

RIVERSIDE GIRLS HIGH SCHOOL P&C ASSOCIATION

MINUTES OF MEETING DATED 14 JUNE 2006

A presentation on student welfare and the role of the School Counsellor was given by Gillian Maury, the schools School Counsellor. She outlined some of the issues they deal with and where/how help can be found.

Meeting Opened: at 8.35 pm by Giselle Hare, Vice-president.

Attendees: As per the attendance book.

Apologies: Judy King, John Sheldrick, Tish Niessen, Narelle Clark, Jane Towndrow

Minutes of Previous Meeting. These were of the meeting dated 10 May 2006.

Motion: To accept the minutes

Moved: Tina Jamons 2nd: Wendy Dobis CARRIED

Business Arising.

Correspondence

In: Attached.

* NSW Canteen Assoc. Confirmation of grant application of \$1,500. This will be used for the purchase of a soup warmer, 6 slice toaster, 2 menu boards, 3 yrs membership to Canteen Assoc. and healthy food ideas.

* P&C Fed. annual conference invitation. it would be good if someone could attend even if only on the Saturday morning for the voting, as there will be issues which may affect the school. An email to be distributed asking for volunteers.

ACTION: Brad Powe

* Financial Literacy grant from the Commonwealth Bank. John Sheldrick to follow up on the availability of this grant which helps to develop student awareness of financial literacy.

ACTION: John Sheldrick

Out: Nomination for P&C Fed. book prize for the school captain, Elham Tahzib, as discussed in last months minutes.

Principal's Report. Given by Peggy O'Neill

Thank you to the P&C for \$2,000 assistance with BATH day costs. 75% of the day is also spent on professional learning.

Parent/teacher for years 10 and 11 is 21 June, and 19 July for years 8 and 9.

Public Education Day assembly saw the launch of the anti bullying project. Posters for each room will be made for next year. The project seems to be working, there have been more suspensions in term 1 than ever before. Girls that have been suffering seem to be standing up and saying enough. Girls are advised of the consequences of their actions and given ways to take a 'solve it' approach to situations.

There is a possibility of holding a year 7 camp, or 2 day break, next year to reinforce the anti bullying message and give the girls strategies to prevent/deal with it.

A techno bullying seminar has been held to high light issues with mobile phones, email etc.

Library budget tabled.

Information on the current state on the collection of school fees was tabled. General contribution fees generally only get paid at the beginning of the year, where subject fees can come in throughout the year.

Thank you to the P&C from the dance group for the sponsorship of \$1,000 for dance costumes to be used at upcoming eistedfords.

9 girls to take part in the state soccer trials, would the P&C sponsor them @ \$50 each?. Tamara Mitchell has been selected for the NSW dance ensemble, possible P&C sponsorship of \$100.

Motion: To sponsor 9 girls @ \$50 each and 1 at \$100, total spend \$550.

Moved: Sharon Weismantel 2nd: Tina Jamons CARRIED

Due to the large number of girls taking part in the various dance groups, it is recommended that a dance committee be set up to oversee and raise funds for the groups.

Treasurer's Report. Attached.

Cheque for \$4,500 received from the school and will be divided as follows:

add \$1,000 to grounds to total \$8,954.32, add \$2,000 to special projects to total \$3,729.38 and add \$1,500 to library fund to total \$20,228.

As the P&C has now received a library budget the following motion was proposed.

Motion: to give the School Library \$20,300 approx (defined as the balance of the Library Fund).

Moved: Sharon Weismantel

2nd: Tina Jamons

CARRIED

Fundraising.

A proposal to run a raffle was put forward, to sell 10 tickets @\$2 each, to win an entertainment package consisting of TV, Ipod, DVD player etc. The proposal is from an outside company that provides the tickets and prizes, however distribution/return of tickets and money could be a problem. The school feels only about 20% of tickets/money would be returned. Meeting proposed to sell tickets at parent/teacher nights, or have a stall at riverside markets, or the local shops on shop counters. Still to determine the lead time for receipt of ticket books. Propose that tickets be preordered. Advert to be included in the August/September newsletter and included with the mail out of anti bullying project information for parents in week 1 or 2.

Music.

Riverside Swings, possible date in September. There is a music meeting next week. The band committee is running a Trivia night on August 19.

The band won a silver medal at the Engadine Band Festival.

General Business

A parent asked about the possibility of having a school jacket, that can be worn over the jumper particularly in winter, to combat the cold. The SRC is having discussions with the designer/supplier of the uniform to find a suitable jacket that would look neat, suit the purpose and not be cost prohibitive.

Wearing of a white scivvy under the shirt in winter is acceptable.

The number of volunteers to assist with gelato sales on BATH day is good.

Meeting closed 9.50 pm.

Next meeting is 9 August at 7.30 pm in the Common Room.