

Waterford Kamhlaba Parent Staff Association (PSA)

Dear Waterford Parents,

Joining the PSA is a special way to contribute to Waterford and serve as a link between the school and the community. The PSA's major objectives are to:

- ◆ provide input to the school on issues of current interest or concern,
- ◆ foster communication among parents, staff, students and the larger community, and
- ◆ raise and allocate funds in support of priority school projects.

PSA meetings are held approximately once each month during term time, usually at 5:30pm on a weekday evening. The Principal, Teacher's Representative and Development Officer regularly attend the meetings. At each meeting various reports are presented, including one from the Principal. It is always an interesting and honest report on which the PSA members are free to comment and question. Parental input is vital and really appreciated at these meetings and open discussions are held on many subjects. These discussions provide unique insight into a broad array of issues and perspectives at the school.

In addition to the monthly meetings parents attend additional meetings for specific sub-committees (e.g., to review funding proposals) or for Golf Day and other major events.

PSA members also have the privilege to take turns attending Waterford's Governing Council meetings, which are held three times each year.

As members, parents are asked to attend meetings, openly contribute their thoughts and suggestions, and take on special roles and tasks as needed. For events like Golf Day, it is 'all hands on deck'. Parents can volunteer for other activities such as supporting the Community Service Fete, the Link Parent Program or the funding allocation process. The more you participate, the greater the experience!

The PSA year runs from April to March. The first meeting of the year will be held at 5:30pm on Tuesday 31 March 2008 in the school library. If you are interested in joining the PSA, please send an email to psa@waterford.sz and plan to attend on the 31st.

We look forward to seeing you there!

Yours sincerely, The Waterford PSA