



# P&C Federation

Committed to Public Education

## Rules & By Laws of Riverbank Public School P&C Inc.

1. These rules are made under the constitution of Riverbank Public School Parents and Citizens' Association Inc.
2. The association is formed for the benefit of the pupils of the school and to that end it will:
  - participate as much as possible in the activities of the school and communicate with all members of the school community;
  - co-operate in the activities of the Federation of Parents & Citizens' Associations of New South Wales and District and Regional Councils; and
  - do such other things as may promote the interests of public education.
3. The financial year of the association shall close on 31 December each year.
4. The annual general meeting of the association shall be held in fourth Wednesday of February of each year, in conjunction with and preceding the ordinary general meeting for that month. The agenda of the annual general meeting shall include setting the membership fee of the association for the ensuing year.
5. A general meeting of the association shall be held on the fourth Wednesday of every month, commencing at 7.00pm.
6. Any person eligible for membership may become a member or renew membership by paying the required membership fee of \$1.00 to the Treasurer or nominee of the Treasurer after any general meeting. Membership shall remain current until the close of the annual general meeting in the following year. The Secretary shall be responsible for maintaining an up-to-date register of membership. The provisions of this rule are to do with membership. For insurance purposes the categories of "member" and "volunteer" are distinct. A list of members is a legal necessity. For insurance purposes each association is strongly advised to maintain a list of occasions on which there are volunteers working on its behalf. It is preferable that there be a list of names of volunteers, who need not be members, associated with each occasion.
7. At a general meeting the quorum shall be in accordance with Rule 10 of the constitution.
8. If a meeting for which due notice has been given does not achieve a quorum within 15 minutes of the advertised starting time, the meeting will be cancelled and business deferred to the next general meeting.
9. In the absence of the Secretary the remaining members of the Executive or any five members of the association may call any meeting that is required, giving due notice of

the business proposed for the meeting.

10. All meetings of the association shall be conducted in accordance with the appropriate By-laws of Federation 'Standing Orders for the Conduct of All Meetings'. Unfinished business on notice at the previous meeting shall be dealt with as 'Matters Arising From Minutes'.
11. As well as the provisions of Federation Standing Order 6 'Notices of Motion', a group of members of the association equal to the quorum for the meeting may require that particular items of new business without notice be placed on notice for the next meeting.
12. The association may elect representatives who will be responsible to the association in the same way that Federation representatives are responsible to Federation under Section 413 of Federation Policy. The association may decide at the time of election what form of reporting is required.
13. A general meeting of the association may declare any officer who has been absent for three successive meetings, as set out in Federation By-Law 4 (r) (iii), to have vacated their position and to have created a casual vacancy to be dealt with by means of rule 6 of the constitution.
14. Any motion to expend association monies must be placed on notice for the meeting at which it is to be considered. The provisions of such a sample rule should not hamper subcommittees from expending those monies necessary for normal running costs. In fact, a subcommittee's powers to expend monies should be defined by the association when the subcommittee is set up, e.g, an auxiliary may need to buy materials for fundraising activities. Under the guidelines for incorporation, all funds belong to the association, and expenditure must be authorised by the association. A subcommittee must not expend funds for any purpose outside those allowed by the association. There is nothing, however, to prevent an association setting up a subcommittee to raise funds for some particular goal, or a subcommittee recommending a particular use for the funds it has raised.
15. The association may confer the honour of Life Membership on a member who has made an outstanding contribution to the work of the association. Life Members may attend and speak at meetings but are not entitled to vote or to hold office unless they are also ordinary members in terms of Rule 4 in these rules.

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Amendments table

**Motion 1.** By law 4 - February 24<sup>th</sup> 2016 in relation to item 4 of Riverbank Public School P&C By - laws. Stated that AGM will be held 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of February in the calendar year followed by General Meeting.

Motion made by Lesley Parsons to change the AGM to 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of May in the Calendar year. To give the Treasurer time to complete Auidts from the previous financial year.

Motion was passed and adopted. 24<sup>th</sup> February 2016 .