

Randwick Boys' High School P&C Meeting Minutes Tuesday 20 September 2016

# Chair: Nasser Attia

#### 1. Attendance:

| Nasser Attia       | Emma Digan         | Frances Jones |  |
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| Glen Kotopoulos    | Alex Luxford       |               |  |
| Birgit Schickinger | Hamilton Steenbeck |               |  |
| Sarah Brill        | Natalie Keledjian  |               |  |
| Renate Kernecker   | Kris Kotopoulos    |               |  |
| Laura Tamir        | Lance Raskall      |               |  |
| Sally Steenbeck    | Lyn Swinbourne     |               |  |

- 2. Apologies: Adriana Skleparis, Antonella Attia, Peter Wong, Alison Bell, Olga Sofo
- **3.** Confirmation of the Minutes for 16 August 2016: confirmed by Birgit Schickinger (BS), seconded by Glen Kotopoulos (GK)
- 4. Business arising from 16 August 2016 Minutes: Nil
- 5. Correspondence: Nil
- 6. Reports

#### President's Report

**The Show** – Kris Kotopoulos (KK) thanked the RBHS P&C for sponsoring show for the amount of \$500. This sponsorship coupled with RGHS for same amount allowed the P&C's to be joint gold sponsors. Both P&C logos were printed on the team jersey. Both logos were in the program and on the DVD with other sponsor logos, as well as on the sponsor table. Next year will be the last year KK will act in role of sponsorship coordinator and as such asked the P&C to consider offering a sponsorship of \$1000 next year. A decision on this will need to be made by March next year. This year the Show sold out. There was a lot of support from both school Principals and Randwick Council. Next year there is the possibility of offering tickets to gold sponsors. There was a question re the buying of DVD's which are available for purchase for a \$10 donation. A box set of previous years shows will soon be available. Lance Raskall (LR) added that there was a great deal of support from parents and teachers as well as brilliant support from ex students who do a fabulous job year after year in coming back to help with the show.

KK stated that this year saw the largest number of boys participating to date.

**Comedy for a Cause** – The date for the event has been changed to Friday 4<sup>th</sup> November. There will be a focus on achieving numbers for the night with RGHS. BS added that Lynda from RGHS has arranged the food and drinks however people with RSA's are still needed.

**Basketball courts** – LR reported a recent meeting with Assets resulted in confirmation that they are unable to assist financially in any way. The next round of grants will be announced in December. BS made the point that even if we receive the second grant it will not cover the full cost as currently quoted and suggested a meeting between Dean from Assets and Spotless who originally quoted for the resurfacing with a view to removing less asphalt and thus reducing costs. LR expressed the opinion that a lesser job may not last 10 years. LR is not in a position to use any of the school maintenance money on the basketball court. He plans to talk to Bruce Notley-Smith at the upcoming Year 12 graduation and is hoping that we are successful with the second grant application There was a general agreement that it was not worth doing the job if it isn't done well.

**P&C insurance** – The certificate of currency has been received and the P&C is currently insured until August next year.

P&C Website is now up to date.

**Car boot sale** – As Rainbow St Primary School is unable to hold their annual car boot sale it has been suggested that the event be held at RBHS. The event has the potential to raise \$5000-6000 for the school. Rainbow Street have asked to hold a cake stall on the day. The six week organisation period would need to start now for the event to take place on 22 October. The event is part of the Garage Sale Trail and RBHS would have the opportunity to run a BBQ or sell anything on the day. The access road would be the road shared with RGHS. Frances Jones volunteered to undertake coordination with first task being to seek permission from RGHS for use of the road.

Field upgrade – to be covered in Principal's report.

## Principal's Report

Please see attached.

Additional notes:

- (1) A trained P&C representative is required for upcoming recruitment. BS volunteered to undertake training and sit on the panel.
- (2) There was some discussion on the option of replacing Anna Edwards with a second deputy principal. It was generally agreed that if LR felt the school would benefit from a second deputy then the P&C supports the change.
- (5) The scope of works required to bring the field up to a state that would allow games to be played at the school was outlined as well as outlining where quotations are currently at. LR confirmed that he is committed to repairing the condition of the oval and that the school will fund the required work.

KK asked whether there was a counsellor at school and LR confirmed that a counsellor is available, confidential and that students are able to self-refer should they wish to do so. For Year 12 students LR is

looking at introducing a buddy system that would involve groups of 5-6 year 12 students who would meet regularly with a teacher to make sure everything is ok.

Sally Steenbeck (SB) asked which primary schools are invited to see the Show and LR confirmed that all feeder schools are invited and charged \$5 per ticket.

BS added that the last Meet the Music session for the year had just occurred. She added that it had been a great year of music for the boys and that the program is not just for music students.

Treasurer's Report

Current bank balance is \$60894.67.

# 7. Agenda Items:

# Jim Dimopoulos, Careers Adviser – Update on Duke of Edinburgh Program

Jim Dimopoulos (JD) spoke at length to the P&C. He thanked the P&C for the financial support received. This support has allowed the program to be offered to interested students for significantly less cost. JD outlined the requirements of the program and the value for the school and for the boys. The program is increasing in popularity each year with 24 students signed up and actively participating.

To grow the program JD is keen to offer the participants journeys outside of the Blue Mountains. This would require the hire of mini buses. JD requested the P&C consider funding the program again this year to allow this to happen.

There was some discussion on how the program is run, whether the participants are expected to raise funds themselves. There was an extended discussion on the idea of sharing the cost of bus trips with other schools and JD was encouraged to continue to pursue this avenue.

A video presentation made by one of the participants was shown. LR stated that the same video was shown at assembly and piqued the interest of a number of students which could lead to a blow out in numbers next year.

The request for funds has been tabled and will be discussed at the next meeting.

## 8. General Business: Nil

9. Next Ordinary Meeting: Tuesday 18 October 2016, 7.00pm

## 10. Meeting closed: 8.55pm

#### **Parents and Citizens Meeting**

#### **Tuesday 20 September 2016**

#### **Principal's Report:**

# P & C Meeting

# Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> September 2016

- 1. Head Teacher English (David Foster) Has formally resigned. Will be leaving at end of Term 3. Rel HT for Term 4. Advertise for substantive position early Term 4. P & C panel member required. Name?
- 2. Head Teacher Teaching and Learning (Non-Substantive Anna Edwards). School based position. Leaving at end of Term 3, due to promotion to HT Science at Bankstown Girls' HS. Rel HT T & L for Term 4. Consultation needs to take place with P & C regarding 2017. Do we have a HT T & L OR a second Deputy Principal? Thoughts?
- 3. Uniform supplier panel met with LOWES. Impressive presentation. When they have samples, costings etc, we will meet again and decide if we want to go with them OR stay with Daylight and Uniform shop.
- 4. Basketball court resurfacing
- 5. Oval maintenance
- 6. School Show OUTSTANDING and thanks to ALL involved
- 7. Enrichment class for 2017 Year 7. Interviews have taken place. Panel now deliberating re students, size etc.
- 8. Year 10 into 11 Subject Selection evening was held on Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup>. Well attended. Weather was terrible.
- 9. Year 12 end of school. Assembly this Thursday, Graduation this Thursday evening, formal after HSC
- 10. School Excellence Framework submitted and we have been externally validated. Panel made recommendations based on the evidence that we provided
- 11. SRC and Prefects for 2017. Leadership Investiture was very well attended by parents/guardians. Great assembly. Refreshments afterwards
- 12. Elective subjects for Year 8 into 9 and 10 into 11 are being collated at present. Subjects offered and number of classes etc will be available early next term
- 13. Southern Courier this week Crayweed Project RBHS, RGHS, Clovelly PS, Coogee PS, Rainbow St PS. Science/Art/Gifted and Talented/ Sculptures by the Sea all tied in together
- 14. Concert Band performances Sydney Children's Hospital, Randwick to launch their Art exhibition. 1<sup>st</sup> September. Fabulous and greatly appreciated by the hospital. Leadership assembly as well
- 15. RU OK Day? BBQ, Music, workshops from Headspace Bondi Junction, Mufti tremendous day
- 16. Year 11 exams end this week
- 17. Next term exams and reports