

MINUTES OF P&C MEETING

Wednesday 12th February 2020
7:00pm to 9:00pm
Common Room, RGHS

Meeting Details

22 parents' & community names recorded on the attendance sheet. Also in attendance: The Relieving Principal, Alison Gambino. The meeting was chaired by Belinda Brodrick, P&C President. Minutes were taken by Martin Brown.

Apologies

Paul Jones

Minutes of Previous Meeting

The minutes of the 27th of November P&C meeting were reviewed.

Motion: To accept the minutes of the 27th of November P&C meeting be accepted.

Moved: Belinda B

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Business arising

1. Report of qualification of current school counsellors in progress
2. \$50 gift cards were purchased and presented
3. Grant for solar panels awaiting review - expected to know outcome in March 2020.

Correspondence

None noted.

Principal's Report

1. Welcome to new parents.
2. Introduced Lenore Glansbeek as Year 7 advisor. She has returned to Riverside after a two year stint at Taronga Park Zoo.
3. New uniform supplier for year 11, 12 is Noones. Year 7-10 is still Stitchem.
4. Sun visors will be available for \$3.
5. 870 students in total this year with 160 in year 7.
6. Lockers are being investigated for installation end term 1 - term 2. \$15 each per student per year. About 400 to be purchased initially and then more depending on demand
7. The canteen management has resigned. New tender is under way. Environmental concerns will be included in the assessment.
8. Roof tiles have been replaced and some roofs replaced over the break.
9. A grant for turf on the Science Lawn has been approved.

10. Quotes being obtained for shade sails for the Quadrangle
11. Budget for basketball courts has increased due to issues with current surface levels being extremely uneven. As a result, the surface will now be artificial turf.
12. Open Day afternoon 3.30-6pm 5th March 2020
13. Thank you letter from Peter Mayes (French teacher) presented for funding of the Education Perfect program

Follow-on Discussions

1. Question regarding P&C funding of the Science Style app (3 year subscription) - is the P&C supporting this?
2. Participation in Swimming Carnival to be encouraged
3. Approx 30% of HSC students informed the school of their ATAR results
4. Staffing changes will be communicated in email to parents and in Newsletter
5. Debating program will be starting this year
6. New STEM club being formed. Topics to be decided by the students
7. The Principal requested parents to encourage students to comply with the new mobile phone policy. Ms Gambino also encouraged parents to email if there was anything they wanted to raise.
8. Question regarding student procedures if they don't have a phone - Principal to follow up at staff meeting
9. Toilets are being painted. Outgoing Year 12 donation is to be utilised to install artwork in the toilets.
10. Year 7 access to the portal is still to be delivered

Treasurer's Report

Jenny Nettleton presented a summary:

1. Parent contributions \$66,000 last year
2. Other fundraising from catering and Trivia Night
3. Start of 2019 \$130,000 in accounts
4. Contributions were made in 2019 to the quad upgrade, large fan in the hall, education applications, Refugee Challenge, the musical
5. \$80,000 allocation for 2020 expenditure
6. Balance is currently \$62,000

Follow-on Discussions

- School requested to present a list of priorities for expenditure for 2020.
- Question regarding lack of a building fund
- Lenore H commented on lack of government funding of schools and discussed lobbying options

General Business Items

1. Concern around 100% synthetic shirts from Noone. Required for colour accuracy but to be reconsidered.
2. Automatic gates are being installed on the Huntleys Point entrance. Sandstone pillars in line with the historical style of the school to be considered by P&C. Quote breakdown to be provided.
3. Request for location for a larger P&C storage location.
4. Mentor program in term 2 discussed
5. Trivia Night will be happening in 2020
6. Open Day will include BBQ and gelato cart - call for volunteers on the Thursday afternoon 2-6pm and following day at school to help serve Gelato to students at 11.45-12.05 & 1.15-2pm.
7. Down the Rabbit Hole is the school play for 2020 & will be another fundraising opportunity for 2020

Actions

1. Principal to follow up on:

- a. Procedures for students who do not have a mobile phone when the teacher requests students to photograph work
 - b. Breakdown of quote for the entrance gate pillars
2. Treasurer to follow up on Style App funding

Next Meeting

All meetings are at 7.00pm in the staff common room.

- Term 1, Week 7: 11 March
- Term 2, Week 3: 13 May
- Term 2, Week 7: 10 June
- Term 3, Week 3: 5 August
- Term 3, Week 7: 2 September
- Term 4: Week 3: 28 October
- Term 4, Week 7: 25 November AGM