

Randwick Boys' High School P&C Meeting Minutes Tuesday 18 October2016

Chair: Nasser Attia

1. Attendance:

Nasser Attia	Lance Raskall	
Glen Kotopoulos	Birgit Schickinger	
Alison Bell	Elizabeth Royston	
Sarah Brill	Natalie Keledjian	
Renate Kernecker		
Laura Tamir		
Ngaire Smith		

- 2. Apologies: Rachel Daly; Emma Digan; Antonella Attia; Adriana Skleparis; Kris Kotopoulos; Alex Luxford; Olga Sofo; Lynn Swinbourne
- **3.** Confirmation of the Minutes for 20 September 2016: Birgit Schickinger (BS) noted that the reference to P&C website is an error and it should read the P&C section on school website. Minutes confirmed by Glen Kotopoulos (GK), seconded by BS.
- 4. Business arising from 20 September 2016 Minutes: Nil
- 5. Correspondence: Nil
- 6. Reports

President's Report

After the last meeting Nasser Attia (NA) had further communication with Jim Dimopoulos (JD) re funding for the Duke of Edinburgh Program. JD had written an email to say after conversations with Lance Raskall (LR) no other funding will be asked for from P&C this year. NA responded that the P&C is open door for future funding.

NA asked LR to request heads of departments come to meetings to give presentations as to what is happening in their department and to ask for funds. LR responded that he has offered this to heads of department but that Gonski funding is currently being used at the school so there is a bit more money this year and head teachers are not feeling that they need to ask for further funding at this stage

NA restated that the purpose of funds collected by the P&C is to channel them back to school

LR requested an increase in funding for presentation day, extending the usual \$1500. There was some discussion as to what the increase in funds would go towards and how the prizes to students would be presented. The extra funding would not be used to increase the monetary value of the prizes received by the boys but would allow the school to offer more prizes. There was a further discussion about the fees charged for Westfield cards, which are currently used as prizes.

The P&C agreed to increase the funding for this year for prizes to \$3000.

Basketball courts

BS has applied for an extension on the grant we have already received. The P&C will be advised in December as to whether we have received further funding. It was agreed that a decision on how to proceed with the court upgrade would be made after this decision is known.

There was some discussion on further funding options with a suggestion that parents could be offered the option of making a bulk donation to a specific program at the school. There was some interest in this idea with discussion centred around the option of crowd funding and how to communicate the call for funding to the wider parent body. A further \$15000 is needed to complete one court upgrade. The P&C has at least \$5000 that can be put towards this project. The P&C agreed to look further into the option of crowd funding or direct request for funds from the parent body at a later date.

Comedy for Cause

Lynda Monteiro-Wallace (LM) from RGHS is doing the majority of the work in regards to this fund raiser. 800 attendees were hoped for. Only 18 have signed up at the time of the meeting. BS advised the meeting that 100 (50 per school) would be enough to go forward and that LM is optimistic. There would be further discussion in 10 days time to see whether there were enough numbers for the event to go ahead.

At the previous meeting LR asked for a member of the P&C to attend a panel for teacher appointments. BS is now qualified and will be on next panel.

Principal's Report

Attached

Treasurer's Report

Current bank balance is at \$60394.67. \$45000 of this balance is the grant for basketball court

7. Agenda Items: Nil

8. General Business:

There was some discussion on a supposed rumour that the fence would be removed between the girls and boys school. LR confirmed there is no truth to this rumour but stated that the communication

between the two schools is open in terms of sharing classes and that there is a possibility next year of yoga meditation and stress relief on Friday afternoons with staff present.

There was further discussion on holding a combined year 7 welcome BBQ or a Gala Day which could bring the two schools together. BS reiterated the importance of social events in allowing parents to build networks within the school. A date for the 2017 welcome BBQ will be determined at the next meeting.

BS asked for an update on the compost. Sarah Brill confirmed that the compost was built over the school holidays and will be slowly put to use.

9. Next Ordinary Meeting

Tuesday 15 November 2016, 7.00pm

10. Meeting closed: 8 pm

Principal's Report

P & C Meeting

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- 1. Higher School Certificate has started well. No major shocks or surprises.
- 2. T 4 relieving Head Teachers

Head Teacher English – Cristina da Costa

Wellbeing – Nick Benson

Teaching and Learning - Daisy Douglas

- 3. Uniform supplier Lowes are still sourcing samples and when they are complete, they will let me know and a meeting of the panel will be organised.
- 4. Basketball court resurfacing
- 5. Oval maintenance.
- 6. Therese Betros 'Ultimo Principal's Network Award 2016' Nominated and successful. Will be awarded tomorrow afternoon.
- 7. Exam time at present, then marking, reports and Presentation Day 13th December