# Richmond River High School P&C Committee 2014

**President:** Fiona Lotherington (0428 617 713)  
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**Secretary:** Melanie Gates-Manar (0431 452 752)  
**Vice President:** Tania Harvey  
**Vice President:** Denise Whitney

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<th>Agenda Item</th>
<th>Commence 6:18pm 15th June 2015</th>
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<td>Opening and welcome by the Chair</td>
<td>Fiona Lotherington, Tania Harvey, Melanie Gates-Manar, Peter Howes, Kathy Smith, Denise Whitney, Karen Faulks,</td>
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<td>Apologies</td>
<td>Dave Harvey</td>
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<td>Minutes tabled as read to be true and correct. Moved Denise. Seconded Karen.</td>
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<td>Business arising from the minutes of the previous general meeting</td>
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| Correspondence received since the previous general meeting -  
Inward (as listed)  
Outward (as listed) | Bank Statements: See Treasurer’s Report |
| Business arising from the correspondence | Bank Statements under Treasurer’s Report...  
Parent & Citizen magazine is in  
School global funding (this doc is to be attached with the minutes) |
| **Treasurer’s report and financial statement, and any business arising from these.** | April Bank statements available.  
MYOB being used successfully.  
Denise: researching MYOB Banklink books as a potentially easier way of managing our accounts.  
- Balance sheet and Profit & Loss statement requires amending.  
  Moved: Karen  
  Seconded: Kathy  
- Discussed why we have so many bank accounts. Fiona and Karen to contact Kay, Marg and P&C NSW to gather information about the bank accounts  
  Moved: Kathy  
  Seconded: Melanie |
| **Subcommittees’ reports and financial statements and any business arising from these.** |
| **Principals Report** | **Dave Harvey absent.**  
**Peter Howes:** Will consult with tech people at the school on best way to provide the staff profiles on the website or facebook page.  
Proposed that P&C meetings could join with other campuses of the Rivers College in the near future. Peter will contact John to see when we could get the 3 local P&C together for a rivers college meeting.  
**CAR Legacy:** Scholarships for students  
Dave sought advice – research still being undertaken around the various options however it has been decided that scholarships will be determined by ATAR marks above 80% and student can’t have been suspended in last 12months. The school has had legal advice that it is too subjective to decide on any other factors.  
A couple of parents expressed their disappointment.  
**Denise:** How do other organisations give out scholarships?  
Kathy: A lot of students were hoping for a scholarship based on low income, ATSI, etc and do not expect to get an ATAR of 80%  
**Peter:** Ongoing research into the matter  
Aladdin is on! Peter congratulated all the children and staff involved across the 3 campuses of Rivers College.  
2 restaurant nights are coming up - hospitality nights at River Theatre by invite, hosted by our students  
Congratulations to Boden Yates who has been appointed Head Teacher Science!  
Head Teachers will be doing presentations for the P&C at the August and ongoing P&C meetings.  
Australian Professional Standards for Teachers Association will be reassessing teaching practises |
## Presidents Report

P&C NSW, Kay (our bookkeeper) and Marg Bugden will be contacted to gather information about the bank accounts.

Denise is researching MYOB Banklink books.

Proposed that future P&C meetings be conducted with parents from other 2 Rivers College campuses (Lismore High and Kadina High Schools). Fiona will work with Peter to communicate with the other P&Cs.

## General Business

**Melanie:** Can the school have an account with Summerland Credit Union since they are a locally owned and operated business? They are also the only financial institution in this region dedicated to divesting from fossil fuels; they don’t fund fossil fuel projects and they support many local organisations. It would be great to see RRHS move away from the major banks.

**Kathy:** Government schools generally stick to the big four banks.

**Melanie:** I have concerns about students carrying mobile devices in their pockets. The science is in about radiation causing tumours but the education department is not acting. How can we best inform parents and students about the potential health risks?

**Peter:** P&C could organise an information night on the topic.

**Denise:** Has anything been done about the sports injury participation issue?

**Peter:** Will come back with an update.

**Denise:** Uni kids are loving the SCU Access program.

## Applications for membership and recording of new members

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## Motions from the meeting:

- Balance sheet and P&L statement is possibly incorrect – more investigation will be undertaken.
  
  Moved: Karen
  
  Seconded: Kathy

- P&C NSW, Kay and Marg need to be consulted about the bank accounts
  
  Moved: Kathy
  
  Seconded: Melanie