

RBHS Randwick Boys' High School P&C Meeting Minutes Tuesday 18 August 2015

Chair: Sally Durham, P&C President

1. Record of attendance

Parents: Nasser Attia, Glen Kotopoulos, Jacqui Coughlan, Alexandra Luxford, Rosy Mobbs, Sarah Brill, Kris Kotopoulos, Laura Tamir, Birgit Schickinger, Peter Wong, Sally Durham, Elizabeth Royston, Filiz Demirezen, Janet Evans,

Staff: Olga Sofo, Yuota Loizon

2. Apologies

Apologies received and recorded from Rachel Daley, Maria Hoareau, Tina Cotis Renate Kernecker, Jacquie Coughlan, Adriana Skleparis

3. Confirmation of previous meeting minutes

MOTION: That the minutes of the previous meeting held on Tuesday 16 July 2015 be adopted and accepted as a true and accurate record, with the minor amendments below.

MOVED: Nasser SECONDED: Janet CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Amendments: Principal report mentioning air conditioning in the hall; clarification that the school does not have funds for this and it would need to be a project under community building programme

Date amendment needed on previous minutes from 18 June to 18th July

4. Business arising from Minutes of Meeting from 16 July 2015

No business recorded as arising from the previous Minutes of 16 July 2015.

5. Reports

President – Sally Durham

The Community Building Grant was submitted but no confirmed date for outcome

- Update on selection panel: questions compiled, the ad is online and dates for shortlist interviews confirmed
- Closing date Wednesday 2nd September 2015
- Jim Dimopolous received the cheque for Duke of Edinburgh

6 Olga Sofo - Relieving Principal

School sign – reason for low height of installation: Corporate Signs confirmed the original quote was on a 2 line electronic panel but Wayne decided to go with 4 line electronic panel but the change was not acted upon therefore the design wasn't raised. There was no proper site inspection by them or us and they have determined they can raise the sign. They would dismantle it and hold it by crane and insert raised panels at the bottom and it will be fully functional. Liability is being

- shared between RBHS and Corporate Signs and the RBHS share of the cost will be \$1700 plus GST. In two weeks the sign should be visible and fully functioning.
- The GAT interviews selection process is underway and prospective students sat for the test mid august and interviews started last week.
- Planning for 2016: subject selection and information night for year 8 two weeks ago and are completed.
- Years 10 into 11 subject selection will be tomorrow night (19th August)
- Could parents remind Year 12 students to remain focused and remind them of appropriate behaviour over during their last few weeks of schooling.
- Security guards are hired and shared between RBHS and RGHS to ensure no issues are created by year 12 students from other schools during the final Year 12 school days.
- The run up to HSC can be a stressful time. The boys' welfare is the priority for year 12 boys and school counsellor is on site as well as head teacher wellbeing if any of the boys need to access them. In addition the District Guidance Office can be accessed if there are problems.
- No significant issues with current year 12 to date
- Presentation night is on Thursday 18th September at South's Juniors. Olga to ensure parents have been notified

7. Treasurer Report presented by Nasser

Balance\$ 13,736.90. Highest balance of the year

8. Agenda Items

Bunnings BBQ

- Volunteers needed for BBQ because it coincides with open day at UNSW.
- Someone needs to be responsible of the pre check and post check with Bunnings and we need to supply all our own foodstuff. Antonella will order bread and sausages
- Sarah Brill volunteered to coordinate and Janet assisting but we need more volunteers. Message to be put in the newsletter.
- Regular BBQ advertisement needed. Sally will send her Mitre 10 ad so we can change the header and logo
- We need to get interest from year 10 and 11 and more volunteers. All monies handled by adults.

Report back from Working Bee and BBQ – Sarah Brill

- Year 7/8 BBQ cancelled as not enough numbers. Laura and Sarah may plan another BBQ and will send a text to confirm
- Working Bee: 4 families came to the working bee. Very effective and ran two
 hours over scheduled time. Garden at the front worked on and GA has been
 watering every day. Some plants already damaged out so it has been cordoned
 off. Olga reported the boys were using the area respectfully and it may have been
 outside users of the school. In future we can signpost the area better to try and
 prevent damage.
- Sally may be able to get sandstone but trip hazards would need to be assessed before proceeding
- Sarah has worked with 'sales force' a cooporate volunteer group who may be able to come and improve our grounds.
- Discussion around future work possibilities and timetable. Sarah and Laura to liaise with Olga.

General Business

- Lockers: Peter and Laura are investigating lockers and the quote is now more expensive than 4 years ago. Concern expressed that previously, lockers were badly advertised in the school and there will need to be a commitment to advertising it more widely if it is to succeed.
- The incoming Principal will be asked to get involved in the lockers and consider different options for management and cost. P & C can fundraise to support initiative if desired and agreed.
- Discussion about school bags on wheels. Rosy to email Laura with flyer about this in case it is more feasible. Some year 7 students are complaining about back pain.
- Home insurance plans can be used to insure student electronic devices (BYOD) electronics.
- Questions about the Band have been raised prospective Year 7 students. Band practice currently with Melissa Olsen is now on Thursday mornings. No plans to rejoin with the girls school concert or jazz band (which stopped for the boys 3 years ago).
- School show this weekend. Friday evening 7.30 and matinee and Saturday 2pm and Saturday night 7.30 pm. The 2pm show was omitted in the newsletter. 4 tickets available for \$30
- 9 **Next ordinary meeting** 18th September 2015 at 7:30pm

10 Close of meeting

There being no other business, the meeting closed at 8.45pm.