item will be presented at the next Council meeting.

7.3 Student Environment

Approval for France Tour 2017

Carol Duggan asked Council for initial approval to present and obtain definite approval for the 2017 France tour from the Regional Director. Under new rules (post IBAC) all international tours of this nature must be approved by the Regional Director.

The merits of such tours was discussed.

Motion: That the French trip 2017 as presented be accepted and passed by Council
Moved: Mark Weatherley Seconded: Gary Hughes Carried

Approval for Outdoor Ed Camps and Adventure Activities

The Outdoor Education camp to Wilson’s Prom and other tabled Adventure Activities requiring council approval and their associated Risk registers were presented for approval.

Motion: That the Outdoor Education camps and adventure activities presented be accepted and passed by Council
Moved: Mark Weatherley Seconded: Louise Rieniets Carried

Alpine School Camp – School of Student Leadership

Permission was sought from Council to apply to the Alpine School for the opportunity for four of our Year 9 Students to attend this camp.

Motion: That the Alpine School Camp application and if successful participation of our students be accepted and passed by Council
Moved: Darren Hawkless Seconded: Gary Hughes Carried
7.4 Professional Development

No Report

7.5 Facilities Report

No discussion held

7.6 Parents & Friends Association

No Report

8. OTHER BUSINESS

Gayle Steinfort presented some proposed changes the commencement of the school year for 2017.

It was proposed:

Year 7’s and Year 12’s would start school on 31 January 2017. Year 8, 9, 10 and 11 students would start on 1 February 2017.

Enable:

Year 7 students to get orientated within the school, get all housekeeping issues out of the way (ICT, lockers, timetables, site orientation etc.) before the rest of the girls arrive and staff who are involved in this can be freed from commitments to other classes.

Year 12 students would start their Conference on the first two days of school.

The Welcome Assembly would now take place on day 3 of the new school year.

Motion: That the above changes to the commencement of the school year be accepted and passed by Council

Moved: Mark Weatherley Seconded: Vas Kasidis Carried

David Russell asked Council to accept a change in the number of International Students that the school accepts.

Currently this is set at 30 students, but as we have some students who are not involved in the ELC program nor homestay, but their visa status says they are categorised as an overseas student, he would like to increase the number accepted to 35.

Motion: That the above changes to the number of International Students allowed to attend MGSC be extended from 30 to 35.

Moved: Richard Elstone Seconded: Louise Rieniets Carried
The College Council President signed off the report. 

Mrs Elizabeth Bradley

DINNER AT 6.30PM

Meeting closed: 9pm


Dinner at 7pm, Council meeting at 7.30pm