



# Mount Lawley Senior High School Parents & Citizens Association, Inc

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Mount Lawley SHS Parents & Citizens Association Inc.

## General Meeting

Minutes 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2008

Open 19:35, Conference Room, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor Admin Building, MLSHS

### 1. Attendance

G. David Rose, Sue Weir, Clemency Nicholson, John Pryor, Dennis & Claudine Bates, K White, Sue Faranda, Dawn Pekin, Penny Scott, Georgia Coulter, Ken Beard, David Hawkes, Debora Colvin, Suzie Barnes, John Cloake, Catherine Smith, Milton Butcher, Lety Ognenis, Michael Camilleri, Ron Pearce, Julie Kernutt, Rochelle Mojovic

### 2. Apologies

Jeff Smith, Petra Zothner

### 3. Minutes of Previous Meeting



Move acceptance of minutes: Deb C.

Seconded: John P.

Passed ... unanimous.

### 5.2 Treasurer's Report (whilst we wait for PC setup)

Approximate balances:

General	\$ 4,524 (with \$1,014 chq un-presented, balance \$3,510)
	\$15,581 (3.6% Term Deposit - 19 <sup>th</sup> August)
Library	\$ 6,514
SVAPA	\$13,419
	\$ 5,516 (3.15% Term Deposit - 28 <sup>th</sup> August)
Uniform	\$13,400 (with \$1,185 chq un-presented, balance \$12,214)
Music	\$ 7,599

Uniform shop owes \$52,934, recommend pay in installments

Look to make \$10,000 available for spend, keep \$5k in TD

*Some disarray creeps in as we are about to cross to a YourTutor presentation*

Agree in principle that as funds are received (Library Fundraising) we spend it



Move that we spend the Library money (\$5971: ClickView; \$1000: OnLine DB; \$1200: Books) to a total of \$7992: Catherine

Seconded: John C

Passed ... by majority.

*We now moved into a bit of a parallel universe*

### 4. Matters arising:



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## 4.1. Usage of 'Tutoring Australia'

John has met with, and prepared a report for the P&C on the Your Tutor offering.

Want to test the experiences, and the feeling, of the P&C to see if we follow this through.

If we get 100 kids involved, costs will typically be about \$200.

Service is available 16:00 to 22:00 6 days of the week. Tutors are screened. Feedback from past use is varied from very good, to OK and not used much.

Rochelle provided a slide show overview, that was well received.

## 4.2. Fundraising Letter and Ideas

Couple of lists of spend ideas circulated. Need to determine what is available to spend.

Volleyball trip ; Benches ; Smart boards ; Projectors ; Chill-Out ...

Do we do benches ... we should "tag" items / areas where P&C has contributed ... need to use previous guidelines to assess and prioritise the requests.



Move that another \$400, for a total of \$1200 be used for the Chill-Out: Penny  
Seconded: John C.  
Passed ... unanimous.

*We return to (reasonably) normal proceedings*



Move that we provide \$1800 toward Display Boards for the Middle School: Julie  
Seconded: Ron  
Passed ... unanimous.



Move that we provide money toward Projectors ...: ... *discussion, motion went nowhere ...*

Request to teachers has been circulating for 2 weeks, nothing outstanding has been presented yet.



Move that we provide money toward Benches ...: ... *discussion, motion went nowhere ...*

Shall we discuss at next meeting ... should we provide the Finance Committee with an available \$ amount, and a filtered list of ideas for them to agree, eg volleyball, projectors, display boards and chill out.

General feeling of the meeting was that the P&C money should go toward items that the school (itself) would not normally fund.

Citizenship award to recognise students...



Move that we have an award, and call it the 'Christine Richardson Citizenship Award': Penny  
Seconded: Georgia  
Passed ... unanimous.



Suzie to check that this is appropriate, and OK... yes it is.

## 4.3. Bricks

Will be done in July. To be located in front of main Admin Building.



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## 4.4. **Matters for WACSSO**

If anyone has anything to put to the conference, please e-mail John Cloake or Suzie.

## 4.5. **LOTE Sub-Committee**

TOR for Music Sub-Committee has been used as a base for this new sub-committee. Suzie volunteered to help establish this group. Catherine and Petra willing to be involved.

## 4.6. **Union Rep**

P&C is to ask the school's union rep to front the committee and provide an update on the state of negotiations, potential industrial actions and any likely impacts on the students.

## 5. Reports

### 5.1. **Principal's Report**

Report presented, the following are the highlights (or lowlights for item 1)...

- Reporting: ban has been lifted and reports will be available on the parent day (3<sup>rd</sup> July) to be picked up.
- Parent Day (3<sup>rd</sup> July): interview times will be 10:00 - 13:00 and 14:00 - 19:00. Normal school timetable has been suspended, school will resume normal timetable for the Friday.
- Art Auction: thanks to all for a wonderful event.
- Concert Band / Choir Performances: greatly appreciated by those who get to see the performance, parents should be proud of their kids.
- Senior School Exams: concluded, and planning for tutoring in Term 3 (after school by teachers) in lead up to end of year.
- Tutoring in July: "BHP Program" is fully subscribed.
- Recent Press: a recent article in the "West Australian" that mis-quoted a student has not been well received and action taken to get an apology.

### 4.1 (Part 2) **Tutoring Australia**

Group took 5 minutes to review the offering by Tutoring Australia:

- quality of service is up to the individual to judge
- will the kids use it ... if they do it is cheap tutoring
- we will look to introduce as an offering for MLSHS and its feeder schools
- we will look to introduce this at the start of next year (no pro-rata fees for this year)
- gut feel, from John P., and the group in general, is that there is a nett benefit to be derived



John P. to get back to Tutoring Australia, thank them for the presentation and discuss the opportunities to introduce this in 2009.

### 5.2. **Treasurer's Report - already covered previously**

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### 5.3. **Middle School Report**

Not met yet...



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### **5.4. Uniform Shop Report**

- Lots of jumpers; Lots of stock
- Cheryl and Suzie are basing order quantities on demand, and last years records
- Letter received expressing concern about the jumper
  - some kids go without
  - alternative would be good
  - acknowledge the need to 'retain' a uniform
  - ... response to be sent that the School Council is responsible
  - Do we need an "in between" not jumper, more than a shirt; Leaver jacket not warm, and gets shabby after quite a bit of use
  - Issue to be dealt with by Uniform Sub-Committee that is about to meet

### **5.5. MLSHS Committees**

#### **5.5.1. Finance**

Work done to balance the budget

#### **5.5.2. eLearning - no recent meeting**

On hold - still

#### **5.5.3. Health**

Chill Out is on tomorrow

### **5.6. School Council**

School Review: conducted by District Director with some concerns raised about the Year 12 Results and GATE LOTE program. These had already been identified for further discussion. Also raised counselling of Year 10 students.

LOTE Review: request to LOTE staff to provide a short, medium and long-term plan for LOTE. Trying to provide a dedicated area for LOTE.

Financial Reporting 2008: updated financial reporting framework presented.

School Uniform Review Committee: review to be done after 2 years of the new uniform code.

Budget: endorsed

### **5.7. P&C Standing Committees**

#### **5.7.1. SVAPA**

Art Auction sales approx \$45,000

Auctioneer likes the event

Will split (roughly) \$16-\$18,000 profit between SVAPA and Music

#### **5.7.2. Music Support Committee**

Talk about the dress code for music performance... "School Uniform" is too vague.

Proposal is to standardise:

- Black - possibly as an item on the uniform shop list
- "Gift" a tie when enter the (senior concert) band.



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## **6. General Business**

### **6.1.     *Bus Shelter***

Desire to improve facility for student ... on hold as City of Stirling and Transperth have their little argument/discussion

## **7. Correspondence**

{In} WACSSO - Rep is Debbie Marsh

{In} WA Week - sponsorship is available

{In} WA Police - recent changes to licensing for new drivers ... refer

[www.officeofroadsafety.gov.au](http://www.officeofroadsafety.gov.au)

## **8. Date of Next Meeting**

28<sup>th</sup> July 2008.

Closed 21:56