

BayView State School P&C Association
President's Annual General Meeting Report
February 2020

Firstly I'd like to say that being the President of the P&C for 2019 has been very rewarding and has given me a lot of challenges along the way both personally and professionally. I thoroughly enjoy what the role entails and hope to continue leading the Association for 2020.

I would like to thank the Executive Committee, Kerri, Elke and Samantha for their efforts and valuable contribution throughout the year. Having a competent team of individuals working alongside each other and taking on these important roles saw us achieve some wonderful things. I would also like to thank Peter for his time with me every week and his guidance and words of encouragement. His administration team also deserves a huge thank you for their commitment to our Association.

I have been proud to represent the Association during the Leadership Selection process, the 2020 Leadership Investiture, ANZAC Day Ceremony, Star Awards and speaking to all the new Prep parents at the Information Evening late last year.

A couple of days after the ANZAC Day Ceremony my father passed away, this sent me into a bit of a downward spiral. He was the President of the Victoria Point Bowls Club at the time and my role model for everything business and finance related. I thought being the President of the P&C, together we could bounce ideas off one another and kick some goals, but unfortunately I couldn't call on him any longer and felt pretty lost. I constantly ask myself, even to this day, what would he do in this situation... so I tried my best to move onwards and upward and make him proud. In June/July, I decided to nominate for the role of Director on the P&C's QLD Board of Directors panel. I attended the P&C Annual Conference in September where the outcome of the nominations was to be announced, unfortunately I was unsuccessful. The whole weekend was full of valuable information, all of which I could adapt and ideally love to implement to our school community. The two major themes I took away from the conference were getting more Dad's to volunteer and Strategic Planning, the quote of the weekend was "Strategy eats Culture for Breakfast"!

The year has gone by very quickly and I've summarised our achievements in the little brochure attached. In addition to the brochure, we have also supported the Chaplaincy Program and provided ongoing financial support, our new Chappy however didn't join us until the later half of 2019 but we look forward to working together in 2020.

Everyone these days seems to be a little time poor, we are working longer and harder to support our families and our own health and wellbeing. So being a volunteer at our awesome school takes a huge amount of dedication and I would like to acknowledge everyone who has helped make our Association a success in 2019. If you helped at a fundraiser, in the cafe, in the uniform shop or donated your time in any other way, I truly appreciate your efforts and contribution!

Lastly I would like to thank my family and friends for their continued support, I wouldn't be able to function without you. My three school kids have seen "cranky" mum first hand but they are my biggest supporters and at the end of the day, we do it for the kids at BayView... OUR kids... OUR school... OUR family...

Thank you and I look forward to another successful year ahead!

Casey Saade