

Mount Lawley SHS Music Support Committee

Minutes 12th February 2009

Open 19:40, MLSHS Music Department, Woodsome Street, Mt Lawley.

1. Attendance

Leonie Stewart, Penny Scott, Kerry White, Sue Faranda, Julie Kernutt, Jo Parker, Jo Penkin, Sue Kennedy, Wendy Pietrocola, Dawn Pekin, Cindy Spright, Karen Wallis-Barker, Sunita McWhinney, Bella Khaimova, Joanna Stimson, Kerrie Brown, Leigh Caddy, Ian Uridge, Brenda Dearlove, Lisa Meagher, Mirella Goodger, Janet Meyers, Judy Fetzter, Deborah Maley, Jenny Fay, Virginia Rowland, Erica Cooke, Alicia Kilbourn.

2. Apologies

Suzie Barnes, Shelley Kotkis, Sarah Mulholland.

3. What we do: Volunteer tasks

- Penny welcomed all parents to the first meeting of the year. She explained and gave everyone the opportunity to volunteer for the many tasks in which the Music Support Committee is involved. These include:

Sorting Archive material
Assisting Karen by formatting video/pictures for archive webpage
Obtaining festival photographs
Art Auction
Camp helpers for morning/afternoon teas
Concerts/recital helpers for morning/afternoon teas
Soiree
Tour 2010
Venue development

😊 Penny to distribute duties to volunteers and advise via email.

4. Minutes of meeting held on 20th November 2008 accepted

Moved: Kerry White Seconded: Dawn Pekin

5. Business arising

- 5.1 **New staff members** - A big welcome to Leonie Stewart our new Teacher in charge of Music and Tessie Palmyre.
- 5.2 **Venues** - Shelving has now been removed from the percussion area however the doors are not yet sound proof. Instrumental storage room shelving has been adjusted.
- 5.3 **Web page** - Karen has the new web page on CD. She is waiting to be contacted by John Pryor who manages the P&C website for inclusion on the website.
- 5.4 **Diary dates** - Parent welcome soiree: Wednesday 25th March 2009

- 5.5 **Soiree** - The objective of the soiree is to enable music and instrumental teachers, committee members and parents to get to know each other. Penny is organising the liquor licence.
- 5.6 **Music Tour 2010** - Expressions of interest were sent out for the proposed UK tour. 34 positive responses were received, however, Paul De Cinque, our Band Director, felt the spread of instruments was unsatisfactory. In addition to this Leonie expressed concerns about price fluctuations and the lack of organisational time remaining.

An alternative tour to Sydney to participate in the International Music festival is now being investigated. This festival is a competition performance festival that is held during July. In addition to this the group may then travel to another state to perform in concerts.

Concerns were expressed at the length of the tour. The festival is a 7 day program and Leonie advised that the maximum time away would be 2 weeks.

More information about the Sydney Festival can be found at:

http://world-projects.com/joomla/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=154&Itemid=53

If that doesn't work, google "world projects music festivals".

☺ Penny to send out revised "expressions of interest" letter.

6. Treasurer's report as at 19/12/08

Music Committee Income Statement 2008 For Year Ending 2008

Income

Membership Fees and Donations		
Fundraising Income	\$ 10,778.48	
Interest Income	\$ 88.25	
Other Income	<u>\$ 5,136.98</u>	
		\$ 16,003.71

Expenses

Fundraising Expenses	\$ 135.85	
Stationery (Photocopy)	\$ 33.00	
Bank Fee		
Other Expenses	<u>\$ 16,868.28</u>	
		<u>\$ 17,037.13</u>

Net Income \$ -1,033.42

Balance Sheet 2008 as at December 2008

<u>Opening bank balance 13/12/07</u>	\$ 16,653.89
Income	\$ 16,003.71
Expenses	<u>\$ -17,037.13</u>
<u>Closing bank balance 19/12/08</u>	<u>\$ 15,620.47</u>

Equity **\$ 15,620.47**

7. Music Department Report

7.1 Staffing - This years staff include Leonie, Jess, Tessie and Craig. Tessie has links with WAAPA which will be excellent for the Certificate IV music students. This year teachers will be involved in cross teaching between the Senior and Middle school classes.

7.2 Year 8 students - There are approximately 102 Year 8 music students of which 55 are existing SIM students. Existing SIM students have begun to meet their instrumental teachers and need to keep their eye on the music notice board for lesson times.

Every endeavour is being made to give beginner music students their first choice of instrument however this is not always possible due to the high demand of certain instruments and limited places. Week 4 is the target for instrument allocation.

If you need to communicate with Leonie the preferable method is via email. Leonie's email address is leonie.stewart@lawley.wa.edu.au

7.3 Calendar of events - This year there will be a Middle School camp to prepare students for a Middle School concert and a Senior School camp to prepare students for the festivals. Some senior music students will also be involved in recitals.

7.4 Courses - The music department is currently running 7 different courses. 3 new Year 11 courses, 2 old Year 12 courses and 2 Certificate IV courses.

8. General Business

8.1 Voluntary contributions - Concerns were expressed about whether these funds are going to the Music Department.

☺ Penny to contact Milton for clarification.

8.2 Concert CD/DVD - CDs will continue to be produced of the Senior Concerts. Cindy suggests promoting the CDs by playing them whenever possible and Sue K. asks whether a better quality DVD could be produced.

☺ Penny to look into DVD for future concerts.

8.3 Concert venue - It is agreed that WAAPA is the preferred venue for concerts even if this means raising the cost of tickets.

9. Next Meeting

Thursday 12th March, 2009, 19:30 at MLSHS Music Department.

Please remember to enter through the large rear gate on Learoyd Street. The gates from the Woodsome Street entries will be locked.

Map can be found at http://www.mlshspc.org.au/jgp/pdf/msc_music_brochure.pdf

Closed 20:40