



# Mount Lawley Senior High School Parents & Citizens Association, Inc

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## Mount Lawley SHS Parents & Citizens Association Inc. General Meeting Minutes 25 October 2010

Open 19:30 Conference Room, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor Admin Building, MLSHS

### 1. Attendance

Suzie Barnes, Claudine Bates, Dennis Bates, Joanne Crisp, Michael Camilleri, Sue Faranda, Cristina Albillos, Julie Kernutt, David Hawkes, Penny Scott, Jo Furness, Ron Pearce, John Cloake, Milton Butcher, Deidre Davidson, David Rose, Lety Ogenis, Clemency Nicolson.

### 2. Apologies

John Pryor, Sondra Tait.

### 3. Minutes of Previous Meeting

Move acceptance of minutes: Penny Scott

Seconded: Dennis Bates

Passed: Unanimous.

### 4. Matters arising

#### 4.1 Cash Register

- Alana Young to be asked if she wants it or not - final.

#### 4.2 FAQ on P&C website

- These have been updated. Not sure if loaded.
- Carry over to next meeting when John Pryor is able to attend.

#### 4.3 Set of guideline for tours

- Suzie and Penny are working on this.
- Carry over to next meeting.

### 5. Reports

#### 5.1 Principal's Report

- The 2011 Prefects were inducted last week. The Head Boy is Cameron Furness and Head Girl, Kate Prast. (Kate's brother was Head Boy in 2006.)
- Enrolments are very strong. Few cross boundaries are able to be approved for 2011. Year 11 is also increasing.
- The 2010 NAPLAN results are very impressive. The Year 9 students and teachers are commended.
- The early start Year 11/12 is progressing.
- Letters have been sent to families where Approved Charges have not been paid as the school can no longer support students in very high cost courses where charges are not paid.
- 2 students (Joshua Matteo and Zoe Kilbourn) won gold medals in the 2010 ICAS English competition.
- Michelle Masarei had decided not to renew her café licence. An EOI will shortly be advertised.
- The school conducted a successful China Tour and re-signed it's sister school agreement with Hangzhou Number 14.



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## 5.2 P and C Treasurer's Report

David tabled his report and spoke of key issues.

The report was accepted on the motion of John Cloake. Seconded: Diedre Davidson. Carried.

## 5.3 Uniform Shop Report

- There has been healthy sales from the recent try-on days.
- Nell Gray is looking at incentives to encourage uniform purchases - details in a future Lawley Update.

## 5.4 P&C Standing Committees

### 5.4.1 SVAPA

The next meeting is 3 November 2010.

### 5.4.2 Music

The last meeting was 12 October 2010 and reviewed Term 3.

- The Committee has commissioned a percussion piece from Greg Coles.
- The Committee has also explored building options to improve the facilities. Due to the expected cost of the building consideration is being given to corporate sponsorship. The next meeting is 30 November.

### 5.4.3 Art Auction

This Committee is in recess.

- Suzie has met the Currambine PS Art Committee. Julie explained that their art show is run different. Currambine combines the event with a cocktail party and fare type activities. They have corporate sponsors. Also sell children's work.

### 5.4.4 Languages

Sondra advised that the next meeting is on 30 November 2010.

## 5.5 MLSHS Committees

### 5.5.1 Finance Committee

Will meet next week.

### 5.5.2 Health Committee

Diedre and Clemency reported on activities.

- The Middle School Health Expo is scheduled for 28 October 2010. Some parents have volunteered to assist.

### 5.5.3 School Council

John reported on recent Council developments.

- Mobile telephones, NAPLAN and CMS.



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### **6. General Business**

#### **6.1 Lawley Update**

Some concerns were outlined over the late distribution of the Lawley Update. Suzie will follow-up with Anne for a PDF format version.

#### **6.2 Building Fund**

This is under way. This can be promoted by the P&C. There was a suggestion to look at where the temperature "hot spots" are for best roll out of air conditioning.

#### **6.3 Old Uniform Stock**

There was a discussion on old stock.

Move to discount items by 20% for three months and then by 20% if not sold Clemency Nicolson. Seconded: Ron Pearce. Carried.

Passes: Unanimously.

#### **6.4 Wearing of Hats**

John raised this matter on behalf of a parent. The concern was that students did not wear hats during PE and lunch times etc - duty of care issue. Suzie suggested that this matter be deferred as there is some extra information being sourced. Issues such as sunscreen, scheduling of activities etc are also relevant.

#### **6.5 Crosswalk at North Street/Second Avenue**

There has been a survey of use and it may be difficult to sustain the crosswalk. Milton to encourage the use of crosswalk in the next school flyer.

#### **6.6 China Tour**

Clemency asked that Anne be acknowledged for her prompt updating of the blog through photographs. Parents appreciated the opportunity to see their children.

#### **6.7 Final P&C Meeting for former President - David Hawkes**

David stated that this was his last meeting and he had enjoyed his experience. He outlined how he had seen the school rebuilt and the new uniform introduced and then handed in his volunteer badge. Members appreciated his contribution to the P&C.



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### 6.8 P&C Funds Distribution

A number of submissions were considered.

- **Air Conditioning.** The meeting felt air conditioning should be left for the building fund proposal.
- **Shade Sails.** These cannot be installed in schools.
- **Lockers/Heavy books.** The issue with books remains, however, installing lockers is problematic with the school's design. Suzie suggested funding a study of heavy books and looking at all solutions eg iPads, readers, CD etc. Purchasing site licences could also be an option. The purchase of more heavy books in classes could also be made.
- **Jazz Band Workshop.** This was referred to the Music Support Committee.
- **Lockable cage in Change rooms.** There was support for this proposal in principle, however, there were no costings. More work will be conducted.
- **Drink fountain.** There is already an existing drink fountain outside school buildings.
- **Clocks.** The suggestion was to replace all batteries in clocks at the one time.
- **Library Books.** There may not be room in the library for more books - would need shelves.
- **iPads or similar.** John and Ron will look at what books are available and follow-up with publishers.
- **Trolleys.** This was endorsed - 4 trolleys.
- **Data Projectors.** This school is rolling out projectors - if not, can be considered next year.
- **Music Building.** Too expensive to be considered.
- **Homework Club.** The proposal is to fund the teacher supervisors conducting the club. If supported, would need to be monitored to assess the impact. It was suggested that there be a small fee that could be used for refreshments. The meeting decided to fund the Club for 6 months for the whole school. Feedback and a report required to assess continued funding.
- **Volleyball.** Other school tours saw groups purchase their own uniforms etc or students could fund raise. Not supported.
- **Chaplaincy.** School is funding this.
- **MP3 Players for Languages.** The meeting decided to allocate \$1000 with the Languages Parent Committee to be asked to pay the remainder.

Following a discussion of the proposals the meeting allocated the following:

- Trolleys - \$2,000.
- MP3 players - \$1,000.
- Homework Club - \$5,000.
- Cages in change rooms - up to \$10,000 was initially allocated.

Move to allocate the funds as listed. Ron Pearce. Seconded: John Cloake. Carried.

### 7. Correspondence

In: Tutoring proposal.  
Cross walk feedback.  
Investing in public schools meeting.  
WACSSO information etc.

Out: Nil

Next Meeting  
7.30 pm Mon 22 November 2010  
Meeting Closed 21:50