

**Mount Lawley Senior High School
Languages Parent Support Group Inaugural Meeting
Tuesday December 9th 2008**

Minutes: Joseph Millimaci

Venue: Warren Daniel Conference Room

Meeting opened 7.10pm

Apologies:

Milton Butcher

Present:

Anita Chong

Bianca Petale

Joseph Millimaci

Alicia Kilbourn

Sondra Tate

Nick Beames

Committee read through the Terms of Reference as provided by Milton Butcher.

A list of P & C Members is required by the committee.

Suzie Barnes – P & C President ex officio member of the committee

Motion put forward by Sondra Tate that the committee be open to parents of all language students.

Alicia Kilbourn seconded.

Carried forward unanimously.

Sondra Tate nominated for position of Treasurer.

Alicia Kilbourn seconded.

Carried.

Alicia Kilbourn nominated for position of Secretary.

Sondra Tate seconded.

Carried.

Bianca Petale nominated Joseph Millimaci for position of Convenor.

Sondra Tate seconded.

Carried.

Nick Beames nominated as a Committee member.

Anita Chong seconded.

Carried.

Discussion of the value of role models in the community for language students.

It would be worthwhile to locate mentors in Community Business Groups

French Forum (a successful strategy).

Pickles day / festival / stall

Roster catering for meetings.

Require list of P & C meetings – Secretary to explore.

Alicia will speak to Mark Lynch regarding a Parent Support website / blog.

Alicia will speak to Anne Tumak regarding Parent Support publicity.

Alicia will investigate distributing Parent Support Group Minutes via the P & C database.

Not enough feedback to parents from school. Need more.

Performance of Carousel Theatre – to all students ? And parents ? Bianca to explore.

Restaurant outings outside school hours with parents – foster community spirit and camaraderie.

Use of community space outside school hours to have a cooking reunion. Cooking together and eating, playing music, singing, etc.

Italian nights, Chinese, nights, etc.

Build a pizza oven on the school grounds.

All present are committee members.

Tshirt – screen print of “I am a human billboard for Languages at Mount Lawley SHS.

Red Bubble – Nick to give committee a proposal regarding this group and its activities.

Item 9 in Terms of Reference: Voting

Important that all present and new members of the committee recognise and remember that we are here working together for our kids.

Norms of participation – to be brought in at beginning of each meeting – Joe to prepare and distribute.

Item 12 in Terms of Reference: Distribution of Income

Committee recommends that “All income raised by the Committee shall be applied solely for the benefit of the *GATE Languages program*” be changed to “All income raised by the Committee shall be applied solely for the benefit of the *GATE / Languages program*” in order to include parents of all language students.

Proposal that we clarify Point 12 to find out if emphasis is solely on GATE Language students or all Language students.

Wednesdays are best days for future meeting.

Meeting concluded at 8.33pm