

MOUNT LAWLEY SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL

MINUTES: Languages Parent Support Group
CONVENER: Joseph Millimaci

DATE: Tuesday September 13th 2011 (Wk 8)
RECORDER: Joseph Millimaci

| Item | Agenda Item | Discussion | Action | Responsibility |
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| | Meeting opened | 7:30pm | | |
| 1 | Apologies: | Anita Chong, Antonella De Gregoriis, Alison Foster | | |
| 2 | Minutes Of Previous Meeting: | As read. | | |
| 3 | BUSINESS ARISING | | | |
| 3.1 | Languages Banners Joe | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Banners are still to be completed. Suggestion was to take them to OWorks for \$99. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Joe to take images to Officeworks for printing | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Joe |
| 3.2 | Italy Trip 2012 Joe | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 32 applicants at the moment. Paperwork from families is slowly trickling in. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Regular updates at LPSG meetings | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Joe |
| 3.3 | Languages TShirts Sondra | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Some students wore their Languages Tshirts during Languages Week but the cold weather meant most were hidden under jumpers. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> |
| 3.4 | Badges Sondra | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Not all GATE 8 students have received these. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Check with Anita for list of students | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Joe |
| 3.5 | German Oktoberfest Isabel | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Update from Isabel on activities to be run on the day. Handout with list of activities tabled. Isabel commended for her efforts. Parents volunteered their time and help on the day. Lunch 1 – food, Lunch 2 – activities. Cash donations to be deposited into LPSG account. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> List of parent helpers for each activity. Isabel to liaise with Andrea and Shobna | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Isabel |
| 3.6 | Languages Week 2011 Andrea | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Another success approx. \$1380 raised. Slightly less than last year. Suggestion that spring rolls not be sold in 2012, perhaps satay or nasi goreng. Food was fine but there were no activities this year. Andrea proposed we purchase a small bain marie. Concern that some teachers not allowing students to assist on the day. Same thing happened in 2010. An important event on the Languages Calendar, need to be more flexible. Proposal that Languages Week be changed as it is so busy in Wk 3 with testing, exams, reports etc. Perhaps week 4 or 5 OR sometime when the weather is better ? | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Andrea to source and price bain marie and let us know. Joe to discuss the issue re student help at Senior Staff New date to be arranged in consultation with admin. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Andrea . Joe Joe |
| 3.7 | Movie night Sondra | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Friday November 18th. Do we ask local businesses to advertise on a short PPT before the movie ? Require a letter from Milton if we decide to do this. \$50 donation from local businesses ? Gold Lounge raffle (Sondra's parents' gold lounge as prize) Creche facilities Food sold on the night – popcorn, drinks, etc. Tickets to be sold 1st November Cost to run is \$1800 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> |

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| 4.1 | Funding Joe | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Languages Department funds have been exhausted. Request that some funds come from LPSG account. List tabled. Parents queried why accounts have been spent before end of year. Request that accounts be presented at next meeting. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Presentation of accounts | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Joe |
| 4.2 | Treasurers Report Andrea | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Currently \$2233.27 in LPSG account. | | |
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| 5 | Excursions | | | |
| 5.1 | | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> |
| 6 | General Business | | | |
| 6.1 | Flowers for Anita | Irma proposed we buy flowers for Anita (on sick leave) to acknowledge her wonderful contributions over the years and thank her. | Joe to buy and bring flowers to Anita | Joe |
| 6.2 | GATE discussion | Isobel raised the issue of only having 2 GATE languages at MLSHS. Some parents agreed saying it did not make us a Languages School. Joe explained the process of review and the recommendations as a result of consultation with DET in the face of our school almost losing the GATE Program. 5 GATE languages were not sustainable, Rossmoyne has very small classes in some Languages. Parents also unhappy that students who love Languages cannot choose more than one Language. Further discussion required, perhaps next meeting / P and C ? | | |
| 7 | Meeting Closed | 9:20pm | | |