

**Modern Language Teachers Association of South Australia
COMMITTEE MEETING 4 MINUTES**

Minutes of Meeting 4, Mon 2nd Nov., 4.30-6.30 p.m. at Adelaide High School.

Present: Kris Paul, Ly Le, Anne-Marie Morgan, Joe Van Dalen, Andrea Corston, Stefanie Edmondson, Marietta Rossetto.

Apologies: Alan Ceggett, Gyllian Godfrey, Angela Benedetti, Kathy Coccetti, Louisa Rennie, David Sharp.

AGENDA ITEM	SUBJECT	RESOLUTION	ACTION
1. Matters of Procedure	President welcomed everyone and opened the meeting Apologies		
2. Minutes of Previous Meeting	Minutes of last committee meeting , Aug 3	Minutes, 3 Aug, 2009 - Committee Meeting: Endorsed - Joe Seconded - Ly Le All in favour - carried	
3 Business arising from previous minutes			
3.1 Correspondence	Kris: MLTASA Awards /CEASA – World Teachers’ Day Anne-Marie attended the award ceremony Letters from Philip Reuter See item 4.3 of the minutes LinQ and MLTAQ – September SACE BOARD – meeting October 16 Marietta attended as MLTASA rep MEC – Human Rights Learning in Action Showcase Kris and Marietta attended	2 nominations: Amy Perone in the category Educational theory and practice and Maurene McEwen in the category Development of strong professional relationships and contribution to the languages teaching community.	They were given awards at the CEASA World Teachers’ Day event October 30 and will be acknowledged at the MLTASA AGM

	Discipline of Classics, University of Adelaide – Annual Hellenic Lecture and Prize Giving		
3.2 Professional Standards Project September 4	<p>Kris:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 33 attended Repeat of Standards A training Open only to MLTASA members Lead to 10 new Memberships Issue of ONLINE payments discussed: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MLTASA not always able to check payer as payment is not always accompanied by a form or online reference • Kris and Stefanie: perhaps add another link on the website • Anne-Marie – perhaps request a Confirmation Email 		Kris to consider the suggestions made and revise ONLINE payment procedure for Committee to review
4 New Business			
4.1 Letter to SACE Board re New SACE	<p>Kris:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2 members have expressed concern about the state of Languages in the New SACE and have requested that MLTASA write a letter to the New SACE Board. • Anne-Marie has heard from the New SACE Board that there has already been a drop in the no of students taking Languages in 2010 • Tony Mercurio has affirmed that the submission of a letter of concern from MLTASA would be kept on record. • Anne-Marie knows of some schools that are considering varied loads for Languages teachers, in other curriculum areas (as a consequence of 		Joe to draft a letter of concern and circulate it to members of the MLTASA committee for endorsement prior to sending it to the SACE board

	the drop in students in languages)		
4.2 MLTASA AGM Feb 16 2010	<p>Guest Speaker Discussion:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kris: Joe Lo Bianco / Tony Liddicoat • Joe: Matthew Absalom / Lesley Harbon • Joe and Anne-Marie: Andrew Fergusson • Joe: Roly Sussex <p>Sub Committee:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kris: sub committee needed to work on AGM <p>Date of AGM:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tentatively 16/2/2010 but dependent on the availability of the guest speaker. 		Joe and Anne-Marie to work with Kris as a sub committee on the AGM preparations Kris to contact Joe Lo Bianco in the first instance.
4.3 Response to Philip Reuter	<p>Kris: Correspondence from Philip Reuter</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tabled copies of 2 letters to the Minister from Philip Reuter. These letters expressed concern about the state of languages in SA and suggested that consideration be given to reducing the no. of languages to a minimum of 2/maximum 4 languages. • Tabled a copy of a response to Philip Reuter from the Minister's Deputy Chief Executive responding to Philip Reuter's concerns. • Members of the MLTASA committee given time to read the letters and the responses <p>Kris: Discussion of the concerns raised by Philip Reuter</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The AFMLTA discussed a proposal to reduce the number of languages to 2. It was not supported. • Which languages would constitute the 4, given the NALSSP policy? 		

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A reduction in languages would not necessarily espouse the underlying philosophy of MLTASA in its role as an advocate and voice for all languages. • National Curriculum may well provide alternative input regarding the number of official languages 		
4.4 Newsletter	<p>Joe: Aim for another newsletter early 2010. Possible Contents:</p> <p>Kris: AFMLTA feedback from MLTASA sponsored attendants... awaiting reports.</p> <p>Andrea: Perhaps contact the AFMLTA sponsored teachers again. Report + a photo</p> <p>Kris: Advertise vacancies e.g. President Elect required.</p> <p>Andrea: Suggestion: a separate flyer to advertise the AGM- separate from the Newsletter. General agreement.</p>		Joe to coordinate the newsletter and organize a separate flyer advertising the AGM.
4.5 Request for advertising space (Saizen tours)	<p>Kris: Saizen tours</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A request from Saizen Tours (member of MLTAQ) to ' please advise the possibility and cost to advertise on website and in any MLTASA hard copy publications. • Kris: write to MLTAQ re possible charge for such advertising. Links Page advertising perhaps • Joe: AFMLTA also has Links • Kris: Corporate membership equate to a Link on Home Page? 	<p>Motion: That companies or businesses taking out corporate membership be entitled to a link on the MLTASA home page.</p> <p>Moved: Andrea Seconded: Joe All in favour – carried</p>	Kris to contact MLTAQ re charges + to investigate further costs should there be Ads.
5 Reports			

**5.1
Treasurer's Report**

Report presented by Ly Le: as at 30/07/2009:

Investment	\$20,418.36	
Conference A/C	\$ 3,038. 48	
Everyday A/C	\$11,113.19	30/06/09 Capitation Fees: \$2,704.00

Ly Le:

- Audit completed. Ready for AGM and ready for the new Treasurer. Suggests that this be the chosen procedure model for the annual Audit.
- Request that committee check the rough draft of the Audit and email comments.

Kris: Discussion re CEASA – the following areas were considered:

- Maintenance of records and data base – fees starting to blow out – charged per quarter hour of work
- Are we getting the service we pay for?
- BABEL – Kris has been providing data in the format that AFMLTA require
- Philip R has volunteered to maintain data base
- Is AFMLTA capitation fee based on CEASA data?
- Public Liability Insurance essential via CEASA registration.

**Kris
to talk to Natalie at
CEASA and bring
information to the
next meeting**

**If MLTASA maintains
its own records will
take up Philip's offer
of help.**

6.3 Associations	INTAN Report: Andrea <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Professional learning event 21/10 Firdaus gave a presentation on Pilgrimage to Mecca experience 16 members attended' • Meeting next week / Main event since 4 Seasons Conference • Planning AGM for Feb 2010 • Planning an end of year dinner 		
7 AOB	N/A		
8 Next Meeting	Tuesday, Feb 2nd , AHS: 5.00-7.00p.m. Focus: AGM on Feb 16 th .		