



St Francis Catholic College

FRIENDS OF FRANCIS

Monday 8th September 2025 at 5:30 pm

(Meet outside College Office) - SFCC Staff Common Room

<p>Chairperson: Kate Acosta St Francis Representatives: Matthew McMahon (MCMM), Rita Agostino (AGOR)</p>	<p>Meeting Notes: Rita Agostino (AGOR)</p>
<p>Present: Kate Acosta, Michelle Coe, Belinda Mangos, Sarah Heard, Ana Reddy, Jessica Arundell</p>	<p>Apologies: Natasa Zulamoski, Nilesh Prasad, Monica Prasad, Liz Henson, Renee Sermetovski, Antonia Barisic, Maria Dao, Anita Scherer, Magda Cogiel-Gandera</p>

Previous Meeting Actions to be followed up		
AGENDA ITEM:	MEETING NOTES:	ACTION:
<p>- General Business - Noone store size</p>	<p>Action: MCMM to follow up with Noone / CEO</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - CEO Properties team has indicated the limitations we face now and going forward. This can be part of future conversations when the Senior Building comes into consideration. <p>Michelle Coe - Is there a possibility of extending times/days. Current opening hours are not suitable for working parents. MCMM - Noone is an external company. Will speak with Michael at Noone to check the possibility. Michelle Coe - At the beginning of the year it is by appointment only. If it is extended to after 4pm that would be useful. Ana Reddy - It would be beneficial to extend hours on Friday.</p>	<p>McMM to speak with Michael Farrugia (CEO TR&G)</p>
<p>- Possible Fun Run</p>	<p>Action: Ana to find out which company her school uses. Ana Reddy - Dance to be fit K-6 The company has inflatables.</p>	<p>Ana to followup</p>

New Meeting Items & Discussion Notes		
AGENDA ITEM:	MEETING NOTES:	ACTION:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Acknowledgement of Country - MCMM 		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Prayer - AGOR 	<p>Loving God, We gather this day in the spirit of St Francis, to work together for the good of our College community. Bless our Friends of Francis with wisdom, patience and generosity of heart.</p> <p>Guide our conversations, so that all we say and do may bring glory to You and strengthen the bonds of friendship and service among us. May our efforts nurture the growth of our children, support our staff, and build a community grounded in faith, hope and love.</p> <p>We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.</p> <p><i>St Francis... Pray for us.</i> <i>Blessed Edmund.... Pray for Us</i> <i>Live Jesus in our Hearts Forever</i></p>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Facilitators - AGOR 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mrs Kate Acosta (Friends of Francis Facilitator) Ms Antonija Barisic (Friends of Francis Fundraising Facilitator) Mrs Maria Spiros (Friends of Francis Social / Community Facilitator) 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Housekeeping - AGOR 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> General WHS & Evacuation Process Location of Facilities Tea & Coffee available Shorter Meeting tonight (CatholicCare Meeting to follow) 	

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Group Operating Norms - Kate Acosta 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Be present & active listeners 2. Stay on topic & be solutions-focused 3. Value the contributions of all present 4. Remember that issues/complaints are to be referred to/through appropriate College channels” 	<p>Ongoing - to be shared at all meetings</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Open Meeting - Kate Acosta <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Apologies ○ Introductions around the room 	<p>Apologies - See above</p>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Minutes of Previous Meeting 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Minutes on College Website under Parents Tab/ Parent School Partnership 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Principal’s report 	<p>Recent events</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● “Francis Frontline” Videos on Youtube ● KOLT is very passionate about this space. Videos have been added onto YouTube ● Enrolment Update <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Year 7 2027 - Interviews will take place in Term 3 - Weeks 6 to 8. ○ There is a waiting list for K-10 ○ 250 applications for Kindergarten. ○ Year 11 increases in 2026 from 118 to 165. ● Traffic Management - update <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ School Zone requested - Guillement Rd is currently not a school zone. ○ Additional School Crossing Supervisor approved and commenced <p>Michelle Coe - Have High school students been informed about road safety rules. Many students are not alert when crossing the road. AGOR - Students have been reminded about road safety at various assemblies and in pastoral.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Friends of Francis Breakfast Club <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Letter of Offer for \$10,000 from Liverpool Catholic Club has been received! 	

- Further Actions to be communicated in Term 4

- **College Success:**

- VET Student of the Year - Diocese of Wollongong - Stephanie G Year 12

- **Sporting success:**

- Boys Senior Dio Volleyball - 2nd
- Two great successes
 - Anthony T. PSSA Year 6 NSW Team - Football
 - Ivy M - congratulations PSSA Year 6 NSW Team - Netball

Kate Acosta - Is there money to support students making the PSSA team?

Uniform is expensive - Approx \$500

Ivy's mum has contacted Kate seeking some assistance from this group.

This is a huge achievement for these students.

MCM - Do we want to support something like this?

We have \$2500 in community partnerships

Ana Reddy - Do we develop some guidelines to support students reaching this level in future?

Kate Acosta - Do we do a gold coin donation in future?

Agreed: The full \$500 will be donated to assist with the purchase of the uniform. We will need to see the cost of Soccer for Anthony T.

- **Student Leadership Processes** - 4, 8, 10, 11 - nearing completion - Investiture in Term 4 - details to be shared with the community when all names are determined/announced

- **Cyclic Inquiry update:**

- Very positive feedback.
- Various recommendations provided - to be shared in Term 4

- **Upcoming Events:**

- Parent/carer Forum - Term 4 - details TBC

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Financial Report 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Family College Partnerships (FCP) Care Committee Account Current Balance: \$2.456.27 CR ● Matthew McMahon & Natasa Zulamoski are now dual signatories on the account. (updated Fri 15th August 2025) Former Principal Simon Abernethy was officially removed from the Account (replaced by MM) 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Social/Community 	<p>Next function / event? Carols - TBC Term 4 Other?</p> <p>Agreed: There will be a focus on Carols for Term 4.</p> <p>MCOMM - We will be celebrating our 10 Years of operations next year. Possibility of organising a dinner.</p>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Fundraising 		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Educative Component 	CatholicCare Sessions to follow tonight	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● General Business item/s 	<p>Ana Reddy - Inquired about the CAPA night. Was it a success? How many students attended</p> <p>AGOR - As this was our first event, there was a limit on tickets. Approx 400 tickets were issued to family members and friends. Huge success. Tickets were \$5 which covered the cost for a sausage sizzle and a drink.</p> <p>Community funds - Upcoming expenses \$100 000 play equipment TAS shed - C and C Router Mural Volleyball net being added on the artificial turf.</p>	

Meeting Close: 6:00 pm

Next Meeting: College Staff Common Room

Date: (TBC) - currently Monday, November 10th 2025

Time: 6:00 pm