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Mount Lawley SHS Parents & Citizens Association Inc.

**General Meeting** 

Minutes 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2008

Open 19:30, Conference Room, 1st Floor Admin Building, MLSHS

## 1. Attendance

Suzie Barnes, Jo Furness, Milton Butcher, Sue Faranda, Penny Scott, G. David Rose, Dennis & Claudine Bates, Kerry White, Julie Kernutt, Georgia Coulter, Debora Colvin, Petra Zothner, Sue Lunn, Georgia Coulter

## 2. Apologies

Catherine Smith, David Hawkes, Lety Ognenis, John Pryor, Michael Camilleri

# 3. Minutes of Previous Meeting

Move acceptance of minutes: Jo Seconded: Julie Passed ... unanimous.

## 4. Matters arising:

## 4.1. Fundraising - cost of airconditioning

Look to have a "fundraising target" to put air-conditioning in the Library. Cost is of the order \$60k-\$70k. Can establish a "tax deductible fund and aim to have the project 50/50 funded between the P&C and the School.

#### 4.2. LOTE Sub-Committee

Some of those interested have started to discuss...

### 4.3. Cross-walk

Letter has been sent to City of Stirling raising the issue...

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## 5. Reports

## 5.1. Principal's Report

Report presented, the following are the highlights...

- Raid on bike compound: highly organised, stole expensive machines. Reward offered.
- Wanton violence: patrols increased.
- <u>Citizenship Prize:</u> Christine Richardson pleased, humbled and willing to accept that award is in her name.
- Another (yet to be named) prize: donation from ex-soldier to establish an award.
- "Brag wall": display wall in main office to become a "brag wall" once the Anqing display moved.
- Scholarships: school is looking to introduce scholarships.
- Health Grant: general agreement that committee to be set-up. P&C Rep to be Jo Furness.
- Academic Extensions for Year 10: to be established, once running may introduce into Years 8 and 9.
- Athletics Carnival: great success. Lots of noise. Potential inter-school carnival representatives seen.
- Next Year's Prefects: interviews held... great candidates.
- Year 8 Enrolment: 70 turned away.

## 5.2. Treasurer's Report

ACCOUNT BAL	ANCES:		Opening	Available	Term Deposit
GENERAL Commi	tment		21,514.79	20,314.79	
	Display boards Chill Out	<del>1,800.00</del> 1,200.00			
	Orini Out	1,200.00			
LIBRARY			9,188.46	1,265.24	
Commitment					
	Clickview	5,791.95			
	Books	1,200.00			
	Online Database	1,000.00			
SVAPA			14,858.27	tba	5,516.08
Checks outstanding		,		,	
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UNIFORM.S	3		19,045.05	X,XXX.XX	
Checks	outstanding				
MUSIC			17,422.51	8,420.03	
TOTAL			82,029.08	tba	

TERM DEPOSITS

SVAPA (3.15%) matures 28<sup>th</sup> August

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#### 2007 Audit Report is done:

- Disclaimers mainly for the Westpac accounts for Music, and lack of supporting documentation, and SVAPA for availability to source records. End result the Auditor was unable to determine if 2007 accounts were true and fair
- Series of suggestions made on how to improve quality and veracity of records, eg
  - 1. P&C President to sign-off records
  - 2. Consolidated Accounts (use standard spreadsheets)
  - 3. Reduction of (uniform shop) stock
  - 4. Maintain and file documentation
  - 5. End-of-Year closing documentation
- John, Kerry, Georgia, G. David, Suzie and Auditor to gather and discuss
- Move that \$1800 approved for display boards (from general account) is no longer required:

Seconded: Georgia Passed ... unanimous.

## 5.3. Middle School Report

Not met yet...

## 5.4. Uniform Shop Report

- Tudor has been bought out, waiting to see how new owners wish to run accounts
- Year 8 "try-on" is slow, may be showing up near end of year
- Increase in price of blouse 12 week order cycle
- Cheryl not available for Term 4. Suzie can help out, but not sure of legality/insurance
- Move that P&C endorse Suzie to assist in Uniform Shop providing legal/insurance OK: Denis Seconded: Jo

Passed ... unanimous.

#### 5.5. MLSHS Committees

#### **5.5.1. Finance**

- Discussed Fee Schedule ... and request for P&C Fundraising to go on list of contributions (is \$25 appropriate)
- Do we want to start a building fund, to get tax deductibility
- Fee increases for studies in Café and Clothing Design
- Purchased percussion instruments
- Agreement to fund a school performance at Arts Festival (around April/May 2009)
- Trying to improve the book ordering process
- Monies outstanding from 2008 fees letters to be sent
- Reviewing the Constitution for Finance Committee, and whther P&C wants more representatives.

#### 5.5.2. eLearning - no recent meeting

Nil to report...

#### 5.5.3. Health

Nil to report...

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#### 5.6. School Council

- Costs & Charges: discussed.
- <u>"Asian language proposal"</u>: looking to accentuate the asian language studies and seek additional support from federal funding for additional programs etc. This would be an expansion to the current language program. P&C is will to lend its support.

## 5.7. P&C Standing Committees

#### 5.7.1. SVAPA

- Year 10 Camp is to go ahead, albeit with limited attendance
- Production planned for next year that will be exciting
- Workshops about to be held

## **5.7.2. Music Support Committee**

- AGM on 23rd Oct.
- Purchased piano, and some leads and stools
- New black shirt (with logo) is available through the Uniform Shop
- Concert held at WAAPA costs covered, great success
- Continuing discussion around design of Music Building to improve facilities
- Trying to organise photos for each event bands attend for school records
- 2010 Trip being planned
- Year 8 evening around 23rd / 28th November

## 6. General Business

### 6.1. School Website

Now outdated. Volunteer found, but needs to be shown the "where and how" to start re-vamping the content

### 6.2. Newsletter

Acknowledged that it is an improved version lately

## 6.3. "Get Together" - China Tour

looking to hold an evening early Term 4 to gather and watch video/photo and allow a reminisce

## 7. Correspondence

- {In} Flurry of literature on benches
- {In} Review of children crossing in North St... during September

## 8. Date of Next Meeting

27th October 2008.

Closed 20:55