



Mount Lawley Senior High School Parents & Citizens Association, Inc

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President - Ron Pearce

Secretary - John Pryor

General Meeting Minutes 28 May 2012

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

1 ATTENDANCE

M. Butcher, R. Pearce, K. De Lore, S. Faranda, D. Bates, C. Bates, J. Cloake, M. Camilleri, J. Fugl, M. Selvey, D. Pekin, D. Brennan, B. Thomas, V. Bastion, S. Cockcroft, L. Ogenesis, N. Kilcullen

2 APOLOGIES

J. Pryor, J. Mackay, K. Brown, S. Tate, S. Barnes, C Nicolson

3 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Move acceptance of minutes.

Moved: S. Cockcroft Seconded: S. Faranda

Passed: Unanimous.

4 MATTERS ARISING:

4.1 Commonwealth Bank require signatories changes for Susie, Ron and Monica. Bendigo Bank account (see point 4.3) also require signatory completion.

4.2 Monica advised that Emma Gough has been approached and tentatively agreed at \$800.00 per year to audit three years of books.

Motion: Emma Gough be elected to audit past three years books at a cost of up to \$1000.00 per year with the cost to be confirmed at the next meeting. Moved: J. Cloake, Sec: V. Bastion. Passed: Unanimous.

4.3 Monica is finalising the creation of the Bendigo Bank account, including signatories.

4.4 Discussion on the need to review the contract with Nell Gray and in particular, concerns around the core stock levels. Dawn identified that it would be beneficial to have stock reporting along with monthly report.

Motion: John Pryor to review Nell Gray contract including concerns around stock levels, accountability and reporting. Moved: D.Pekin, Sec: N.Kilcullen. Passed: Unanimous.

4.5 Milton advised that speakers in gymnasium were being reviewed.

4.6 Milton advised that the intention to prepare a Join Statement of Purpose for the MLSHS Board has been withdrawn.

- 4.7 A response was received from the Stirling City Council that the roundabout at Central Avenue and Hamer Parade does not comply with the National Standard and has been referred to the Main Roads Department. The letter is tabled with Correspondence.

5 REPORTS

5.1 President's Report

First up I would like to thank Suzie for taking the last meeting while I was away. As this is my first meeting I would like to thank the outgoing committee for the great job they did last year. In particular I would like to thank Suzie for the leadership of the P&C over the last 5 years.

For the new members of the P&C a little about myself and my connection to Mt Lawley Senior High. Currently I have one boy at MLSHS Daniel my youngest is in year 9. Cameron graduated last year and is currently studying at Curtin. Mathew who graduated in 2001. All boys entered the school through specialist programmes Mathew via the music program. Cameron via GATE. Daniel who was accepted into the SVAPA program. I have been a member of the P&C for 5 years and have served on the school council.

My aim for the P&C is for it to continue be the primary representative body for parents of students at MLSHS. I also bring to your attention the Guidelines for financial support from funds raise by the P&C as determined by the Committee in on 22 November 2010:

- Expenditure is expected to directly or indirectly benefit a significant group of students enrolled at this school.
- Preference is for expenditure that provides an enduring benefit rather than a short term impact.
- Preference is that funds raised will be expended on the current school population.
- Preference is for expenditure on items deemed a high priority by the P&C and where the school has limited capacity to fund.
- Funding for parental involvement in tours is acceptable provided that a clear selection process is advertised and adhered to. The parents must have a Working With Children Check. Parental involvement on a tour may or may not be partially subsidised.
- The P&C Executive Committee will determine the level of funds available to the MLSHS Finance Committee for allocation and those funds to be retained for other expenditure by the P&C.

- P&C delegates on the Finance Committee are charged with the responsibility of representing the wishes of the P&C and its broad priorities.
- Funds raised through voluntary contribution to the MLSHS Library Fund will be expended on eligible items, as defined by the Tax Act.

5.2 Principal's Report

Senior School Exams have been undertaken

Year 9 NAPLAN - Most students undertook the exams

Positives to arise from the testing include the development of spelling challenges and improving the approach to writing to improve outcomes in NAPLAN testing and overall.

Testing results are indicated in the MySchool database

IPS process has allowed the recruitment of Grace Costa to the Languages Department. The school is planning to bring a teacher from Hangzhou for an unofficial Chinese program.

Year 7 planning is underway to review the required building program to enable transition of Year 7.

Middle School River Cruise was successfully held, although feedback to parents re dress codes indicates that some student dress choices are inappropriate.

Positive feedback was received from ECU Gymnasium users who were using the facilities during the School ANZAC Ceremony. These community members commented on the excellent behavior of students and reflection on solid family values.

Year 9 Laptops – Milton commented on the concerns within the school regarding the Laptop rollout. Due to growing numbers the allocation for laptops was exhausted prior to Year 9 rollout. There will continue to be difficulties funding laptops.

The MLSHS Board has put a recommendation to the RED for the school to close to students on the 5th July to facilitate a full day of meetings with parents.

School benefactor Des Beard passed away in mid May. The School has placed a noticed in the West Australian.

Year 10 Counselling days will include 3 days of meetings from 8am-4pm with parents to discuss subject selection for their child. Mike Camilleri provided a demonstration of the new Online Selection program that the school is hoping to use.

Questions to Principal

Niall Kilcullen asked Milton a question on the new building program for the 2015 intake of Year 7's. Milton commented that he is currently working on plans for this and provided an overview of aspects being considered including the possibility of a new Year 9 building to allow the incoming Year 7 in 2015 to move into one of the middle school community areas.

Claudine Bates asked Milton for an update on Year 12 access to the school Cafe microwave. Milton and Mike reflected that access had been closed for a period of time due to the microwave area being left in a mess by students.

5.3 Treasurer's Report as at 27th May 2012

Audit Report

2009, 2010, 2011 – Accounts. Missing Bank Statements for Language (June-Dec 2011).

Seeking Endorsement of Emma Gough to be the Auditor for the Mount Lawley Senior High School P&C.

General		\$31,509.51
Library		\$ 58.73
Uniform Shop		\$92,954.76
▪ Add Deposit		
▪ Less Cheques		
▪ Less (Committed)		
• Disk	\$ 1,800.00	
• Auditor	\$ 3,000.00	
• Accounting Xero	\$228.00/YR	
• Sewing Club 2012	\$ 2,000.00	
• Trolleys	\$ 2,000.00	
• MP3 Players	\$ 1,000.00	
• 2011 H'work Club	\$ 6,000.00	
• Lockable Cages	\$ 15,000.00	
• Gymnasium Speakers	\$ 20,000.00	
• 2012 H'work Club	\$ 15,000.00	
• Chess / T Tennis	\$ 500.00	\$57,993.00
SVAPA (*3)		\$20,441.72
▪ Add Deposit		
▪ Less Cheques		
○ Music (*3)		\$45,599.78
▪ Add Deposit		
▪ Less Cheques		
○ Language		\$ 2,535.20
▪ Add Deposit		
▪ Less Cheques		
Total		\$193,099.70
• Term Deposits		
○ SVAPA: \$6,368.13 to 28 th Apr 2012 @ 2.7%.		
• Uniform Shop Stock-on-hand - \$3,869 (at reduced sell price) at March.		
• Language Account Balance as at 11 th July 2011.		

- 5.4 P and C Uniform Shop – no report tabled.
- 5.5 P and C Music Support Committee:
TV & Surround speakers installed.
Music Concert on line via TryBooking – Thursday, 7 June 2012.
Camp Woodman Point Recreation Camp, Rockingham.
Limited to 100 students.
String Orchestra.
Cert IV Jazz Ensembles.
Senior Concert Band.
Big Band 1.
Masterclasses – Form WASO Conductor, President of ABODA WA, Aust Band and Orchestra Director's Assn. John Morrison.
Year 11 & 12 Recital / Performance Exams.
ANZAC Day Service.
Ex POW Service King's Park.
Next meeting Thursday 31st May 2012.
- 5.6 P and C Languages Support Committee:
Successful GATE Day held 16th March.
GATE badges allocated to Year 8 & 9 students.
Car Rally – review of dates and planning commenced.
Italian Cultural Trip – Successful trip to Italy enjoyed by all.
Drive for new members – to be discussed at next meeting with new Head of Languages.
Head of Languages – Committee looking forward to meeting new head Grace Costa.
Upcoming Chinese Tour in Sept/Oct.
- 5.7 P and C SVAPA Committee:
Collaborative work with PICA underway including after school workshops.
16th June Exhibition at PICA.
Funded by PICA.
Current finances are strong at approx. \$26,000.
Art Auction – next meeting 29 May.
SVAPA – next meeting 6 June.

- 5.8 P and C Art Auction Committee:
Art work in storage.
95 pieces selected.
Advertising in full swing
Flyers and Catalogue finished.
Final proofing – Bio data.
Sponsorship is still being considered by Bendigo Bank and City of Vincent.
Opening – Director Perth Institute of Contemporary Arts (PICA) Amy Barrett-Lennard.
Letters have been sent by the school.
- 5.9 MLSHS Finance Committee:
2013 proposed subject charges were discussed and passed by the committee as were the school financial reports.
5 funding applications were tabled.
An application for smart boards for languages was supported by the committee but is to be referred to the IT Council for approval.
Request for 2 computers for Languages was declined with current equipment levels considered adequate at this time.
Cabling to complete the music keyboard lab, equipment and fish for an aquarium in Community Three and purchase of a laminator and shredder for Business Computing were all approved.
Next meeting is scheduled for 13th June.
- 5.10 MLSHS Health Committee – no report tabled.
- 5.11 MLSHS School Board:
Joint Statement of Purpose was discussed from a range of viewpoints and was withdrawn.
School Plan was approved.
Charges for 2013 were approved.
Decision to Request approval from the Director for 5 July closure of school for Parent Meetings.

6 GENERAL BUSINESS - NONE

7 CORRESPONDENCE

7.1 In

- 7.1.1 Department of Health - Talk Soon. Talk Often - A guide for parents talking to their kids about sex. – Given to Milton for use by the school.
- 7.1.2 WACSSO - 2012 Annual Conference - Proposed agenda items to be received by June 15. – No Agenda Items proposed or received.
- 7.1.3 Copy of letter from MLSHS to City of Stirling regarding roundabout at Central Ave and Hamer Pde. Acknowledged as per point 7.1.5.
- 7.1.4 Copy of letter from MLSHS to John Hyde regarding flashing speed sign for MLSHS. – Discussed as not being seen as necessary.
- 7.1.5 Response from City of Stirling Council to letter on Roundabout. Acknowledged indicating that they have forwarded on to Main Roads Department.
- 7.1.6 Australian Tax Office - Proposed Changes for Charities.
- 7.1.7 Invoice No 10907 for \$ 105.00 from MLSHS for prize vouchers for Arts Festival Day.
- 7.1.8 Invoice No 1191 for \$ 178.70 for table tennis bats and chess sets approved in P&C meeting of 26 Mar 2012.
- 7.1.9 7.1.9 Receipt from MLSHS for \$ 76.26 for Arts Festival Day recoup from the Languages Support Committee.
- 7.1.10 P&C Voice.
- 7.1.11 Fund raising literature.

7.2 Out

- 7.2.1 Letter about Roundabout at Central Ave and Hamer Pde emailed to City of Stirling on March 27.
- 7.2.2 Letter to John Fisher (DoE infrastructure) re Mount Lawley Kindy site

Meeting Closed at 8.58pm

Next Meeting Monday 25 June, at 7.30pm