

**SVAPA Parent Support Group General Meeting
Wednesday 18 February 2009**

Meeting Opened: 7.05pm

1. Attendance

Joanna Stimson (Convenor)
Tracy Kenworthy (Secretary)
John Cloake (Treasurer)
Shaun Blanch
Rochele Burke
Fiona Logan
Dlan Machoro
Sharon Cockraft
Julia Crossweller
Keryn Rose
G. David Rose
Tanya Richards
Dawn Pekin
Roger Frampton

Jan Uridge
Leigh Cuddy
Melanie Wood
Moss Johnson
Darryl Mason
Sharon Charsley
Michael Camilleri
Sondra Tate
Jo Parker
Penny Scott
Sue Faranda
Prue Griffin
Kerrie Brown
Ella Frampton

Apologies

Suzie Barnes
Dr Dale Irving
Leonie Stewart
Miriana Brisevac

2. Previous Minutes: seen and verified: Sue Faranda

3. Dr Dale Irvings Report

Dale apologises for being absent. Booking for PIAF shows - times clashed with the SVAPA meeting. Thanks to Michael Camilleri for attending in Dale's absence.

It is a very busy time and we have a lot of major projects underway.

1. Saturday Workshop:

We needed to introduce the Year 8 and 9 SVAPA students to Peter Webb and the PANIC project and the best date was 21st Feb as opposed to the long-weekend (28th Feb in calendar). SVAPA teachers will mainly be supporting specialists. Dr Irving hopes to schedule workshops in the sessions prior to lunch (10am-1pm). After a 30 minute lunch break, Peter Webb will work on the huge courtyard scene with all the SVAPAs. This will be quite an extraordinary feat and Dr Irving requests funding for Peter Webb for the day, and Angela Perry (Dance teacher) and for one other workshop leader (drum workshop). The school has provided funds to pay Peter at \$100 per hour; for his weekly sessions but this Saturday workshop requires SVAPA support.

Peter Webb, director 5 hrs @ \$100 p/hr.....\$500.00
Angela Perry, movement and dance choreographer from 5 hrs @ \$100 p/hr\$500.00
2-3 hour Drumming Workshop.....	\$200-300.00

Total: \$1300.00

Lunch will hopefully be provided by a group of SVAPA parents. It will require funding also.

Panic devising has been underway with the diligence of Peter and Senior School students since the beginning of Term 4, 2008.

Senior students are invited in on the workshop day, too. Many are ex-SVAPA students. The Year 12 Drama class has involvement with Panic as part of their course assessment.

Motion to support up to \$1,500.00 for Peter Webb project by John Cloake:
Seconded by Moss Johnson.

2. **Theatre visit** has been organized for the Year 8 SVAPAs to see *The Nargun and the Stars* on Thursday 26th February at 7pm at the Regal Theatre. Parents provide transport and Dr Irving, Ms Diggins and Ms Packham will supervise the excursion and meet the students in the foyer of the Regal Theatre.
3. **The Arts Festival half-day (Friday 8th May)** exists in draft plan form and your feedback would be appreciated. It will be taken to the Leadership Team within the next fortnight for ratification. All students will be involved and Dr Irving requests help from SVAPA parents in sourcing some possible activities. Plan below.

ARTS' FESTIVAL DAY: FRIDAY 8TH MAY, 2009.

The Arts' Festival is to open the school community to the arts by providing activities, entertainment and displays to the whole community for a two hour period from 1pm-3pm.

Students will meet after lunch in their form class to have their names marked and will have elected activities for the afternoon. They will need to meet for a final roll check prior to dismissal at 3pm.

A range of activities are envisaged for the first 75 minutes.

- A mass drawing / mural
- 2-3 scenes from Panic at regular intervals (Specialist Building)
- Talent show and stand-up comedy in the Tricycle Theatre
- Film screenings and chroma wall activity
- Some cultural activities/entertainment (LOTE)
- Ensembles/bands playing at different venues
- Exhibition of paintings
- Local community artists invited to participate
- ECU students invited to exhibit/busk/perform

A large concert at the end on the top oval. (45 minutes)

- Bands of ex-MLSHS students. (Oval)

At this stage Dr Irving welcomes any **suggestions, contacts and ideas** to make this an enriching, open afternoon. Staff will be supporting the arts day as they do at the Sports Carnival days. Dr Irving would like to provide a range of activities, at minimal cost to the school. This day is the final day of the *Panic project* and it would be good to have as many students experience part of that show as possible. It is a daunting project but it is possible. It requires support both from staff to supervise and share the afternoon and a certain amount of faith that students will behave responsibly when allowed some openness in their choice of activities and movement. It will not be a free dress day.

Bands such as Little Birdy (Katy Steele) and performers like Luke Steele went to MLSHS. Dr Irving is having trouble tracking them down. Does anyone have any contacts?

It looks like a successful band that one of our MS teachers is in will be available to play for a \$250 payment (Sam Sterrett).

I will appreciate your feedback at the meeting or by email.

Dale.Irving @det.wa.edu.au

4. Treasurer's Report

SVAPA Treasurer John Cloake provided the following list of SVAPA activities students were able to participate in 2008, as a result of the funds raised/supported by the Parents Group.

China Tour support	5000.00
Choir Support	120.00
Multi-media - computer , camera, scanner etc	4799.85
Awesome Arts	862.00
Rottnest Trip Year 10s	1546.55
Prizes for top students	100.00
Awards night	206.00
Da Vinci Exhibition Bus	206.00
Artist in Residence Bello Benischauer	3000.00
Point Walter Dance teaching	75.00
Total	\$15,915.40

Art Auction Receipts	\$46,248.80
Costs	\$30,022.04
Profit	\$16,226.76
Distribution to music and SVAPA	\$ 8,113.38

Wine quiz night	\$ 3443.45
Plus income from tea and coffee for events	

SVAPA and P&C Report 18 February 2009

John also supplied a copy of the consolidated report for 2008 for parent support group to view.

Balance at bank	11798.73
Bank movements Jan/Feb 2009	
16/01/2009 15.65 CASH DEPOSIT	11798.73
Sondra Tate Bello WS	
6/01/2009 -76.7 Lunch269	11783.08

Outstanding cheques:

272 Dale Irving for Rottnest bike hire Reimbursement	228.00
273 Jeremy Poole-Johnson for composition lessons Inv 97	2000.00
	2228.00

Commitments:

To be confirmed	
2009 Director in Residence – Some to be spent in 2008	2000.00
Workshop Saturday 21 February	
New media workshop Agreed 29 Oct meeting up to	900.00
Paula Blanten Dance Workshop Agreed 29 Oct	200.00
Honour Board Agreed Nov 2007 and reconfirmed 29 Oct 2008	1210.00
Commitments	4310.00

Total available	5260.73
Term Deposit due April	5000.00

John Cloake
SVAPA Treasurer

5. General Business

- **Outline for 2009.** Some of the recurring jobs and future fund raising activities were outlined for parents including:
 - Yr 8 production supper (mid-year)
 - Panic production (a task sheet was circulated inviting parents to advise where they could assist)
 - Yr 8/9 SVAPA camp at Point Walter morning tea coordination required (1st week in June)
 - Raffles – for sale at productions. Volunteers called for to coordinate this. Sondra Tate suggests sending home an envelope with 10 tickets to each family to sell.
 - Possible wine tasting/quiz night/other fundraiser
 - **Art Auction**
The next art auction meeting is to be held in the Conference Room (upstairs main admin building) at 7.30pm on Tuesday the 24th of February – all welcome.
- **Saturday Workshop 21st Feb**
Sondra Tate volunteered to buy food for lunch with support from various others (as indicated by task sheet) to cut up at 10am on the morning of the workshop (thank you all).
- **Panic Production 2009 – what we can do to help? Week 3rd-8th May**
 - Some suggestions in reply to Dr Irving's request for ideas include having a children's author reading, or if we could contact author/illustrator Shaun Tan to attend. Booked out website: www.bookedout.com may tell us who will be in Perth at the time.
 - Moss suggests contacting RTRFM to investigate broadcasting from the school if any bands are available. Moss will enquire.
 - Media students could roam the school recording the various activities with the view of later selling as a DVD to parents (additional fundraiser).
 - Dr Irving's email contact provided for additional ideas to go direct to her: Dale.Irving@lawley.wa.edu.au
- **Yr 9 Perpetual Honour Board**
No report available – held over until next meeting.
- **AGM**
Week 7, Term 1, Wednesday 18th March 2009 7pm. If you want to have a say and vote, you must be present and provide \$1.00 to meet P&C committee requirements.

6. Next meeting

18th March 7pm Tricycle Theatre Green Room.

Meeting closed at 8.25 pm.