



RBHS Randwick Boys' High School

P&C Meeting Minutes

Tuesday 16 June 2015

Chair: Sally Durham, P&C President

1. Record of attendance

Parents : Sally Durham; Nasser Attia; Adriana Skleparis; Rachel Daly; Maria Hoareau; Tina Cotis; Rosie Mobbs; Jacqui Coughlan; Renate Kernecker; Kris Kotopoulos; Glen Kotopoulos ; Birgit Schickinger; Frances Jones, Sarah Brill, Laura Tamir, Jasmin Hamid, Natalie Keledjian

Staff : Olga Sofo (Relieving Principal); Yiota Loizou (Relieving Deputy Principal); Jennie Harold (Head Teacher Administration); David Foster (Head Teacher English)

2. Apologies

Apologies received and recorded from Alex Luxford and Janet Evans.

3. Confirmation of previous meeting minutes

MOTION : That the minutes of the previous meeting held on Tuesday 19 May 2015 be adopted and accepted as a true and accurate record.

MOVED : Rachel Daly

SECONDED : Adriana Skleparis

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

4. Business arising from Minutes of Meeting from 19 May 2015

No business recorded as arising from the previous Minutes of 19 May 2015.

5. Correspondence

P&C President received email correspondence from the current P&C Secretary, Ruth Williams, seeking to step down from the position due to ill health. The P&C needs to now elect a replacement Secretary at this evening's meeting.

6. Presentations by Teachers

1) Jennie Harold, Head Teacher Administration

Ms Harrold - 6 years at RBHS.

Areas of responsibilities are HR; employing casuals and temporary staff; duty rosters; timetables; school photos; vaccinations. In 2015, she is the Team Leader/ Technology Team. Room for RBHS to embrace what's happening in 21st century learning. Planning to improve home-school links and communication through applied technology.

MyEDiary : Will introduce to integrate with our school software and have students use it as a diary. Teachers will be able to open a live chat diary with parents. Parents can view it to see the school timetable and what homework is due. Move to upgrade student welfare software from Academy to Sentral system, to integrate with MyEDiary. The Tech Team to trial MyEDiary on Term 3 Staff Development Day (Monday 13 July 2015) with plan to bring it into full swing for 2016.

Google Apps for Education – will look to replace Moodle at school. Amazing Apps in this package. Digital environments to deliver content.

2) **David Foster, Head Teacher English**

Mr Foster – just started Term 1/ 2015 year at RBHS.

Debating : With support and assistance of parent, Rosie Mobbs, our Year 8 Debating Team recently beat the Sydney Boys' High School 'A' team. Our boys now go into the next/ 2nd round, which has not happened before. Years 7-8-9-10 are registered in the Premier's Debating Team this Friday 19 June. Rosie has put in a lot of effort.

Super Six : Propose to introduce these thinking strategies for literacy development to assist students to actively process ideas while reading. *Connecting, predicting, questioning, monitoring, summarising and visualising* – these six super skills form a repertoire for actively processing text and making meaning. It gives the reader a range of skills to comprehend what's on the page and to 'put their hand up'. It's about scaffolding the learning – setting students up for success. Liverpool Boys' HS made a \$250K p.a. investment in this program. At RBHS, we will unfold Super Six for remainder of 2015 and into 2016.

Google Classroom : Google Apps for Education is a mature, web-based environment that enables teachers and students to collaborate and share their work. It will be interactive, independent/ accountable.

Double Marking : Papers are marked by two teachers. Get a substantive conversation going, where the student submits a draft copy before the due time.

7. **Reports-**

President – Sally Durham

Re: Present for retiring Principal, Wayne Duncombe, will take any contributions tonight from parents. Renate Kernecker in school office has envelope and parents can drop by with a donation. The P&C will give \$200.00 towards a gift and then top up with personal contributions towards the gift of a bottle of red wine, plus Westfield voucher and card. Plan is to give the gift to Wayne at the Trivia Night this coming Saturday 20 June 2015.

'Comedy for a Cause' – Involves comedians from the International Comedy Festival. It could become a P&C fundraiser evening for parents. Will discuss further, but lock in Saturday 21 November on calendar as a P&C event.

Olga Sofu : Relieving President

Our front of school electronic sign board has been operating 2 weeks now. Staff has been trained in its use. Key messages and needs form the basis for the signs. With Wayne Duncombe's retirement as Principal, Olga is in the position as Relieving Principal, while Ms Loizou will take on Olga's role as Relieving Deputy Principal. Study Skills program moving ahead - 2nd series seminars with Elevate Educate. In-house seminars conducted to build upon skills from Term 1/2015. Ms Loizou has been very successful in developing this.

Gifted & Talented (GAT) – 3rd intake year (2016) with May 26 2015 session by Anna Edwards. Closing date for G&T applications is 30 June 2015, followed by exam for Yr7/2016, also applications for exam for Yr8 and Yr9. There is an external provider for these exams. G&T class to be formulated by end of Term 3/2015. Parents informed for 2016 by end of Term 3/2015. The current G&T students will rollover into their next class in 2016.

Treasurer – Alexandra Skleparis

Current balance is \$12,043.30 with all cheques presented.

Note : P&C is yet to pay a contribution of \$2,000 towards the 3-D Printer sought by Nick Frougas, Head Teacher TAS Faculty, as carried unanimously per Minutes Meeting 17 March 2015.

8. Agenda Items

a. Election of new P&C Secretary

As no one person showed an interest in taking on the position, it will now become a shared job.

MOTIONED : That the position of P&C Secretary become a shared role between Tina Cotis and Jacqui Coughlan.

MOVED : Sally Durham

SECONDED : Maria Hoareau

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b. P&C Plan : Sub-Committees Establishment

Have people who want to be on these committees get together in between P&C meetings and progress matters. Exchange mobile numbers and emails if you want to work through on things.

c. Parent representatives to work with teachers

Olga Sofo to raise with teachers and get back to Sally Durham, if there is a teacher(s) who would like to work with the contact committees.

d. Future P&C meeting frequency and dates

Term 3/2015 has 3 Tuesday meetings - 21 July, 18 August and 18 September. Term 4/2015 has 2 Tuesday meetings - 20 October and 17 November 2015.

e. Funding Selection Criteria finalisation

f. Discussion on Nominations for RBHS Teaching Staff Awards

g. Funding Application – Duke of Edinburgh Award

Jim Dimopoulos, RBHS Careers Adviser, is asking \$1000.00 p.a. for the next 5 years.

DECISION : Carry forward to next meeting, Tuesday 21 July 2015, when P&C will need to vote on allocation of funds to Duke of Edinburgh Award.

h. P&C Liaison for Anti-Bullying Review Team

DECISION : Sally Durham and Tina Cotis will continue to be parent reps for P&C and liaise with Leah Pappin to bring information to/ from the Anti-Bullying Review Team.

Adriana Skelparis : UPDATE Trivia Night, Saturday 20 June 2015s

Sales are going well. Have a few more tables. Tickets are selling. Donations are coming in. AMART gave \$1,000.00 in product as incentives. Californian Smash Repairs are putting in again. To get access into Hall after 9:30am on Saturday 20 June need to check w/Louise in Admin what kids' sports are on.

Sally D: Need a 'begging letter' to all P&C attendees to secure more donations.

9. General Business – none to advise.

10. Next ordinary meeting - Tuesday 21 July 2015 at 7:30pm

11. Close of meeting

There being no other business, the meeting closed at 9:18pm.