

RIVERSIDE GIRLS HIGH SCHOOL P&C ASSOCIATION

MINUTES OF MEETING WEDNESDAY 15 OCTOBER 2008

The meeting was opened at 7.40pm by the President, Cheryl Osborne who welcomed all present.

Attendees

As per the circulated Attendance Sheet

Apologies

Cheryl Brown, Adam Jacob, Judy King

Minutes of Previous Meeting

These were of the meeting dated 10 September 2008.

Motion: To accept the Minutes as circulated.

Moved: Brad Powe *Seconded:* Cheryl Osborne CARRIED

Business Arising

Forward planning for 2009 meetings will include –

- External Cyber-bullying seminar to be arranged for February or March. Cheryl/Brad to call and check costs/availability of Cyber-bullying speakers.
- Faculty Heads presentation to Year 7 also to be early in the year (probably March).
- It is hoped to have a program published for Orientation Day.
- The Gelato Cart has been booked for Orientation Day (Thursday 4 and Friday 5 December).
- Good quality folding tables have not yet been located for purchase.
- Trees around the oval were pruned and mulched at a discount cost of \$1980 (working from 7.30 am to 5.00 pm). In light of this, it was decided to promote the service to the P&C membership.
- Following the School soccer team's good showing in the NSW State competition, it was decided to place a link to page 68 (continued on p 66) of [*The Northern District Times*](#) for 3 September 2008 to benefit families outside the paper's distribution area.
- The School Canteen tender is yet to be advertised.

Correspondence In

- Various fund-raisers.
- P&C 'Library Fund' Bank Statement from CBA (September 2008).
- New CBA cheque-book.
- Receipts from P&C Federation for membership renewal and insurance premium.
- Letter from John Watkins on his resignation, expressing thanks for his positive experiences interacting with the RGHS P&C.

Correspondence Out

- E-mail to all P&C list subscribers with information on free anti-virus software and computer security.
- E-mail to all P&C list subscribers with information on the Commonwealth Education Tax Refund.

Principal's Report

On Judy King's behalf, Craig Teece –

1. Presented a cheque for \$2069 to the Treasurer, being the total of late-collected P&C Contributions.
2. Circulated the latest news regarding the Federal 'education revolution' for computer equipment. The review re additional funding for infrastructure etc is still underway.
3. Positively reviewed all end of Term 3/Year 12 presentation and award ceremonies. *This part of the report generated a request from the meeting that future events of this type should add an 'acknowledgement of achievement' to provide recognition of the performing arts and music as well as sports.*
4. **Properties Issues:** Leaks have been dealt with; the basketball courts have been re-surfaced and re-marked, although subsidence cracks seem to be re-emerging; and many internal stair treads/edges need to be repaired or replaced.
5. The Odyssey House speakers were especially well-received at BATH Day. New activities and structure for BATH Day are under consideration.

Treasurer's Report

Closing balance in P&C CBA bank account: \$13820.29 (as of 30/09/08)

It was noted that \$150 of the P&C Federation insurance premium is to be reimbursed by the Music Committee (RIEP).

Motion: To accept the Treasurer's Report.

Moved: Sharon Weismantel *Seconded:* Brad Powe CARRIED

Business Arising: Raising the P&C Contribution for 2009 was discussed. It was noted that this had not been changed for at least five years, and that the proportions nominally directed to the three 'funds' should be re-arranged. It was agreed to raise the total by \$10 for 2009, with a view to increasing it again for 2010.

Motion: To revise the P&C Contribution for 2009 in such a way that the nominal 'Library' fund be \$55 *per student*; 'Special Projects' be \$55 *per family*; and \$10 *per family* for the 'Grounds' fund, making a total of \$120 for the first child enrolled.

Moved: Cheryl Osborne *Seconded:* Sharon Weismantel CARRIED

Motion: That \$1254, being the present 'Library' component of the \$2069 most recently collected by the School, be transferred immediately to the Library.

Moved: Sharon Weismantel *Seconded:* Brad Powe CARRIED

Motion: That the \$145 paid to Hunters Hill Council for the tree-logging permit be reimbursed to Cheryl Osborne.

Moved: Sharon Weismantel *Seconded:* Brad Powe CARRIED

Fundraising Report

No report.

Music Committee (RIEP) Report

No report.

TO DO: Correspondence Secretary to e-mail all P&C list subscribers inviting them to donate unwanted instruments.

TO DO: Ensure that 'Expression of Interest' forms are available from Music Department table on Orientation Day.

Grounds Report

See *Business Arising* above.

General Business

- The AGM will be held on 12/11/2008. All positions will be declared vacant; in particular, a new Minutes Secretary will be required.
- The first meeting for 2009 will be held on the 11th of February (cyber-bullying), while the Faculty presentations will be on the 11th of March (ie no normal meeting that night).
- Term dates for 2009 need to be confirmed to allow publication of meeting dates well in advance (Terms 1 and 2 in 2009 will both be 11 weeks long).
- The new Principal chosen to succeed Judy King (following her retirement at the start of July 2009) will be invited to address the June P&C meeting.
- The call for Orientation Day volunteers will be repeated, along with a request for assistance with the Senior Uniform sales day (Craig Teece to advise date).

The meeting closed at 9.10 pm.

The next meeting will include the Annual General Meeting on Wednesday 12th November.