

MT LAWLEY SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL

MINUTES OF SCHOOL COUNCIL HELD ON 19 FEBRUARY 2007

CHAIRPERSON: Christine Richardson

SECRETARY :Christine Richardson

	Agenda Item	Discussion	Action	Person responsible
1.	Present	Members: Christine Richardson, Terry Boland, Dale Irving, Bev Burnside, Rob Walker, Catherine Smith, Lucy Dean, Alice Ding, Darcy Rowe, Elizabeth Kernutt, Anne Griffiths, Dalip Sondhi, Geoff White, Ros Marsland, Observers: Georgina Fraser, Sondra Tate, Don Rowe,		
2.	Apologies	Anne Griffiths		
3	Introduction and Welcome	The Chair welcomed newly elected members of Council and lead introductions around the table.		
4	Minutes of Previous Meeting	The minutes of the meeting held on February 5 th , 2007 were accepted subject to correcting the date of the meeting to Feb 5 th .	Ensure that all minutes are available from the School website.	Christine Richardson, Mark Lynch
5	School Council –Terms of Reference	The Chair briefed all members about the powers and duties of the School Council and referred them to the Terms of Reference and to the WACSSO publication that had been previously circulated.		
6	Report on 2006 School Council Activities	The Chair tabled a report on the activities of School Council during 2006 and spoke to that report. Key achievements were: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Contribution to future planning • Revision of dress code and new uniform • Contributing to <i>Investing in Schools</i> funding • Learning area briefings by science and society & environment • Changes to Terms of Reference 	Report to be available from the School website	Christine Richardson, Mark Lynch

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	Report on 2006 School Council Activities (continued)	<p>Activities carried forward to 2007:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2007 budget oversight • Heavy school bags / lockers issue • Developing a more effective link between School Council and Student Council • Enhancement of the School's commitment to the care of the Ex_POW Memorial and its remembrance activities around Anzac day • Promotion of aboriginal culture through the 'enough is enough' campaign • Briefings from learning areas • Support the strategies developed in the 'future planning' proposal. 	<p>Schedule into future meetings</p> <p>Circulate the heavy bags discussion paper</p>	Christine Richardson Terry Boland
7	Election of Office Bearers 2007	<p>The Principal then advised members that as per section 5.3 of the Terms of Reference "The Chairperson of the Council is to be elected by and from its members." And asked for nominations for the position of Chairperson and Deputy Chairperson.</p> <p>Christine Richardson was elected Chairperson Rob Walker was elected Deputy Chairperson</p>	Minutes Secretary – cycle through membership via a roster	
	Principal's Report	<p>The Principal reported on a range of matters, including</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Success of the implementation of the new school dress code • Greatly increased school numbers • New staff (noting commenced year with all positions filled) • Future planning document • Proposal for enhanced links with ECU • Minimum academic standards policy to identify standards expected to be met by year 11 students to move into year 12 courses. 	<p>School Council unanimously supported the "Minimum Standard Policy for Year 11 Students" as presented.</p> <p>Members requested:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • More attention to Year 10 as a transition year • More opportunities made for communication with parents 	Terry Boland

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	Provisional Schedule of Council Business	Carried over to the next meeting		
	Any Other Business	Geoff White reported on the implementation of the Uniform Shop by the P&C and advised members that Suzie Barnes and David Hawkes had put in an enormous effort to ensure that uniforms were available for the start of the school year. He also reported that a backpack with wheels was available and could be overprinted with the School crest.		
	Next meeting	The next meeting of the 2007 Council will be held on Monday March 19 th at 7.30 pm in the Conference Room		