



AGENDA: Thursday 13th July 2023

Venue: Griffith University Gold Coast Campus **G39_4.27/4.47** (Science, Engineering & Architecture Building)

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- + Welcome
- + Apologies:
- + Confirmation of the Agenda
- + Minutes of previous meeting and Business Arising
- + President's Report:
 - Sponsor Application for The Japanese Society of the Gold Coast for Japan & Friends Day Saturday 23rd September
 - 24th AFMLTA International Languages Conference, Perth 7-9th July
- + Webmaster's Report:
- + Treasurer's Report:
- + General Business
- + Speech Contest
- + PD: Reflections and shared learning from conference delegates from the Gold Coast who attended the AFMLTA conference held in Perth
- + **Future meetings:**

Thu 03 August	GC MLTAQ	G39_4.27/4.47
Sun 20 August	Speech Contest	Various
Thu 07 September	GC MLTAQ	G39_4.27/4.47
Thu 05 October	GC MLTAQ	G39_4.27/4.47
Thu 02 November	GC MLTAQ	G39_4.27/4.47
	Christmas Party	To be advised

Dinner this month: Parkwood Tavern, near the University

Minutes from the last meeting:



**Minutes: Thursday, 1 June, 2023 4:00pm for
4:30pm**

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Attendance:

Leigh Kirwan (Griffith University), Cathryn Very (Benowa SHS), Aileen Seidman (St Stephen's College), Anna Belousova (Russian Language School), Giovanni Picarello (Southport SHS), Joanne Cheng (Queensland Academy for Health Sciences), Cathy Hegarty (Chisholm Catholic College), Tracey Somerville (UCSC), Peter Nyberg (BeenleighSHS), Danielle Seidman (Saint Stephen's College), Rosa Chen (St Oliver Plunkett Catholic Primary School), Cathy Galligan (Benowa SS), Susie Fenton (Guardian Angels Primary)

Apologies: Jackie Mikami, Tanis Heeres, Simone Sebban, Mary Spinella, Yoko MacDonald

Minutes of previous meeting and Business Arising:

Leigh moved that the Agenda and the Minutes from the previous meeting be approved, Danielle seconded and the Minutes were carried.

Correspondence in and out: N/A

President's Report:

- **Japanese Network Conference South Bank Campus 6-7 May 2023.** Almost 100 people attended and it was very useful.
- **Submission re Syllabus. Please put as many comments as possible.** Teachers complain the program is too intense and senior students don't choose languages anymore. Please provide

as much feedback as possible. Members of MLTAQ are encouraged to put in submissions following the guidelines in the previous minutes or simply email Lester Ford at president@mltaq.asn.au.

Webmaster's Report: website is up to date

Treasurer's Report: 6 876.07 AUD

General Business

- **French Teacher wanted.** Benowa SHS French Immersion is looking for a Teacher of Humanities.
- **Print and Media Competition:** all the relevant information has now been downloaded on the website, please email Simone Sebban on: ssebban@sthildas.qld.edu.au if there is any problem with the links. The date of competition is now added to the Important Dates at the bottom of the Minutes, is it on 14.10.2023
- **AMFLTA International Conference 2023.**

Cathy Galligan is a presenter at the conference and few other branch members will be attendees of the conference as well. Their participation was partially covered by the Grant from the State Association. Members are very thankful for such a great opportunity. However, members have mentioned to the organisers of the conference that it would be very reasonable if there is a discount for presenters (around 10%) and the date of the Early Bird is extended till the start of the term as many teachers who rely on funding application approval miss on Early Bird discount.
- **Speech Contest Preparation**

Rooming: Leigh confirmed that all rooming is approved and finalised (please see it attached to the Minutes).

Poster: Thank you Atsuya for a great poster. You can download it and put it on in your school.

Entertainment: Members discussed the entertainment program. Leigh is meeting with some representatives from Yugambah soon and hopefully we will have some indigenous performance at the Contest. Yugambah Choir might charge a fee but it is to be discussed. Welcome to the country hasn't been confirmed yet. There is also Keebra Park SHS Dance Group that might participate and help out. Entertainment usually starts from 10am till 2 pm, but there was a suggestion to start earlier. Please come forward with your ideas and entertainment numbers.

Dignitaries: Please let Leigh know about the dignitaries that you want to invite to the Afternoon tea and the Awards Ceremony. Members expressed hopes that the Head of the School of Humanities, Languages and Social Science Professor Michael Ondaatje can present at the Ceremony again.

Convenors: the list of convenors was finalised. There was a question in regards to the publishing of the questions for the judges. It was decided to leave it up to the convenors to decide. Please note that there should be no questions that might be considered personal, like: "Where do you live?", etc.

Sponsorship: It was decided that Peter will also approach local businesses and try to organise sponsors. Please come forward with your ideas.

PD this month: Danielle Swainson did an excellent presentation on TBLT – **Task Based Language Teaching** Slides are attached to these minutes.

Dinner

Dinner this month was at Miso Ramen, Chirn Park.

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Sat 14 October Print & Multimedia Competition Benowa SS

Thur 02 November GC MLTAQ G39_4.27/4.47

Christmas Party To be advised

Meeting concluded at 6.15 pm





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3:30pm – 6:30pm

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