



Mount Lawley Senior High School

Parents and Citizens Association, Inc

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General Meeting

Minutes 26 November 2007

1 Attendance

Craig Heath, , Debora Colvin, Dennis & Claudine Bates, Georgia Coulter, John Cloake, John Pryor, Julie Kernutt, Lety Ognenis, Richard Zabel, Suzie Barnes, Terry Boland, Christine Walker, Catherine and Jeff Smith

2 Apologies

David Hawkes, Nic Beames, Jo Furness, G. David Rose

3 Minutes of Previous Meeting



Move acceptance of minutes: Debora Colvin

Seconded: Dennis Bates

Passed ... unanimous.

4 Matters arising:

4.1 P&C Website <http://www.mlshspc.org.au>

Work is continuing in adding answers to FAQ's and other information. A number of issues were discussed as follows:

- ★ A letter is to be drafted and sent out with the first Lawley Update and again in the first Newsletter telling parents about the website and P&C activities generally, in particular as to how funds raised are used. Debora Colvin & John Pryor to draft.
- ★ Parent access to teachers via email and phone and whether a list of teacher email address or phone line extensions can be published on the P&C website - It was agreed that this issue will be discussed further next year. In the meantime John Pryor will advise parents on the website that all students have access to a list of teacher names via the intranet and once a parent has a name they can work out the email address or call the school and ask for the phone extension.
- ★ Course material being made available to parents on the website. - Again it was agreed that this would be canvassed more next year. In the meantime Terry Boland advised that all year 11 and 12 students are supposed to get a course outline stating the outcomes and key assessments including dates. This information will be put on the P&C website and Terry Boland agreed to raise with teachers to make sure it is happening and to canvass the prospect of something similar for years 8 and 9. Year 10 exams should be listed in the 2008 diary according to Terry.
- ★ John Pryor said he was still waiting on a link from the school website. Terry Boland to follow up.
- ★ John Pryor will also speak to Mark Lynch about P&C minutes.



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4.2 Bricks

Paperwork is still to be tracked. It was hoped to have the bricks in by 10 December 2007.

5 Reports

5.1 Principal's

Terry Boland's last report as Principal was presented as follows:

- The majority of teaching positions have been confirmed but a number of late changes are having to be managed.
- The position of Principal was still to be confirmed. More than 8 schools were looking for new principals including Shenton and Mindarie Colleges.
- He thanked the P&C for its support over the past 5 years. Notable outcomes of the school over the past 5 years included:
 - a new \$40 million state of the art school
 - a middle school dedicated to young adolescent learning
 - a technology rich environment
 - links to TAFE and ECU
 - growing SWL and VET programs
 - strong specialist programs (Languages and SVAPA)
 - excessive demand for enrolment
 - school uniform
 - enhanced status and reputation
- In the future the school will face a series of challenges including competition from other specialist programs and the advent of Perth Modern but the future for Mount Lawley is bright and strong according to Terry.

5.2 Treasurer's

As at 23 October 2007 the account balances totalling \$56,491.28 were:

- General \$5388.70
- Library \$6,364.97
- Uniform Shop \$8,220.67
- SVAPA \$16,665.26
- Music \$19,851.68

The P&C fundraising letter had resulted in a Library account deposit of \$3,123 and General Account deposit of \$3,295.

The General Account showed net income (after expenses paid) to 26 November 2007 of \$8477.54

The Uniform Shop account showed net profit of \$91,871.60 (including closing stock of \$77,279.15)

The General Account term deposit and SVAPA money would be rolled over this month.

Georga indicated that she was happy to continue as treasurer next year unless someone else wanted to do it even though her daughter will have left the school.

5.3 Middle School Parent Group – no report

5.4 Uniform Shop

The shop is stocked up for the start of 2008. Still waiting on bags and jumpers. They had to settle on a lesser model hat to get one in time. Most of the new year 8 orders have been done. The shop will be open on Orientation Day.



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5.5 MLSHS Committees

5.5.1 Finance - no recent meeting

5.5.2 eLearning

No recent meeting but hoping to interview new IT person and have a consultant working in the meantime

5.5.3 Health

Not met but "walk to school" was successful and advised that Pam Rosenbaum thanked the P&C. Terry Boland commented that the school now has a full time nurse as a result of funding for the chaplain having been received by the government grant which has allowed a redirection of money.

5.6 School Council

- The School Council has endorsed Christine Richardson and Rob Walker to be involved in the selection process for the new principal. One or other or both of them will take part in the selection process.
- It was noted that the School Council wanted to pay for the farewell to Terry Boland but was not allowed to so attendees would have to be asked for a contribution.
- The last school council meeting for the year would be held next Monday. The LOTE review and 2008 expenditure will be the main agenda items.
- Christine Richardson would like people to email her with any thoughts on what makes a good principal. P&C Standing Committees

5.6.1 SVAPA

Still waiting on computer. Most of the funds in the account are budgeted to be spent.

5.6.2 Music Support Committee

Suzie Barnes read out a report prepared by Penny Scott which included the following:

- New office bearers have been elected – Penny Scott (Convenor), Sue Mulholland remaining secretary till early 2008, Kerry White (treasurer), Sue Kennedy remaining raffle co-ordinator, plus committee members: David Hawkes, Julie Kernutt, Jo Penkin, Sue Faranda, Wendy Pietrocola.
- Assistance was provided to music staff for 3 concerts in September and November and more events are still to come .
- The first meeting for 2008 will be on Thursday 21 February 2008 at 7.30pm in the Music Building
- There may be a March 2008 camp at Araluen for middle school
- The China tour will be held 6-26 April 2008. \$8000 towards this tour is to be spent on the tour windcheater, instrument hire and insurance costs and remaining funds to be spread across the students (music and language) to reduce their tour fee of \$3200.
- Next year there will be an extra \$25 fee request in lieu of fund raising.
- An events calendar is being drawn up for the P&C website.



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6 General Business

6.1 Yahoo Mailing List

★ John Pryor said the mailing list was no longer working effectively and there were a number of issues arising. He proposed, and it was agreed, that it be “mothballed” and that a dedicated email list be developed instead.

★ It was also agreed that the school should be asked to include on the 2009 school enrolment papers an “opt-out” box asking parents to agree to let the P&C use their email address. John Pryor and Debora Colvin to follow this up in 2008.

6.2 Carols on the lawn

It was noted that this had been cancelled apparently because the organisers did not get a written reply from the Music Department.

6.3 School enrolment days

These will be held on 17, 18, 21 and 22 January. Issue were raised regarding the system used for enrolment last year and ensuing delays and poorly placed signage. Terry Boland said he would raise it at the Finance Committee.

6.4 Pedestrian crossing at Learoyd Street

The school has been asked if it would be interested in setting up a Type B crossing operated by traffic wardens organised by the school P&C in Walcott Street at the junction of Learoyd Street as it has been determined that it no longer warrants a type A crossing . It was agreed that the school would not take up the offer.

7 Correspondence:

Nothing other than the pedestrian crossing correspondence already discussed.

8 Date of Next Meeting

AGM: 25 February 2008.