The meeting began with introductions and was then formally opened at 7.40pm by Brad Powe in the absence of Avril Semyonov, P&C President.

**Attendees**
As per the circulated Attendance Book.

**Apologies**
Avril Semyonov, Suzanne Murray-Walker, Gabrielle Grave, Graham Lowe

**Minutes of Previous Meeting**
Motion: To accept the Minutes as read.
*Moved: Zoe Thompson  
Seconded: Sharon Weismantel  
CARRIED*

**Business Arising**
- It was noted that no further discussions with the P&C had taken place regarding the Garden Project.
- Brad explained that the Wine Fundraiser had not been heavily subscribed and orders had not yet been finalised. Ms Kelly offered to send out a flyer when she sent a note home to Year 7 and Year 9 parents regarding the NAPLAN results and an invitation to attend an information session. It was agreed that the P&C would extend the closing date for orders until the 16th September to allow the note to go home to parents and for parents to act upon this.
- The Senior ICT Award in the name of Sharon Douglas is to be awarded at the Year 12 Graduation Ceremony.
- Ms Kelly noted the P&C Award for citizenship was also being awarded at the Graduation Ceremony and that there had been two very deserving recipients. She requested that the P&C grant a second citizenship award this year to enable both candidates to receive an award.

Motion: To award a second P&C Citizenship Award worth $50 for Year 12 2011.

*Moved: Zoe Thompson  
Seconded: Sharon Weismantel  
CARRIED*
Correspondence In

P&C Newsletters were distributed.

Correspondence Out

A number of email alerts were sent to parents.

Principal’s Report

- Ms Kelly noted that the NAPLAN results had come out today and that she would like to request that she and member of the school executive hold a meeting about the results prior to the October P&C meeting in which they speak for 30-45 minutes about the NAPLAN testing and the good results achieved by RGHS. The message would then be repeated at an 8am meeting in the common room on Friday 14th October.

- Ms Kelly noted that the issue of serving alcohol at the Graduation Ceremony had been raised with her and she wanted to canvass the views of the P&C. A general discussion followed with wide agreement amongst those present that it was not appropriate to serve alcohol at the Graduation Ceremony.

- It was noted that the school had received a letter stating the land upon which the school sits is to be rezoned from school to residential in line with changes to the zoning of schools across the state. Ms Kelly had contacted Hunters Hill Council who had assessed the situation and concluded that the change in zoning may make future planning interesting but that the major motivation for the rezoning was that the State Planning Authority wants uniformity in zoning across the state. Greg suggested talking to Boronia Park PS, who were also affected by the change, to see what they thought of the issue. Ms Kelly agreed to do this and would come back to the next meeting with any further information she had gathered.

- Ms Kelly thanked Ruth McConnell for all the work she had done with the RGHS Tournament of the Minds (TOM) team. They had made it through to the State Final in the Engineering and Science category in which they had to design machines which could sort three types of material. The school was very proud of the achievements of the students and thanked Ruth sincerely for all the work she had done.

- The school had decided to subsidise the cost of school blazers by 50% for highly achieving students in academic fields. This included the 7 girls in the TOM team, girls in public speaking in Year 11 and a number of girls also achieved distinction in the International Chemistry Exam.

- Ms Kelly explained the Primary Links program and said that there would be 40 Year 5 girls and their parents in the school at the end of the week. The program had been very successful so far.

Treasurer’s Report

The Treasurer’s report noted that there had been no movement in the bank balance but that two cheques needed to be written: one for $2900 for the school and the second for the Breast Cancer Foundation ($200).

The current balance stands at $15,253.92.
**Fundraising Report**

It was noted that Saturday 19th November 2001 was Back to Hunters Hill Day. RGHS would be open for past students to walk around the school. The P&C were asked whether they wanted to hold a cake and coffee stall but it was decided that as the markets would be on it may not be worth it.

It was agreed however to run the Gelato Cart for Monday and Tuesday 5/6th December to coincide with the Year 7 2012 Orientation Day.

**Music Committee (RIEP) Report**

Lynn Tunnock noted that the Music Committee had not met and therefore there was no report.

**Grounds Report**

No report

**General Business**

A lengthy and robust discussion about the RGHS band took place. It was agreed that the outcome of the discussion was to help make the band program strong, vibrant and fun to be a part of and to increase the performance opportunities for the students.

A number of key issues emerged including:

- The importance of holding auditions for the band at Orientation Day
- Starting the band program strongly at the beginning of the year with a clear timetable of activities and expectations
- The need for both strong musical and administrative leadership
- The need to raise the profile of the band
- Increasing the performance opportunities for all members of the band
- The need to rewrite the job description for the band leader and to issue a new and revised contract to the band leader which includes clearer expectations.

It was agreed that the school should write a 12 month contract based on a model contract from a school with a successful band program. This would then be circulated to members of the Band Committee for comment prior to advertising externally. The aim would be to fill the position to start Week 1, Term 1, 2012 with the possibility of the person participating in Orientation Day auditions.

**Future Meetings**

- October 12th – to be preceded by a talk about NAPLAN results by the School Executive at 7pm. This meeting would be held in the Staff Common Room.
- November 9th – AGM