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Mount Lawley Senior High School Parents & Citizens Association Inc

Minutes

Meeting Held on Monday 25 th July 2005, 7.30pm Staff Room, Admin Building, MLSHS

1. Attendance

Jeff Smith, Catherine Smith, Rob Walker, Georga Coulter, Michael Camilleri, Ros Marsland, Terry Boland, David Hawkes, Dennis Bates, Joyleen Winter, Sophie Vanzetti,

2. Apologies

Suzie Barnes, Sue Charlick, Charmian St John, Geoff White, Sue Lunn, Louise Herriman, Karen Maslin, Lety Ognensis

3. Minutes of the Previous Meeting

Accepted as a true and accurate record. Moved: Mike, Seconded: Terry.

Business Arising from the previous minutes: The bicycle theft issue Terry looked into and students have again been encouraged to use locks on bikes and to park them within the school grounds. It is acknowledged that it is an ongoing issue and will continue to be looked at.

4. Investing In Schools Initiative: Update

A draft for funding proposal for 60 (3 banks of 20) laptops, smartboards and security cabinets has been done and Christine and Terry are working on finalizing it. It will be submitted electronically before the next deadline.

5. Principals Report

Terry tabled a report and spoke to this. Covered areas of Investing in Schools Update, School Plan, Building Programme, School Cafeteria Contract and New School Reports. Of special interest to parents and visitors to the school is the new carparking visitors bays in the main front carpark which have been made available with the opening of the multistory carpark to the rear of the school. With the school cafeteria contract it is expected that calls for expressions of interest will be put out within 1-2 months. The new school reporting system was launched at MLSHS last week, with Terry himself making a starring appearance on television. Terry tabled a document regarding this system and talked parents through it. Added to what we have already been experiencing here at MLSHS is a grade (A-E) and the students position within the school cohort as well. This is relevant for years 8-10. As the information conveyed in the new reports is quite extensive, it is expected that a lot of education will occur for staff, students and parents to be able to take advantage of what the reports have to offer. Information evenings for parents will be held to start this process off. Terry reported that the teaching staff at MLSHS seem to be adapting to it quite well as it has been operating within the school for a while now.

6. Treasurers Report

Balances: General Account: \$13,637.33

Library \$7,041.52

SVAPA \$17,752.03 (cheques still to be written)

Music \$19,572.45 (cheques still to be written)

Term Deposit: Georga followed up the rates situation and advised rates available. Rob moved to amend previous decision about term deposit due to changed rates available, to put \$5,000 in for 4 months at 4.15%. Seconded by Dennis.

Rob advised that the audited statements have arrived back from last year. Record keeping with regards to fundraising and receipt keeping needs to be vigilant, but the feedback was that they were basically OK.

7. Committees

Finance - meeting next week

Implementation - meeting next week

Health - no date set for meeting as yet. Ros reported back from the Canteen expo she attended. There was a big push for healthy eating and the "big thing" was about allergies eg nuts in food, which will have to be considered for the new contract people.

Middle School - no report

Learning - no report

Mt Lawley Youth Care - not met

School Council - not met

8. SVAPA Parent Support Group

Suzie reported that they had not yet met for the term.

9. Music Parent Support Group

Not yet met for the term. Thanks were extended to everyone involved in the Art Auction again. Fundraisers coming up are Quiz Night, Sausage Sizzle. Various music concerts and performances were coming up this term. Next meeting 7pm tomorrow night.

10. Correspondence

Accso, Various fundraising ideas, WACSO conference - can anyone go? Please contact David if you can go - it is the peak body for P&Cs and often has interesting things.

11. General Business

Department of Education has employed a sociologist to research the use of the space in the middle school. David, Sophie, Georga, Catherine and Joyleen offered to be interviewed as parents.

Fundraising was brought up. The idea of a Community Fair Biannually and the P&C running the uniform shop was again discussed briefly.

Uniforms - no changes in terms of new information to the school regarding ministerial directives in Public Schools.

2004 yearbook came out today

Thanks were extended to Terry again for the partitions provided for the Art Auction and the Health Expo.

12. Meeting Close and Next Meeting Date

Meeting closed at $9 \mathrm{pm}$. Next meeting Monday 22 nd August at 7.30 pm , upstairs in the conference room, MLSHS.