



**SVAPA Parent Support Group**  
**MINUTES OF TERM 02 MEETING 02**  
**HELD ON Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2021**



Meeting opened at 7:07pm

**Attendees**

Moya Thomas  
Emma Wilmot  
Paul Meacock

Mitch Whelan  
Rebecca Thomson

Justin Cvitan  
Jane Forward

Jill Barnet  
Michael Camilleri

**Apologies**

Steph Tarbin  
Nat Turner

Rebecca Benson  
Robin Gage

Iain Bradley

Amanda Humphries

**Conflicts of interest**

None

**Other Business**

Michael Camilleri introduced Paul Meacock who has been engaged by Lesley Street to prepare report "planning the arts for 2025 and beyond" in preparation for acquisition of the current WAAPA facilities. SVAPA Parent Support Group members for 2021 will receive a link to a survey to complete which will assist Paul with producing the report.

Draft copies of were handed out. Parents were asked to complete the survey, by the due date, with the best outcomes for our students in mind. Q and A period followed. Michael and Paul exited the meeting.

Parents led a discussion on survey, differences between John Curtin College of the arts which is the only other public school providing specialist pathways for students with Gifted and Talented programs in Ballet, Dance, Drama, Media Arts, Music, Music Theatre, and Visual Arts and Mount Lawley SHS SVAPA program. Notable alumni. How SVAPA is unique in offering a contemporary **cross-arts** course, running from year 7 to year 9. SVAPA focuses on connections within the arts disciplines rather than teaching them in isolation. It was created to meet the needs of an intake that were creative and community oriented. The three year program is the first and only one of its kind in the state.

There is currently 0 funding for support staff and it's hard to imagine how our SVAPA PSG could run any of the theatres acquired from WAAPA without school hiring a production manager and technical staff.

The education department will assess what WAAPA facilities are deemed fit for our schools purpose. Parents to use the survey to highlight what facilities our students would benefit from. WAAPA has amazing dedicated theatres, dedicated dance studio's, performance spaces, prop areas, rehearsal spaces, one on one teacher spaces, a percussion studio, props and scenery workshops, lighting and sound design studios, studio and lighting workshops, ensemble studios etc.

## Minutes of Previous Meeting

*Motion 2021.2.2.1* Motion that the minutes (2021 T2 M1) were true and accurate raised by Rebecca Thomson and seconded by Emma Wilmot. Motion Carried.

## Treasurers Report – see report

As at the 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2021

Bank Balance - \$19,268.28  
Funds Committed - \$11,579.80  
Available Funds - \$6,098.26

## Teachers Report

- A Midsummer Night's Dream is going really well. This years theme is Grease meets Cry Baby, a 50's extravaganza, props have been made and are amazing. A poster is being produced and ticket sales will follow. Reminder on the 26th and 27th of June are the full dress rehearsal and tech rehearsals. It is tantamount to the production, as well as a requirement of the course that all students attend that weekend.
- Help requested for Athens High text for 4 t-shirts, Jill and Rebecca offered to coordinate this. Jill has already purchased the shirts.
- Year 9 Visual Art Excursion to Perth Cultural Centre, WA Museum Boola Bardip and Art gallery coming up
- Denise has sent out reminders to the parents that are still to pay for Year 7 SVAPA t-shirts. When funds received shirts not to be ordered as already handed out.
- Trying not to spend any funds until after successful LAA

## General Business

- *Motion 2021.2.2.2* Motion that the Motion 2020.T4.2.3 title be amended to read "Provide food for SVAPA production" raised by Rebecca Thomson and seconded by Emma Wilmot. Motion Carried.
- Motion required next meeting to provide food for SVAPA Tiny works for up to \$500
- Rebecca Thomson is coordinating the 50s style bake sale for Year 8 production, a Sign Up Genius will be issued for bakers and stall volunteers
- Jill looking for 50s costumes for Year 8 production, see post on Facebook, please contact Jill (Jenny) if you have anything.

## LAA

Rebecca Benson, SVAPA Liaison for Lawley Art Auction provided the following update via email as unwell today:-

- Sign up genius links have been sent out to parents for volunteers on the weekend of the art auction (I saw your email that just came out, which is great).
- The online preview of artwork for the auction is now available on the LAA website, if you go to: <https://lawleyevents.com/artwork/2021-artwork-2/> you can check out all the works in advance and also pre-register as a bidder if you are interested to bid on the night.
- Anyone who has any questions about the event is welcome to contact me on becbenson@gmail.com
- Hope to see as many parents there as possible! :- )

Meeting closes at 8.30pm

## Next Meeting Term 3 Week 3 (2021)

**Wednesday the 4th August, 2021 at 7.00pm to 8.00pm**

*All SVAPA meetings start at 7pm and go for roughly an hour. All meetings are held in the green room of the Tricycle Theatre. Entry is at the rear of the high school from the north side of Learoyd St (off Central Ave/Stanclyffe St) through the senior school gates while work undertaken on D&T building. You can park in the ECU carpark*