INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

Nominations for School Board

The School Board of Mount Lawley Senior High School is a vibrant and active body focused on school programs and the needs of students. School Board also plays an important role in establishing the directions of the school, endorsing the school budget and evaluating school performance. The Board membership has representatives from the across the school community including parents, teachers, students and the business community.

There is a vacancy for **ONE Parent Representative** on the School Board.

Parent representatives are appointed for a TWO Year Tenure. Meetings of School Board are held twice per term on a Monday evening. Other meetings are called from time to time. The first meeting of the 2018 constituted School Board will be Monday, 17 March 2018.

Any parent interested in nominating for the available position is asked to complete the attached Nomination Form and **return to Lesley Street (Principal) by 4.00pm on Wednesday, 14 February 2018**.

Information on the role of the School Board appears below. Should parents require further information please do not hesitate to contact me on 9471 0300.

Lesley Street

Lesley Street
PRINCIPAL

6 February 2018

School Board

The Board is formed with the fundamental purpose of enabling parents and members of the community to engage in activities that are in the best interests of students and will enhance the education provided by the school.

Powers and Duties
The Board has the following powers and duties:
To take part in:

- establishing and reviewing from time to time, the school's objectives, priorities and general policy directions;
- the planning of financial arrangements necessary to fund those objectives, priorities and directions;
- evaluating the school's performance in achieving them;
- formulating codes of conduct for students at the school;
- to determine in consultation with students, their parents and staff a dress code for students when they are attending or representing the school; and
- to promote the school in the community.

To approve:

- charges and contributions for the provision of certain materials, services and facilities under section 99(4) of the School Education Act;
- extra cost optional components of educational programs, under section 100(3) of the School Education Act;
- items to be supplied by a student for use in an educational program, under section 108(2) of the School Education Act; and
- any agreements or arrangements for advertising or sponsorship in relation to the school under section 216(5) of the School Education Act.

With the approval of the Minister or the Director General, as the Minister's delegate, School Board can also:

- take part in the selection of, but not the appointment of, the school principal or any other member of the teaching staff under section 129(2) of the School Education Act; and
- to provide advice to the principal of the school on:
  - a general policy concerning the use in school activities of prayers, songs and material based on religious, spiritual or moral values being used in a school activity as part of religious education; and
  - the implementation of special religious education under section 69(2) of the *School Education Act.*

The Board cannot

- intervene in the control or management of the school;
- intervene in the educational instruction of students;
- exercise authority over teaching staff or other persons employed at the school; and
- intervene in the management or operation of a school fund.

Membership
Membership of the Board is to be at a minimum:

(a) 3 parents (1 from the P&C);
(b) 4 members of the general community (eg. City of Stirling, ECU and TAFE);
(c) 3 staff of the school, including the Principal; and
(d) 2 students.

Tenure
Members of School Board are elected for a TWO-year tenure.

Nominations
Parent interested in nominating for the ONE (1) available position must do so in writing by completing the attached nomination form and forwarding to the Principal or by separate email. Nominees are asked to attach a brief statement providing information about themselves, their connection with the school and the educational matters they may wish to progress through the School Board. This statement, which will be provided with the ballot papers, should be no more than 200 words.

Nominations may be posted, hand delivered or submitted via email to Lesley.Street@education.wa.edu.au. Nominations must be received by 4:00pm Wednesday, 14 February 2018.

Elections
The Principal will conduct an election for any available position should one be required.