

Meeting held on 26 October 2021 by Zoom commencing at 10.00 a.m.

Attendance Dr Frank Malloy Chair and Councillors Kitty Guerin, Marita Winters, Kathy Freeman, Nicole Christensen.

Present Michael McDonald

1. Return to Schools. Councillors shared recent experiences of students returning to Schools' yesterday. Students were excited and joyous to see their friends after many months. Schools were full of life It highlighted the importance of young people being together as they grow. It also highlighted the importance of caring for student wellbeing and their mental health. Principals have experienced the support they have received during this pandemic time. Schools and their teachers have been appreciated for all that they do and have done during the pandemic.
2. Acknowledgement of Country lead by the Chair.
3. Prayer: "Light in the Darkest Times"
4. Apologises: Jane Comensoli
5. Additions to the Agenda: Girls' Sport
6. Conflicts of Interest: Nil
7. Confirmation of the Minutes of 7 September 2021. Moved by Councillors Kitty Guerin and Nicole Christensen. The Meeting approved the Minutes
9. Business Arising from the Minutes: Sister Mary Wright is not available to advise the Federation on Canon Law We now look to another adviser - Roger Austin or Michele Huguenot. It would be good to proceed with a Governance Webinar for School Authorities and Boards in 2022. There is an appetite for that information.
10. Correspondence – for noting.

Thursday 02 September 2021 COVID-19 Briefing Note

Memo 252/21 Semester 2 Reporting requirements under the Australian Education Act

Wednesday 08 September 2021 COVID-19 Briefing Note

Friday 10 September 2021 COVID-19 Briefing Note

Memo 25521 - 2021 Statement of Intent from Minister for Education and Youth

2021 HSC Briefing with NESAs CEO Paul Martin

COVID-19 Briefing Note - CSNSW - Tuesday 14 September 2021

CEO COVID-19 Vaccination Update Wednesday 15 September 2021

National Preschool Collection Enrolment and Attendance

2021 HSC Briefing with NESAs CEO Paul Martin

Thursday 16 September 2021 COVID-19 Briefing Note

Stage 5 School Developed Board Endorsed Courses – ROSA

Student Wellbeing Briefing with NSW Chief Psychiatrist

Summary of the CORMSAA meeting 23 Sept 2021

COVID-19 in Schools Briefing with Professor Kristine Macartney

CEO COVID-19 Update Thursday 30 September 2021

1 October 2021 CEO COVID-19 Update

03 October 2021 COVID-19 Briefing Note

07 October 2021 No. 3 COVID-19 Briefing Note

Friday 08 October 2021 COVID-19 Briefing Note

Tuesday 12 October 2021 COVID-19 Briefing Note

Tuesday 12 October 2021 COVID-19 Briefing Note No. 2

Friday 15 October 2021 COVID-19 Briefing Note

15 October 2021 AICD Program

Saturday 16 October 2021 COVID-19 Briefing Note

Monday 18 October 2021 COVID-19 Briefing Note

CEO COVID-19 Update Tuesday 19 October 2021

Peter Grace Federation Council Meeting 26 October 2021

Tuesday 19 October 2021 COVID-19 Briefing Note

Memo 284/21: 2022 COVID Intensive Learning Support (ILS) Program

19 October 2021 Mercy Partners

Discussion took place on -

- i. Stage 5 School Developed Courses ROSA in respect to Catholic Studies. Many Principals responded with feedback on the NESAs proposal to not recognise such courses and that feedback was provided to CSNSW. Principals believed such recognition was very important. To be followed up with CSNSW.
- ii. The AICD program will be made available to 6 RI/PJP individuals.
- iii. Mercy Partners will replace the Trustees of the Sisters of Mercy, Parramatta as the School Authority for OLMC, Parramatta.

10. Business

10.1 Mr Peter Grace, Executive Director Council of Catholic School Parents NSW/ACT. Peter joined the meeting by zoom.

The discussion covered the Constitution of the Council, Secretariat and the Standing Committee for Aboriginals and Torres Strait Islander Parents. The Council proclaims Choice, and that choice must be affordable, and parents are the primary educators. It has a Strategic Plan.

The Council is the body for all Catholic School parents. It has been involved with the other two parent bodies in the education sector in making joint submissions, for example, the Review of the NSW Curriculum. The Council is independent of CSNSW.

Two issues for discussion

- i. School Membership
3.8% of RI/PJP Schools are not members. In 2021, 24 schools are members. The Council would like the assistance of the Federation to increase RI/PJP School membership.
- ii. Representation
There has been no RI/PJP representative on the Council. It would be helpful if the Federation nominated a person to the Council.

After Mr Grace left the meeting the Council agreed to;

- i. Support a CCSP letter to Schools

- ii. Inform Members at the AGM of the Federation's meeting with CCSP.

10.2 16 November 2021 AGM

Papers have been sent out and Kitty will lead the prayer at the AGM.

10.3 Strategic Plan – Surveys to Principals and Members are being finalised.

10.5 Girls' Sport. Discussions and work continue so girls are not disadvantaged by the changes. How does collaboration occur so that girls are not worse off? Both competitions can thrive and support each other.

10.6 Budget. 2022 Budget Approved with a 2.5% increase in the levy.

10.7 Meeting Dates. Noted.

11. Executive Officer's Council Report Noted.

12. Education Policy Committee (draft minutes 16 July 2021) Noted.

13. Financial Report - Attached is the YTD Profit and Loss and Balance Sheet Noted.

15. Next Meeting AGM 16 November 2021 and the first meeting in 2022 will be 8 March 2022.

16. Close Meeting 11.45. p.m.

