MINUTES LPSG meeting:
Wednesday, 31ˢᵗ July

1. **Meeting opened:**   7:36pm

2. **Attendance:** Yaolan, Belinda, Terena, Annaleise (P&C Vice President), Tim, Linda, Suzanne, Sonia (Program Co-ordinator - Languages), Renea (Assoc. Principal)

   Yaolan gave a summary of the Committee and its history. It was initially a GAT Languages committee, but is now for all languages. Two years ago the GAT parents wanted specific support for GAT, so the GAT committee was formed. Languages committee is involved in such things as Languages / Arts festival, Soiree, fundraising.

3. **Apologies:**   Christie

4. **Minutes of Previous Meeting:** Belinda moved as true and correct. Linda 2nd – Carried.

5. **Treasurer Report:** Received $480 from Wine Sale. $143.35 from Cake stall (plus $100 supplied by Terena as Float). Balance: **$3,851.90.**

   Belinda Proposed a Motion to give Terena $100 back for float for Cake Stall. (Motion #2019-01)

   Seconded by Annaleise.
   Carried.

6. **Business Arising:**

   Continuation of LPSG:
   At this stage, we will continue to run. There is a perception by many that this is a GAT Languages committee, rather than supporting all of Languages. We could consider a name change.

   Wine Sale:
   Was worth doing. Terena ran this and it was quite easy. Will redo later in the year. Although it was a good result, we are not getting a great reach across the school. Need to review better ways to do this.

   Cooking Class Event:
   Discussed some options regarding running a pasta making class. Sonia is in contact with Tanya from "Little Italian School" who has done some cooking sessions at our school. Possible dates and costings to be reviewed with Tanya. **Sonia to Action.** Plan to sell MadBay wine on the evening, and possibly offer people to complete order forms for cases on the night, for the next wine fund raiser. **Terena to action.**

   Assistance to be provided to Language Dept:
   Languages Department is to revisit what is wanted from Languages Committee so we can allocate funding and source volunteers. **Sonia to Action.**

7. New Business:

School operation improvements to 2020:

Renae, Associate Principal yr 9/10, discussed the change in school structure starting next year, where Middle school will change from years 7 – 9 to just years 7 and 8. Senior school will consist of Senior School 9 / 10 and Senior School 11 /12. The year 9's will join the current senior school timetable. This should give increased independence and academic opportunities. This has partially been brought about by the introduction of year 7 to high school. For 2020, year 9s can wear either the blue or the white school uniform. Renae has encouraged anyone who wants to contact her to do so.

There was a brief discussion of some parent frustration re Connect – receiving multiple emails / notifications for the same thing plus not always being able to access the information.

The issue of compulsory language classes for children with learning difficulties was raised and a suggestion that Auslan be offered rather than demotivating students who have difficulty learning a second language.

P&C

Annaleise, P&C Vice-President, gave an overview of possible changes as a result of the change in Constitution for P&C Committees by WACSSO. There may be some administrative changes but overall it is not anticipated to have a great impact on the sub committees, our Terms of Reference may need to be reviewed. The P&C will inform LPSG if any changes are required.

It is noted that Annaleise is the P& C Executive Committee member that represents the Languages sub Committee at the Executive meetings.

Annaleise also informed the meeting that John Pryor has resigned as President and she is filling the chair as Vice President until the election, to be held 26th August.

8. Teaching Report:

Italian, Japanese and Chinese Exchange students here. Chinese Exchange teacher being hosted. A group of Korean teachers visited school.

9. Next Meeting: Wednesday, 28th August, 7:30pm

10. Meeting Closed: 9:00pm

Motions

Cake Stall Float:
Motion #2019-01:
Give Terena $100 back for float for Cake Stall.