

SVAPA PARENT SUPPORT GROUP MINUTES

MEETING

Wednesday 27 February 2013.

OPENED

Meeting opened at 7.10 pm.

ATTENDEES

Charles Warren, Julie Parker, Kerrie Brown, Michael Birch, Louise Patterson, Kerri Bland, Mary Macintosh, Sonja Davidson, Kerrie Brown, Vicki Andrews-Taylor, Lisa Ganon, Daniel Ganon, Madelen Brand, K Elizabeth Sekararum, Juanita Kokkinidis, Michelle Wray

APOLOGIES

Dr Dale Irving, Joanna Fugl, Vanessa Lombardo

PREVIOUS MINUTES

Motion to approve Minutes of Wednesday 28 November 2012, moved by Julie Parker, seconded by Lisa Ganon. Passed Unanimously.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

- 1 No response from letter to school board on Arts representation in School Leadership to date.

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DR DALE IRVING'S REPORT

1 SVAPA Production

Overview – at present we are beginning the devising stage with James Berlyn on a Thursday. Soon we will be able to work on ideas in the interim and will need to start Wednesday rehearsals after school. It could eventually be staged at MLSHS. PICA is not available.

James Berlyn – Working here on Thursdays at 7.30 am with early morning class and 9 SVAPAs then at 11.30 with the 10SVAPAs.

Josh Hogan – presenting Beat Salad to the Year 8s in their Friday Early Class. This will then develop into pieces for the SVAPA Production.

Visual Artist – to be bought in by end of Term 1.

Timeline – Production Week 2-5 June (Long Weekend)

A general costing for James was accepted at the previous meeting.

2 Tours 2014/2015 and 2015 production to Melbourne

For discussion:

We were planning a SVAPA Tour in 2015. Perhaps similar to the UK/Paris Tour of 2012.

I met with Chris Manning last Friday and he proposed that we work towards taking an original Music Theatre production that has a flavour of the West to Melbourne in 2015. It would be comprised of an ensemble, performers, visual artists, film makers and take 60-70 SVAPA/Music students from Years 9-11 across arts areas. We would need to begin planning this July. The Arts teachers will need to discuss whether we need a writer/dramaturge or director.

Could we have both tours? We have dedicated staff but it is still a small crew and the production would call on a lot of time and energy. Music has plans to tour Sydney in 2014.

Any thoughts? For example would this year's SVAPA Production have the ability to tour in 2014? Does the meeting have contacts in Melbourne at schools where we might establish an exchange of work? Suggestions, thoughts, dreams and visions are welcome!

3 SVAPA

These have been a great success. The Year 8s delighted in La Cucina Dell'Arte; The 10s embraced the epic Mission Drift and The Year 9s see The Sacred River this Thursday. This is a fabulous help to the student's understanding of theatre.

We see the difference in Year 10 when SVAPA students meet those studying the mainstream course. SVAPA students are generally far more open to ideas and practices; they may have a better work ethic and are able to meet the demands and commitments of developing/rehearsing a performance or art work. They expect to work in a range of art disciplines and they are ready to collaborate on a project. Our expectations of them push them to really explore ideas, skills and processes.

Thank you for providing this access each year for your children.

4 Arts Festival Day 2013. Thursday 28 March 1-3pm.

Junkadelic will be invited for the Year 8SVAPAs as usual. Is the meeting able to finance that workshop?

1 Instrument Making Workshop

2 Rhythm Workshop

3 Roving Performance

12pm – 3pm – March 28th

Total \$1200 plus GST.

This has been a useful workshop for the 8SVAPAs.

The Music Parents Group has been requested to pay the \$300 for the WAM band and we should ask if this is possible again. Could this be organised through this meeting?

Other parent involvement would be great. Does the meeting have any impulse toward involvement in the Arts Festival Day?

Do we have any groups that we feel could perform/contribute/run a workshop? This is across all Arts' areas.

5 SVAPA Information Evening Wednesday 6 March. FYI

I will present an overview of the course; Michael White will describe the Middle school. I have asked two Year 10 SVAPAs to talk about their view of SVAPA (Morgan Flack and Mia Simonette have been selected). The Welcome Night for 2013 will be November 12.

MLSHS 2013 ART AUCTION REPORT

Sonja Davidson

Date of MLSHS Community Auction is 15 June 2013

Preview from 5pm

Auction starts at 7pm

Come along to our meetings, plenty of jobs to go around next meeting

Tuesday 19 March

Raffles

Silent auction

Proof reading

Publicity

Anyone interested in sponsoring the event

We will need volunteers for various tasks such as:

Artwork drop off day Sunday 5 May

Bar Staff

Raffles tickets

Set up Friday 4-8, Saturday 10-2

Pack down Sunday 11-3

Bidder registration

Artist registration

People choice award

Negotiator

Money room

Spotter

Packing room

Feeding kids pizza

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TREASURER'S REPORT
SVAPA Support Group
To Be Advised

10 MLSHS P & C Membership Forms completed by parents and \$1 collected from each at start of the meeting on behalf of the Treasurer.

GENERAL BUSINESS

- 1 Motion to approve up to \$1400 as requested for Junkadelic for Arts Festival Day Thursday 28 March by Kerri Brown and Seconded by Julie Parker. Passed Unanimously.
- 2 Melbourne Tour proposal well received by parents. Tour and workshops similar to London /Paris Tour preferred by some parents over performance. More discussion required.
- 3 Issues with some parents not receiving SVAPA information via emails will be actioned by Sonja Davidson and Julie Parker.

EXTRA BUSINESS ARISING

- 1 **Next SVAPA Parent Support meeting is AGM (Annual General Meeting) on 3 April and SVAPA parents are encouraged to attend. Convenors position available and includes preparation of Agenda, convene two meetings per term, collect contact details of new parents, assist with supper organisation during performances and Parent Welcome Evening with other parents and an address parents on operations of the SVAPA Parent Support Group and how parents support SVAPA each year.**
- 2 **The Art Auction Committee has met twice this year. Next Auction Committee meeting is Tuesday 19 March. There are only 3 committee members with previous experience of running this event. Many long-standing parents with experience of running the auction have stepped down as their children have left the programs after leaving school. This is the main fundraising event for the year and the more parent support we have will result in a successful evening that will directly benefit students. Please come and be involved in a celebrated and enjoyable Community Event.**

CLOSED

Meeting closed at 8.00pm. The next SVAPA Parent Support Group meeting is combined with the Annual General Meeting and will be held Wednesday 3 April 2013 at 7.00pm at MLSHS Tricycle Theatre.

CORRESPONDANCE



SVAPA PARENT SUPPORT GROUP

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January 2013

THANKYOU FROM SVAPA

Leonardo

On behalf of SVAPA (Specialist Visual and Performing Arts at Mount Lawley Senior High School) we would like to thank you for your generous support and expertise when framing the "Museum of Now" poster which is now displayed in the school theatre foyer.

The SVAPA parent support group raise funds this program for over 90 students each year for students in years 8, 9 and 10 by organizing and volunteering at the Mount Lawley Community Art Auction and we would like to acknowledge your support at this event.

thank you and regards

Michelle Wray

Secretary
SVAPA Parent Support Group