

THE HIGH SCHOOL FAMILY



Relationships to retain our traditions and
assure our future

SBHS P & C Association

- ✓ Established on 11 June 1925
- ✓ Became a body corporate under the Parents and Citizens Association Incorporation (Amendment) Act 1991
- ✓ Constitution adopted October 1992

SBHS P & C Association (cont.)

Objects

To promote the best interests of the school by bringing parents, citizens, students and teaching staff into close co-operation by -

- a) Providing or assisting to provide and select any requirements of the school not provided by the Education Department as recommended by the Principal.
- b) Assisting in any or all of the school's sporting activities

SBHS P & C Association (cont.)

- c) Assisting in any other matters affecting the general welfare of the school.
- d) Providing a Prize Fund for the students, with a view to encouraging them in their studies.
- e) To assist in providing facilities and equipment for the school in promoting the recreation and welfare of the students at the school.
- f) To be responsible for the election of parent representatives to any school council constituted at the school in consultation with the Principal of the school.

The Constitution of the Parents & Citizens Association

4. Membership will be open to all parents of students attending the school and to all citizens within the school community.
5. The Executive Committee, which shall be constituted of the officers of the Association and up to six other members, shall carry out the decisions of the Association.
10. Where the Association has a current membership of 50 or more, the quorum at all meetings of that Association shall be 11 members. (< 50 members, the quorum is 5.)

The Constitution of the Parents & Citizens Association (cont.)

3. The Association shall not exercise any authority over the teaching staff or any matter relating to the control or management of the school.
13. The Association may establish sub-committees, however styled, to carry out specific functions on its behalf: (reporting responsibility)
16. No commitment shall be entered into for the expenditure of Association funds, except by a resolution of a meeting of the Association.

P & C Role

1. Advisory body to School Council and Principal

2. Membership – staff may be members; executive and committees elected by those present at meetings

3. Manages its own finances and holds its own bank account

School Council Role

1. Mandated for decision making – S36(i) Part 6 *Education Reform Act*

2. Membership – elected staff, parents, students, appointed community members. Defined constituencies.

3. Advises on the school budget but cannot hold a bank account

The Sydney Boys High School Council

The Sydney Boys High School Council was established in June, 1995, pursuant to the provisions of the Education Act, 1990. It replaced the *Sydney High School Council* which had operated since 1951.

Its aims and objectives were different from those of the *Sydney High School Council*. However, it carried on the coordinating role of the previous Council.

Aims of the Sydney Boys High School Council:

- ✓ To enable formal participation by the school community in the planning and governance of Sydney Boys High School.
- ✓ To foster closer links between the school and its community.

The Sydney Boys High School Council (cont.)

Objectives

- (i) To discuss and ratify broad school policy in relation to:
- The aims and educational goals of the school
 - Its educational priorities and needs
 - The welfare of students
 - Its relationships with the community

Consistent with the continued operation of the school as an academically selective school operating within both the public education system and the Athletic Association of the Great Public Schools.

The Sydney Boys High School Council (cont.)

Objectives (cont.)

- ii. To advise and assist the Principal, staff and other appropriate persons of organisations (including the Foundation) in matters affecting the priorities, needs, welfare and operation of the school.
- iii. To co-ordinate the activities of the P & C, OBU, Foundation and other bodies within the School Community in implementing policies consistent with objective (1)
- iv. To encourage and promote school community participation in school activities.

NB (4.3) It is the Principal who remains accountable for the total management of the school and the management of school finances.

The Sydney High School Foundation Incorporated

- ✓ The Foundation was incorporated in 1986 [under the Associations Incorporation Act 1984] and acquired the School Council assets, which it had acquired and/or managed since 1951.
- ✓ The Council took over responsibility for the administration of Abbotsford and McKay from the Old Boys Union.
- ✓ It co-ordinated the activities of the OBU and the P & C in respect of asset acquisition and management.
- ✓ The Foundation took over the asset acquisition and management role of the Council.

Objectives of The Foundation

- ✓ To acquire, hold and manage real property and other assets on behalf of the school
- ✓ To raise money by fund raising, loan or overdraft to provide additional services and facilities for the school
- ✓ To receive bequests and other donations on behalf of the school and to use the funds as directed by the benefactors
- ✓ To enter into legal arrangements and take other action necessary to satisfy the above objectives
- ✓ To preserve, develop and maintain the standards, position and facilities of the Sydney High School

How is the School Foundation Organised?

The membership of the Foundation reflects the partnership which has existed between the OBU and the P & C since 1925.

Directors of the Foundation

- ✓ President of the Old Boys Union
- ✓ President of the Parents and Citizens Association
- ✓ Three elected persons from the Old Boys Union
- ✓ Three elected persons from the P & C Association
- ✓ The Principal

The Chairman is elected annually from one of the school groups. The Foundation meets at the school each month. It currently employs a High Store Manager and A Fairland Pavilion Booking Officer.

The Foundation..

...has the responsibility to manage these assets:

The Outterside Centre

The High Store

The Fairland Pavilion

The Foundation raises money by:

- ✓ Building Foundation donations by parents and friends of Sydney High
- ✓ Bank loans and loans from individual benefactors
- ✓ Loans and donations from the High Club
- ✓ Earnings from assets and investments

The Foundation..

...contributes to the school directly by:

- ✓ Managing Trusts held on behalf of the school
- ✓ Financing approved asset acquisition projects
- ✓ Maintaining assets used by the students, staff and parents
- ✓ Financing school projects

Sydney High School Old Boys Union Incorporated

Objectives:

1. To promote and foster the interests of Sydney Boys High
 - a) To strengthen the heritage and tradition of the school, to record its history and enhance its reputation
 - b) To promote, encourage, maintain and strengthen friendship and goodwill among members of the union
 - c) To preserve the interest of Old Boys in the school by the encouragement of scholarship, sport, social activities
 - d) To acquire real and personal property for the school
 - e) To make gifts of money to the school
 - f) To promote events, contests, competitions to raise funds
 - g) To award scholarships, prizes, bursaries, exhibitions and to make loans to students, former students and teachers

Sydney High School Old Boys Union Incorporated

Objectives (cont.):

2. To organise and hold: dinners, parties, balls, sporting events...
3. To encourage and promote all kinds of amateur games, sports...
4. To give or contribute towards prizes, medals and trophies...
5. To procure the delivery of lectures to its members...
6. To promote a club for the benefit of members of the Union...
7. To purchase, supply, sell and deal in all badges, books, ties...
8. To acquire, print, establish and publish a periodical...
9. To purchase, hire, lease or otherwise acquire property...

The OBU supports the school through its corporate (the Foundation) and its social (the High Club) links.

The High Club

The High Club was incorporated in May, 1957. The High Club premises were opened officially on 3 April 1959 at 81 York Street. The Club moved to the second floor of the Maccabean Hall at 146 Darlington Road on 13 September 1971.

The High Club currently has no premises.

The High Club (cont.)

Objectives:

1. To bring into existence a feeling of mutual help and friendship amongst former students, teachers and former teacher and friends of Sydney High
2. To establish and carry on a club for the accommodation of members of the community and their friends
3. To promote and assist in any way Sydney High, the OBU and the students attending the school and bodies promoting the welfare of the school

