



Mount Lawley Senior High School Parents & Citizens Association, Inc

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Mount Lawley SHS Parents & Citizens Association Inc. General Meeting Minutes 26 October 2009

Open 19:35, Conference Room, 1st Floor Admin Building, MLSHS

1. Attendance

Milton Butcher, Suzie Barnes, Sondra Tate, G. David Rose, Lety Ognenis, Debora Colvin, John Cloake, Dennis & Claudine Bates, Clemency Nicolson, Penny Scott, Sue Faranda, Jo Furness, Michael Camilleri, Diedre Davidson, Paul Dearlove, David Hawkes,

Apologies

Julie Kernutt, John Pryor, Sharon Cockroft, Dawn Pekin, Catherine Smith, Kerry White

2. Minutes of Previous Meeting

Move acceptance of minutes: Debora Colvin

Seconded: Jo Furness

Passed: unanimous.

3. Matters arising:

3.1. *Uniform Shop*

A contract with Uniform Concepts for the running of the uniform shop has been completed. Many thanks to the working group and Deborah Colvin and John Hewitt for their expertise in completing the contract details.

5.0 Reports

5.1 *Principal's Report- Milton Butcher*

- 5.1.1. The Yr 12 Breakfast and final assembly went well today with no major incidents. Many students were acknowledged for their excellence and all for their contribution.
- 5.1.6 Yr 10's will start year 11 at the end of 2009 prior to the summer holidays and focus on skills development for year 11, letters will go out to parents soon. The aim of this initiative ultimately is to get yr 12 starting a little earlier in the future to allow more time for courses to be taught.
- 5.1.3. Lt. General John Sanderson visited the school recently and was very impressed with his Yr 8 hosts
- 5.1.7 Channel Nine/A Current Affair recently gave the school good publicity when it featured student Kristina Krstic who competed successfully in the National Lawn Bowls Championships.
- 5.1.8 MLSHS was informed that it was not granted Independent Public Schools Status, this will be followed up as to what criteria were not met etc.
- 5.1.9 Air Conditioning – the school has found that the power capacity currently in place is adequate to run the air conditioning proposed. A tax-deductible building fund will be set up for parent contributions to augment the monies already provided by the school to start this large and expensive project.
- 5.1.10 Xhe Jiang University visitors were pleased to visit the school recently and Yr10 and 11 Chinese students took the visitors around conversing in Chinese where possible.



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- 5.1.11 Beijing Education institute delegation will be visiting on November 19th and the school is keen to link with its 'Confucius classroom' concept.
- 5.1.12 The Inaugural 'Middle School of the year' award has been awarded to MLSHS middle School. A panel visited and assessed the school in a range of criteria.

5.2 Treasurer's Report

Account	Balance	After funds committed
General	\$24,375.83	\$18,175
Library	\$1,114.17	\$1,114
Uniform Shop	\$29,048.84	\$29,048
SVAPA (+ term deposit)	\$15,861.34	\$21,684
Music(+ term deposit)	\$13,903.56	\$21,903
Language	\$20.00	\$20.00
TOTAL	\$84,323.74	\$91,924

Also tabled were income statement and balance sheet details for accounts

5.2.1 Notes

- Term Deposits for SVAPA \$5823.00 to Sept 28th 09 and Music \$8000.00.
- The library merchant service is cancelled
- David to organise bank account profiles

5.3 Uniform Shop Report

Uniform Concepts will take over the running of the shop and will fit it out in the school holidays. Yr 8 try on days went well and orders are being processed.

5.4 MLSHS Committees

5.4.1 Finance

There was no quorum for the last scheduled meeting so it was not held.

5.4.2 eLearning

The funds donated by the P and C have been used to wire two more classrooms so they can now function as 'smart classrooms'. The website report has been completed and key proposals put out to tender. It is hoped this project will be completed early 2010.



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5.4.2 Health

The Middle School Lifestyle forum was held recently and well received by staff and the students who were well engaged by the activities. Rob Tyler was very thankful for the staff and parent help that made the day possible. Many thanks also to Suzie Barnes who ran the show on the day. Parent helpers reported that they appreciated the thankyou letter sent shortly after the event from Mr Butcher, a nice touch they said.

MLSHA has also won some sports equipment from ACHPER

5.5 School Council Report

5.5.1 Chaplains position- this has previously been funded by a federal govt. program which comes to an end next year. Parents will be encouraged to pay their voluntary contribution fee so this program can be continued.

5.5.2 Applications for various scholarships exist for students from Yr 8-12 including two Humanities scholarship from Michael Sutherland, Science Scholarships, Scholarships from the Bookshop provider, VET student Scholarships and a Yr10 maths Scholarship. Information is available from the main office.

5.5.3 A recent fundraiser for charity took place- the 40 hour famine- students raised in excess of \$5000.00.

5.5.4 Heavy books/bags still remain an issue for students

5.6 P&C Standing Committees

5.6.1 SVAPA

Terms of reference – still to be discussed

5.6.2 Music Support Committee

5.6.2.1 2010 Music tour to Sydney- cost now \$2300 per student

5.6.2.2 Recent \$5000.00 given to school will be documented as spent when receipts provided. In future the Committee will pay on invoice or make out a cheque to providers, this keeps track of the committees money better and by not attracting GST gives better value.

5.6.2.3 The concert last week with some primary schools and other groups was very successful

5.6.2.4 The committee sent a letter to the school on behalf of parents of the current Cert IV Yr 11 group who feel the group lacks guidance, asking that this situation be resolved.

5.6.2.5 Carols on the Lawn is on Nov 28th

5.6.2.6 Look at the terrific Music website!!

5.6.3 Languages Support Committee

5.6.3.1 GATE students have been surveyed re satisfaction/ideas for improvement- results being analysed

5.6.3.2 New GATE parents will informed about the role of the languages committee and approached on Dec 10th to join/contribute to the committee.

5.6.3.3 Italian Tour 2010 has the numbers to go ahead.



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6 General Business

6.1 ProActive

6.1.1 Fitness Circuit

This program officially ends Dec09 but the fitness circuit is not yet built. Quotes are over budget by \$21,000 (\$127,000 cf budget of \$106,000) and the P and C and School have been asked to contribute this shortfall.

Motion: That the MLSHS P and C commit to providing \$13,000.00 towards the completion of the fitness circuit

Moved: Clemency Nicolson

2nd: Penny Scott

Passed: 11 votes for, 1 vote against, 3 abstainers

6.1.2 Calendar events

Yoga is starting this week with Yr 10 and 11.

Four groups have completed the Shape Her Program

Walk week events are on the program for yr 8 next week

6.2 Mt Hawthorn Bus Route

There is no bus service to school from this area which is in our zone for the last two years. In total only one Transperth bus comes ,from another area, to the school bus stop in the morning and several depart at 3.20pm.

A letter/petition to/from parents whose children would use the bus in the next year may encourage Transperth to provide a service/or add on to an existing service. Mr Butcher and Camilleri and Ms Faranda will organise this approach.

6.3 Suzie Barnes awarded

Suzie has received a City of Stirling Community service award for service to youth., congratulations Suzie, this is well deserved!

6.4 Thank you morning for volunteers will be held mid-December- date will be confirmed soon

7 Correspondence

- Letter received re - the Chaplaincy program funding. Details above,
- Generation next- youth event
- WACSO- P and C training program in November and policy docs/constitution rules

6 Next Meeting

7:30 pm on Mon 23 rd November 2009

Meeting Closed 21.00