



**Randwick Boys' High School  
P&C Meeting Minutes  
Tuesday 15 August 2017**

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**Chair: Birgit Schickinger**

**1. Attendance:**

Andrew Anderson	Michelle Bradley		
Nick Frougas	Peter Wong Wing Kee		
Birgit Schickinger	Renate Kernecker		
Alexandra Luxford			
Sarah Brill			
Jane Knowles			
Laura Tamir			

- 2. Welcome** to new financial members, observers and guests.
- 3. Apologies:** Glen Kotopoulos, Natalie Keledjian, Rachel Daly, Lyn Swinbourne, Adriana Skleparis, Antonella Attia, Nasser Attia, Kris Kotopoulos, Alison Bell, Emma Digan, Elizabeth Royston
- 4. Determination of quorum:** Quorum reached (quorum is 5 if under 50 members and 11 if over 50 members).
- 5. Confirmation of the Minutes for 20 June 2017:** Confirmed: Laura Tamir. Seconded: Birgit Schickinger. It was noted that Rachel Daly attended the meeting.
- 6. Business arising from 20 June 2017 Minutes:**

*Update of Film Night*

Laura Tamir reported that she will speak to the Randwick Girls High School P&C about a joint film night. If they are not willing to combine then would continue to look at options for holding a film night at RBHS. Will update at next meeting.

### *Update on water filling stations*

Allison Bell has completed the grant for a little over \$10k to fund two water filling stations. Thanks to Alison for doing this. The whole process has changed with regards to applications as now you have to get letter of support from the school and a signature from the asset manager as so many projects from schools that haven't happened yet. It is expected we will hear around late term four re the success of the application.

### *Arduino kit demonstration*

An email was received from Paul Bunn that he has now put an order out for the Arduino kit. When they have come in he'll send in photos then he will be asked to attend a meeting to give us a demonstration on what they are and what they do.

## **7. Correspondence:**

Correspondence received was receipts for Adriana and bank statements.

## **8. Reports**

### *President's Report*

#### **Basketball grant acquittal**

Bruce Notley-Smith advised that we need not do anything. The money has gone to the department who will complete the acquittal process. With regards to the court upgrade the latest information is that there will be a concrete slab poured onto the court to level it, then hoops etc will be raised and then the courts will be painted and coated.

#### **Council elections**

Council elections will be held on 9 September. It is proposed that the RBHS P&C run – thinking of running a BBQ and cake stall as per federal elections. There are a number of polling stations in the area, including RGHS. AL to get numbers of how many will be expected to vote at this election. Some discussion re buying aprons to have uniform look at these events. BS to send email asking for support for running BBQ and cake stall.

### *Principal's Report*

#### **Basket ball courts**

Nick Frougas updated the meeting on the basketball court resurfacing noting that all lights now work. The school has spoken to Bruce Notley-Smith who noted the resurfacing of the courts is on hold until Lance returns from leave. The school received another quote today for the removal of trees and tree maintenance on school grounds. The courts will have a base that is a foam corebox with steel reinforcing through it. There will be a coloured playing surface and hoops will be raised to regulation height. Drainage will also be installed. Roots from neighbouring

trees will be ground down. This should last 10-15 years. A contractor will probably be chosen by negotiation. Concreting could be done by one of the contractors currently working on a Government project in the area who is on the Government list.

Andrew Anderson introduced himself to the meeting with a brief run down of his teaching career. After two weeks at the school he is very impressed with the school, which is a credit to the leadership of Lance and the rest of the staff. It is a busy time of year for the school with a lot of time and activity going into the Show. The standard of the Show seems extraordinary. Parents and carers will get a letter soon re the NAPLAN readiness test. Schools will be trialling the new system. NAPLAN results were received by the school this week. There are a number of positive aspects to the results. There is a concern across the state with regards to writing. This could be a result of the assessment used, but all schools will need to do work in this area.

There was some discussion on the HCS readiness test that will be implemented next year with regards to how it will be run. There was also some discussion of the stress levels of year 9 students with regards to prequalification. AA suggested that the staff can talk to students to fully explain the process to them.

#### *Treasurer's Report*

Nil to report. Bits and pieces still being finalised from trivia night and a bill has been received for the trestle tables. Bank Balance is at \$20 554.83.

#### **9. Agenda Items:**

##### *P&C Insurance renewal*

P&C insurance renewal has been done. Thanks to Adriana and Nasser. This is standard insurance that covers the P&C for public liability to \$50m. The insurance is valid until 1 August 2018. Renewal fee was \$811.00.

##### *New Hockey Bag*

The P&C was approached by P&C member about the state of the school hockey bags which are apparently falling apart. Before the P&C commits to funding new bags it would be good to talk to Melissa Olsen. There was a further discussion on a formalised process for allocating P&C money as has been attempted in the past. The correct process in this instance may be for JA to speak to MO and then for MO to approach the P&C for funds if needed. NF stated that he doesn't think MO would be aware of this and that the head of sport has a substantial amount of money. NF to follow up.

There was some discussion as to how decisions are to be made with regards to allocating P&C funds. A discussion will take place at the next meeting on how to make decisions on what to spend and how to spend and what to fund raise for. There was a suggestion that the school plan may provide scaffold for funding decisions.

### *Duke of Ed meetings*

At Parent teacher night a few teachers mentioned that a lot of kids are doing Duke of Ed and teachers are not always notified when meetings are on. NF stated that generally a period is chosen with a view to minimise disruption and rotate through faculties. Meetings are not held before school or at lunch because staff and students have other commitments during those times. BS noted that it is an extra curricular activity and she doesn't see why it can't occur outside of hours. NF to speak to Jim and Lance and see what can be done.

### **10. General Business:**

An email was received from Kris Kotopolous. The email was read in full to the meeting and provided an update on the Show. RBHS was thanked for their sponsorship and it was noted that the signage on the Show t-shirts looks great. The work of all involved in the Show was acknowledged.

There was further discussion about the proposed film night at RGHS and whether it would be possible for RBHS to join or observe. Laura Tamir to speak to the RGHS P&C.

### **11. Next Ordinary Meeting**

Tuesday 19 September 2017, 7.00pm

### **12. Meeting closed: 8.31pm**