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## MusiKal

## Kalamunda Senior High School Music Department Support Group

### General Meeting held 2 September 2019 at 6.30pm

### **MINUTES**

6.35pm meeting declared open

**Attendees:** Marcus Roberts (MR) President, Michelle Vivian (MV) Vice President, Alex Stevens (AS) Secretary, Erin Ashbolt (EA) Treasurer, Kathy Riley (KR), Felicity Kingston (FK), Roslyn Brown (RB)

**Apologies:** Mark Luderman

Welcome to all

**Acceptance of previous minutes:** General Meeting 29 July 2019 Proposed by MR, seconded MV. Unanimously accepted

**Correspondence out:** letter to Bendigo Bank regarding changing the signatories to the MusiKal account, emails to parents regarding Band Festival/Guitar Festival/Choir Festival/Strings Festival

Correspondence in: Nil

#### **President's Report**

Very busy term (particularly first few weeks). Students have performed well at festivals, Kalamunda Day, Music Camp etc. and the latest News Review is packed with photos of music students. Discussed in depth in "Business Arising"

## Treasurer's Report

- No report tabled. Balance of account \$3895.70
- Reimbursement of AS for camp costs \$341.13 outstanding to be finalised on Wednesday 4/9
- Petty cash from sales of performance uniform shirts now stands at \$82.
- EA to send AS copies of end of financial year information for tax statement to Department of Commerce

# **Business arising from last minutes:**

#### Music Camp

- Thanks to all parent volunteers who helped this year's camp run more smoothly than ever.
- Feedback indicates students had a positive experience.
- Dorms were allocated to year groups (for girls only) to make the transition into camp life more relaxed. Boys were all in one dorm.

- Desi Chapman took the role of "first port of call" for all student queries, and was a huge help freeing MR to lead the guitar ensemble groups.
- One student paid at office but didn't hand in forms resulting in confusion. MusiKal/teachers to consider emailing each parent if forms are not handed in to check whether students are coming or not.
- Some parents could not afford to send their kids on camp. Next year's letter to include option to pay by instalments (like school fees), and to contact MR if there are difficulties. Options for music students to raise their own money (by busking and the like) discussed. MR happy to help match buskers and venues.
- Music camp very close to KPA camp which caused some confusion and some students to miss a lot of school. Next year, KPA camp to be held last week of term 2 to avoid this problem.
- Tuesday/Wednesday worked well in previous years it has been on Thurs/Fri to let everyone have the weekend to recover.
- Other performances: Kalamunda Day, Gooseberry Hill PS, Falls Road PS, Mental Health Day, RTR Performance, Guitar Festival and Father's Day Breakfast (all in last four weeks!)
- Week 9, term 9: 30 students to UWA to participate in a music Passion Project. Kids from lots of different schools participating in a collaborative day of music.
- Proposal to buy new performance standard keyboard. MR has quotes for several types, and recommends \$1649 model (has inbuilt equalization function, high quality realistic sound, jacks for amp and headphones) with \$300 custom made road case.

AS proposes that MusiKal donate \$1000 to the school to help purchase this equipment with the request that KSHS Finance Committee fund the remainder. Seconded FK. Unanimously agreed.

(Note: 3/9/19 KSHS Finance Committee approves this

#### request) New business

- AS proposes making some changes to the introduction letter to new Music parents outlining costs, expectations and events.
- Twilight Concert 23 October 2019
  - Time to start planning! AS to ask for volunteers, MV confirms Coffee Van to attend, AS to ask for Kalamunda Toyota fundraising trailer.
  - O Discussion about crowd control specifically unsupervised kids making lots of noise and spoiling the performance for audience members. MR to consider how to manage this.
  - o Arts collaboration this year? AS to contact Paul Heslop (Head of Arts)
  - Security which gates need to remain locked
  - Sprinklers and Lights AS to contact Brian (Groundskeeper)
  - o Entry by gold coin donation as last year
  - o Side stage: MR to ask Mark Luderman and Dom (Contemporary Guitar teacher) to help.
- Thieves broke into the Music Department recently and stole 10 guitars, leads, amps and other equipment. MR has ordered replacements. All new equipment to be engraved to make it harder to re-sell (most of the stolen guitars were engraved, too). MusiKal to consider working through Asset Register and making sure all equipment is tagged/engraved.
- KR proposes idea of a Busy Bee for the Music Department. Some discussion about this.
- AS to send email to MusiKal mailing list with Perth Hills and Wheatbelt Band open rehearsal 9/9/19 and IMMS Classical Guitar Forum 22/9/19 information.

Meeting closed 7.50pm

Next meeting: 21 October 2019 (final for the year)