Minutes RBSC P+C meeting (following AGM)
March 6, 2012

1. President Gaby Munro welcomes new executive and new Council members
elected at the preceding AGM and says it’s especially good to see new
involvement.

2. Minutes of previous P+C meeting:
   Accepted
   Moved: Alex Bloch Seconded: Ilana Cohen

3. Business arising from last meeting:
   Another audit of bus safety this Friday afternoon from the council road safety
people on site. So far no report back from the visit of the bus depot people last
month. Diane F to pursue.

4. Principal Jim Linton’s report:
   • Feb 16, accompanied two school captains to the official opening of the
   Public School Year Sydney region. ‘Celebrating the heroes’ was the
   theme: the heroes are the students, the teachers, people in the office
   [audit last week and school was satisfactory on all counts], aides,
   parents. Tonight we celebrate one of our heroes: Michael Palmer,
   involved as a parent since 2005, three children, fought hard for a good
   public school and to make the uniform shop and canteen serve the
   school well; great support to the P+C leadership and especially to Jim
   – who thanks Michael on behalf of the school.
   • Open night last Wednesday, good turn-up despite poor weather; Gaby
   and Anne spoke on behalf of P+C parents.
   • Swimming carnival last week – team went to Zone carnival, came
   away with four age champions, well represented in regional carnival
   this week. Credit to Paula Bertoli, teacher who runs swim squad at
   Icebergs.
   • Bondi Cosies (Community of Schools in Eastern Suburbs) – 14 feeder
   primary schools – launch this Thursday, with Malcolm Turnbull,
   Gabrielle Upton, local councillors, school captain at Bondi Beach 1pm.
   • Painting in school underway.
   • Requests for funds from teachers:
     Science teacher Mr. Clark – wants three data projectors;
     Lucy Andre wants Homework Centre payments to tutors (ex-students)
     plus food for students;
     Music Dept is composing work on computers – Donna Masterson
     wants 12 Imacs $15,500 + Sibelius software

5. Treasurer’s report:
   Under constitution, sub-committees accountable to P+C. Discussions ongoing
with sports and MEP committees about whether they should be independent
from P+C in financial sense or stay as formal sub-committees. Questions
about accountability if they go independent – Jim says they have to report to
school council and various other levels of accountability via him.
Discussion of teacher funding requests and approximate costings.
Treasurer: Need to be cautious with spending as we don't yet know how much
we have to spend on the oval. He thinks $40-50,000 of which $40,000 have
already been allocated.
Could commit another $20,000 from existing funds to other school projects.

Requests
**Homework centre**: Current request $3320 to pay two extra tutors due to
increasing number of children attending the centre (currently 65 children, five
tutors); if this request was doubled the homework centre could open a second
afternoon a week (desired outcome) = $7100

**Technology**: $2000 for materials for construction projects (seating, bbq cover,
paving etc) as part of construction elective. All projects will remain at and
benefit the school

**Science**: three data projectors = $2735 + installation ($3000).

**Music**: computers (12) plus software = $16,200. Donna Masterson to be
invited to a future meeting to discuss.

**Website** committee: $2000 to pay Christy Godby to revise and rewrite
curriculum pages content of school website

Motion: That the P+C will contribute:
Homework centre: up to $7100
Technology: up to $2000
Science: up to $3000
Music: up to $4000
Website: up to $2000
Moved Michael Palmer, seconded Steve Hayes, passed.

6. Gaby Munro: update on oval
Project manager met AMU (Assets Management Unit) – no current site plans
were found so had to have survey and hydraulic plans done on oval. In process
of putting together tender package. This time every company will quote on
exactly the same brief. Specifications put together by project manager in
consultation with engineers, P&C and school. Hopefully job to be done in
May.

Meeting closed 9.02pm.