



# Mount Lawley Senior High School Parents & Citizens Association, Inc

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## Mount Lawley SHS Parents & Citizens Association Inc. General Meeting Minutes 24<sup>th</sup> August 2009

Open 19:40, Conference Room, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor Admin Building, MLSHS

### 1. Attendance

Milton Butcher, Suzie Barnes, Julie Kernutt, Sue Faranda, Jo Furness, G. David Rose, John Pryor, Penny Scott, Lety Ognenis, Debora Colvin, John Cloake, Dennis & Claudine Bates, Clemency Nicolson, Kerry White, Sharon Cockroft, Deidre Davidson, Dawn Pekin, Catherine Smith, Kerrie Brown

### 2. Apologies

Michael Camilleri, Sondra Tate, Jeff Smith

### 3. Minutes of Previous Meeting

Move acceptance of minutes: Debora Colvin

Seconded: Jo Furness

Passed: unanimous.

### 4. Matters arising:

#### 4.1. *Cross Walk/ Traffic Issues*

4.1.1. City of Stirling response to letter about the absence of a path between the Primary School and MLSHS- a path will be constructed by them.

4.1.2. Michael Sutherland to hold a meeting re. speed/crosswalk/ traffic issues -no notification as yet

4.1.3. Terms of Reference for SVAPA Committee- awaiting SVAPA meeting 1/9/09

### 5.0 Reports

#### 5.1 *Principal's Report- Milton Butcher*

##### 5.1.1. Air Conditioning Quotes

Library \$80,000.00

Café \$12,000.00

Upgrading of power to school \$65,000.00

Middle School Communities \$ 60,000.00 **each**

Library and Café air conditioning installation to be scheduled for later in the year using the 100,000.00 already allocated to start this task

##### 5.1.2 Scholarships

VET Scholarship, named after Anne Griffiths- of approx \$500.00 is being arranged and possible Science scholarships for years 8,10 and 11.

Bookland Scholarships will also be announced soon



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5.1.3. UNSW Economics Competition Prize has been won by Sam Ogenis and some other students have received prizes(names to come), congratulations to all students and teachers.

5.1.4. Merit Badges – Improved designs are being looked at.

5.1.5. Year 8 2010

Current numbers sit at 151 students and even with a 120 student cohort the school can guarantee a good range of subjects to choose from over years 8-12.

5.1.6 Independent Public Schools

Parent guide 'Unlock your Schools' is available and a meeting with parents is on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup>, 7.30pm

## 5.2 Treasurer's Report

Account	Balance	After funds committed
General	\$30,513.30	\$23,063.30
Library	\$ 1,145.01	\$ 1,145.01
SVAPA	\$27,388.73	
Uniform Shop	\$18,627.81	\$2,180.08
Music	\$12,317.69	
Language	\$20.00	
TOTAL	\$90,012.54	

Also tabled were income statement and balance sheet details for accounts

### 5.2.1 Notes

Auditor at work with last years accounts

Term Deposits for SVAPA \$5000.00 and Music \$8000.00.

Account (same features as other P&C accounts) opened for Language.

Merchant Fees, to cancel 3422-Library with no cost penalty, U/form to check it is not the spare old machine there.

Move to use online banking with the higher interest rate rather than term deposits: D. Rose

Seconded: Penny Scott

Passed: Unanimously



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### **5.2 Uniform Shop Report**

#### **5.2.2 Overstocked Items**

Still trying to move dead stock.

### **5.3 MLSHS Committees**

#### **5.4.1 Finance**

Enhancing Fee/Voluntary Contribution rates is important to retain some programs/subjects each year. For the more expensive courses a user-pay system is being looked at.

The purchase of a Smartboard for the library has been approved, to be used for literacy programs.

#### **5.4.2 eLearning**

IT Plan underway and also focusing on website improvement. David rose has offered to look at the website work required after speaking with Mark Lynch.

#### **5.4.3 Health**

Student Chillout feedback is being reviewed.

The Shape Her Program is being conducted again due to popular demand.

A drug/Health forum is planned for Middle School later in the year

The audit on the D'café has been completed and the D'café has been found to be following the Traffic Light System as required by the Dept of Education. A couple of small changes are recommended which have been discussed with the manager. Thanks to Clemency Nicolson for auditing the café, which will be done once a semester from now on.

### **5.5 School Council Report**

Uniform Review-there has been a small rationalisation of the number of items in the uniform, mainly poor sellers removed. A request for a waterproof jacket to be sold/designed has been met and this will be available later in the year.

### **5.6 P&C Standing Committees**

#### **5.6.1 SVAPA**

Not met since last P and C meeting

#### **5.6.2 Music Support Committee**

Meeting rescheduled due to clash with the Independent Schools Meeting, 28<sup>th</sup> Sept.

#### **5.6.3 Languages Support Committee**

5.6.3.1 'Languages Week' went well with foods sold raising approx \$700.00 for the Languages Support fund.

5.6.3.2 A languages lunch was held on 23<sup>rd</sup> Sept to farewell the visiting language students which was very successful.



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## 6 General Business

### 6.1 WACSO Conference

Policy resolutions were discussed for the WACCSO AGM which John Cloake and Suzie Barnes will attend.

### 6.2 Uniform Shop Proposal

Uniform company Uniform Concepts(UC) runs uniform shops for a number of Perth High Schools now and have put forward a proposal to run the MLSHS Uniform Shop.

The benefits of this are that they control stock and ordering/ retain our staff who are trained in their methods/pay insurance/ encourage parents to volunteer and reward with an incentive scheme/ return a % to the school/ manage the try-on days and holiday orders/ have longer opening hours and online ordering

The negatives would include possible issues over pricing and other changes once a contract is signed and being committed to this supplier etc.

Motion: to accept in principal the UC proposal to run the uniform shop and for the committee to negotiate a contract for P and C consideration. Deborah Colvin and John Pryor to assist with this stage due to their expertise.

: Moved: Penny Scott  
Passed: Unanimous

### 6.3 Independent Public Schools

As previously outlined this initiative will be discussed and parents views sought at this weeks meeting on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> August, 7.30 pm

### 6.4 BEAT Program

Request for funding from Student Services to buy a set of drums for the 9 week BEAT(Boys education through adventure and teamwork) Program for disengaged/disruptive boys which David Greeshaw will run.

Move to buy a set of drums to the value of \$5,000.00: Catherine Smith

Seconded: Diedre Davidson

Passed: Unanimously

## 7 Correspondence

7.1 City Of Stirling re. path between the primary school and the lower oval on Woodsome St.

## 8 Next Meeting

7:30 pm on Mon 21 September 2009

Meeting Closed 21.20