



Randwick Boys' High School
P&C Meeting Minutes
Tuesday June 19, 2017

Chair: Birgit Schickinger

1. Attendance:

Birgit Schickinger	Helena Tighe	Yiota Loizou	Nasser Attia
Lance Raskall	Ngairé Smith	Adriana Skleparis	Laura Tamir
Nick Frougas	Lyn Swinbourne	Antonella Attia	Kate Bice

2. Welcome: Birgit welcomed Yiota Loizou, Head Teacher, Mathematics

3. Apologies: Renate Kernecker, Sarah Brill, Glen Kotopoulos, Kris Kotopoulos, Peter Wong Wing Kee, Emma Digan, Natalie Keledjian, Jane Knowles, Alex Luxford

Determination of Quorum: Quorum reached

4. Confirmation of Minutes for 16 May 2017: Confirmed by Birgit Schickinger, seconded by Antonella Attia

5. Business Arising from the Minutes for 16 May 2017:

Outdoor Movie Night - Laura Tamir said the plan is still under discussion. It will cost \$30-\$40 per hour for a security guard. The committee is also investigating Hoyts, Randwick Ritz and Moonlight Cinema but the profit margins would be lower. NOTE: RGHS made \$900 from its last event at the Ritz.

Peter Wong asked if the P&C has a standard sponsorship agreement. Birgit Schickinger said it does not, but this would be a good idea.

The possibility of selling pizza was discussed. One possibility is a pizza van, which could cook at the school, but there was doubt about whether it could produce enough pizzas fast enough. Adriana Skleparis said conveyor belt pizzas would be faster.

Water filling stations – Alison Bell has offered to write a grant application to an electorate office fund that supports environmental projects. The application is due in mid-July. It is proposed that the grant could be used to install water filling stations, which would allow the boys to refill their water bottles, reducing sales of bottled water at the canteen and thus cutting plastic waste.

Principal Lance Raskall reported he and parents walked through the school and identified two potential positions for the station(s), including one near the gym. One station under consideration is wall-mounted, has a sensor, and needs power and

plumbing. Likely cost: \$2890 plus GST. The other is free-standing and has two filling taps. Likely cost: \$2650.

The school would pay for the power, but the P&C would pay for replacement filters. These cost \$120 and need to be changed every 6-12 months.

There was some discussion of whether the filter can, or should, be set to remove fluoride, and whether the boys should be encouraged to fill their bottles from taps instead. Other discussion focused on whether the P&C should vote on what grants to apply for.

Birgit moved that Alison should be asked to proceed. Motion passed unanimously.

Arduino kits from Telstra - It was suggested the P&C should invite Paul Bunn to come in and demonstrate Arduino kits, programmable modules that are good for electronics and computing students. The P&C applied for a Telstra grant to buy the kits.

Sponsorship Agreement – It was suggested the P&C could prepare a standard sponsorship agreement.

6. Correspondence: Nil

7. Reports

President's Report

1. **Merit Selection panels** - Birgit thanked the parents who have done the training to sit on recruitment panels for new teachers under the Merit Selection Procedure. A list of parents who are now certified will be prepared and made available to Head Teachers.
2. **Trivia Night** - Birgit thanked Adriana Skleparis for organising the Trivia Night, and also thanked everyone who helped, especially staff.

Principal's Report

1. **Deputy Principal.** Welcome Nick Frougas who is acting deputy. Timeframe for appointment of permanent replacement is unknown.
2. **Merit Selection Panels.** Thank you to all P&C members who have assisted with the panels. We have made quite a few people permanent, which is good for the stability of the school.
3. **Basketball court update.** "Dave" from DEC said the full upgrade was a \$400,000 project. Plan B, "minor works", would cost \$64,000, but under this plan the trees will stay even though they are decaying and diseased. It would cost \$60,000 to remove three trees and remediate the path, so this is now off the agenda. The school has to pay for removal of trees, even if they are ruled dangerous. It would cost \$30,000 to trim them.
4. **Community Consultation funds.** These will be spent on School Hall technology upgrade. As agreed at the last P&C meeting, a School Community Grant of \$10,000 will be spent on wifi, speakers, and upgrading the mixing desk.
5. **Half Yearly Exams.** These are now complete.
Parent/Teacher evening: Years 7, 11 and 12, Tuesday 27 June, 4.30-7pm

Parent/Teacher evening: Years 8, 9 and 10, Tuesday 1 August, 4.30-7pm

6. **GONSKI 2.0**
7. **Athletics carnival.** "Fantastic!"
8. **Bunnings BBQ Eastgardens** – Year 12 on Saturday 27 May. Thank you to all students, staff and parents/friends who added their support. Antonella suggested not doing it there again. The BBQ location was away from the main traffic areas, and the event didn't make as much money as in previous BBQs at other Bunnings locations.
9. **Trivia Evening.** "Superb!" Thanks to all who assisted and attended and had friends attend. Staff had two tables and thoroughly enjoyed the evening, as did everyone else. Special thanks to Adriana for coordinating the event again in 2017.
10. **School Plan.** Thanks to Laura Tamir for volunteering. Call for more P&C representatives to be involved.
11. **Australia's Biggest Morning Tea for Cancer Council.** Over \$400 raised.
12. **Excursions galore.** Buckley Shield Rugby League, Jewish Museum, Chess, Music Therapy fortnightly, Study Skills, Careers Expo – Year 12, Ski Trip, Zone Cross Country, English ETA Modules, Debating Year 11, SRE seminars
13. **School Finance meeting** Thursday 29 June, 9.30am – Adriana, Emma
14. **Subject Selection evening** Wednesday 26th July
Year 8 (2017) into 9 (2018) - 6pm in Library, then to Hall
Year 10 (2017) into 11 (2018) - 7pm in Library, then to Hall
15. **Next P&C meeting** - Tuesday 18 July. Head teacher PDHPE/CAPA HT, Melissa Olsen will present.

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Adriana Skleparis said the P&C account balance is \$69,245.41, including the \$65,000 grant. Account is still waiting on the \$20,000 grant.

8. Agenda Items

1. **Guest Speaker:** Yiota Loizou, Head Teacher, Mathematics, gave an overview of the Mathematics Faculty staff, the syllabus and the school's approach to teaching the subject.
2. **Trivia Night:** Adriana Skleparis reported that about 100 people attended, there were more than 73 items on the table for the Silent Auction, and the event returned a profit of \$6388.14. The committee is still receiving online payments. Pizza Moncur delivered 53 pizzas in two stages and has presented the P&C with a cheque. There was discussion of whether it might have been easier to get bigger prizes if the date had not been so close to the end of the financial year.

President Birgit Schickinger closed the meeting at 8.40pm.