

MOUNT LAWLEY SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL
MINUTES OF SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING
HELD AT 7.30PM ON DECEMBER 3RD 2007

PRESENT:

Christine Richardson
Terry Boland
Dale Irving
Anne Griffiths

Darcy Rowe
Lucy Dean
Catherine Smith
Bev Burnside (arrived mid-meeting)

Apology:

Rob Walker

1 MEETING OPENED AT 7.30PM

Congratulations to Lucy Dean on her selection as Prefect for 2008

2 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Accepted

3 UPDATE ON ACTION POINTS:

3.1 REPORT ON SELECTION OF NEW PRINCIPAL

Christine and Rob met with Leadership Team 12.11.07 to discuss desired attributes for new principal. Rob to develop a more detailed response.

David Price advised that he will meet with Christine on Thursday 6.12.07 to overlook CV's of applicants.

Council endorses that Christine seeks face to face meeting with short-listed candidates and involve best array of people to assist with decision.

Terry has been provided with short list of candidates by District Director

3.2 TERRY'S FAREWELL FUNCTION

This needs to be self-funded as Council is unable to access School funds- would not be approved by DET

4 PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Terry's reflection is attached

Terry is leaving the School with a fully functioning Senior and Middle School with a total of 1350 students. Positive reflections on Terry's contribution endorsed by Anne, Christine and Catherine

5 SCHOOL COUNCIL TERMS OF REFERENCE AMENDMENTS

It was agreed that 5.8 and 5.9 be amended to allow for the nomination of two students representatives from Year 12 and two student representatives from each of Years 10 and 11, although the eligible voting numbers will not be increased.

6.11 Inserted to allow for two year terms for each parent position

6 VACANCIES FOR SCHOOL COUNCIL 2008

All Community Members will be vacating their positions.

Kevin Pilkington from ECU will be approached to see if he is interested in taking up a position

If Anne Griffiths is unable to continue she will nominate a member from CCI to fill her position

7 Acknowledgement of Lesley Shore's contribution and commitment to the VET program

- 8 **LOTE REVIEW**
LOTE staff were quite emotional as Terry has commenced working through the GATE LOTE review as provided by Glen Bennett.
The review is providing a framework for a total review of the program looking to 2009.
It was noted that UWA and ECU will be giving extra loadings for LOTE courses in the TEE.
It was hoped that the review would provide a positive framework for time/structure/rooms and a language precinct.
It will be an agenda item for 2008 and 2 languages will definitely underpin the GATE LOTE program at MLSHS
- 9 **BUDGET**
9.1
Further discussion was held on the charges for Music in 2008 with the following charges endorsed:
Years 8 & 9:
\$50 charge per student to be made up of:
\$25 Operational support
\$25 Enrichment (this to be in lieu of fundraising and discussion for its use by HOLA and Music Support group)

Year 10
\$55 charge per student to be made up of:
\$30 Operational support
\$25 Enrichment (this to be in lieu of fundraising and discussion for its use by HOLA and Music Support group)

Years 11 & 12
\$52 charge per student as previously endorsed by Council

9.2
Terry presented interim 2008 Budget Surplus to Reserves.
Final version to be presented at first meeting 2008
- 10 **STUDENT REPORT**
Exams are all going well. Concern expressed about the new Media exam as it appeared that the questions for Years 11& 12 did not line up with curriculum

Year 10 exams were well received by students who expressed positive aspects of getting used to the exam process
- 11 **REPORT FROM P&C**
Last meeting was quite straight forward. A new P&C website is to be established with links to the School website

12 STAFF REPORT

Dale discussed appreciation for staff and it was agreed that a letter be sent to all staff on behalf of Council thanking them for their contribution throughout 2007

13 OTHER BUSINESS

Terry advised that all staffing had yet to be finalized for 2008 and that timetabling was a difficult process for both Senior and Middle Schools

14 SPECIAL THANKS TO TERRY

As this is Terry's final meeting special thanks was given to him for his contribution and commitment to MLSHS over the past 5 years

MEETING CLOSED AT 9.00pm

NEXT MEETING

Next meeting will be the final meeting for the 2007 School Council and will be held on Monday 11th of February 2008