

Mount Lawley Senior High School
Languages Parent Support Group 2012

Minutes for General Meeting 19th June 2012

Meeting: Commenced at 7.39pm

Apologies:

Attendance: Grace Costa, Allison Foster, Cathy Sutherland, Sondra Tate, Andrea Ko, Karen De Lore

Minutes: Minutes of the previous meeting 1st May 2012 moved by Allison, seconded by Sondra and approved.

Matters arising from the Minutes:

- Welcomed new Head of Department Grace Costa, with Grace introducing herself and her background in Language Education.
- Languages Soiree: Sondra to make final contact with Sue Faranda in relation to payment of drinks, if no response we will accept that our commitment has been met.
- Mask Invoice – Confirmed as paid by Andrea Ko
- Car Rally – Sondra is working on a date and rally plan. Possibly need to avoid finals dates for youth football (late August into September) and WAFL grand final (23rd September). AFL grand final is a Saturday so we should stick to a Sunday for the rally.
- Chinese Cultural Trip – Grace provided an update on the number of students (26), teachers (?) and parents (5) going on the trip.
- New Committee Members – we discussed that there is a limited active number of parents involved in the Language Support Group and what to do about this. Grace is keen also to see the number increase and will work with the group to better inform parents and carers of upcoming activities and where parents can add support.
- Career Expo Day – 5th July. The group has committed to running a cake stall for the expo day from 2.00-4.00pm. We will require donations and volunteers to sell. Karen to ensure notice goes out to parents. Cakes etc. to be delivered to Student Services from the start of the day.

New Business:

Grace spoke to the group about aspects of Language education – including the importance of making languages fun and enjoyable, along with the need for cultural exchanges. Grace spoke about her need for the parent group to be an active component of the languages education.

GATE introduction day 22nd June – Grace requested parents to attend the GATE day – Andrea and Sondra to aim to attend.

Language Week – We discussed with Grace the plan to focus on a language each day and how the support group can provide input and support to the week. The Week will be Week 7 Term 3 starting on the 3rd September. Grace will provide more information at the next meeting.

Meeting Closed: 8.50pm

Next Meeting: Tuesday 31st July at 7.30pm. Languages Meeting Room.

Karen De Lore – Secretary

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