



New South Wales Secondary Deputy Principals Association Inc.

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*Term 2 Meeting
Friday 8th June, 2007
Minutes of Meeting*

1. Apologies: K. Wratten, G. Eather, L.Langer, C. Alves.

2. Minutes from previous meeting

Motion: That the minutes be endorsed.

Moved: S. Fransisco Seconded: D. M. Christison - Carried

3. Correspondence

Nil

4. Treasurers Report – Andy Mojsiewicz

- Financial statement tabled and discussed
- Budget for 2007-08 outlined
- Treasurer's duties outlined. Andy happy to talk with anyone interested in putting themselves forward for the position. Nomination forms for this position and others will be placed on the website shortly. Nominations are due Wk 3 of Term 3.
- Discussion re: Increasing membership subs as a result of increasing costs.

Motion: That the treasurer's report be accepted.

Moved: A. Mojsiewicz Seconded: B. Campbell - Carried

Motion: That the draft budget be approved.

Moved: A. Mojsiewicz Seconded: S. Leavers - Carried

Motion: That this congress presents a motion at Annual Conference seeking an increase in dues to \$75.00/ year.

Moved: A. Mojsiewicz Seconded: D. Wilkinson - Carried

Life Membership

- Andy Mojsiewicz nominated for life membership – Steve Barnett read nomination.

Moved: S. Barnett Seconded: S. Parker - Carried

- M. Wride nominated for life membership – Margaret McLelland read nomination.

Moved: M. McLelland Seconded: S. Barnett - Carried

- Ray Linabury raised the concept of a retired membership category for the association. Steve Ramsey to look at the constitution and determine what changes would need to be made to insert such a category and report back to the congress.

5. Presidents Report – Steve Ramsey

- Report tabled and discussed
- Meeting with Trevor Fletcher went well – discussed Merit Selection and Role of the DP and spoke about support in terms of professional learning. Raised issues in terms of Fellowships (Five for Principal's and none for DP's) – Trevor commented that Professional Learning Money had been dispersed to schools.
- Welfare Survey has been updated and the format improved with the assistance of David Smith. Draft format provided to congress members for review. Discussion held re: possible further improvements & congress members requested to email Steve Ramsey any further suggestions by Friday 22nd June. Survey to go out during Annual Conference 2007.

Motion: That the congress accepts the welfare survey in principle and that it is handed out at Annual Conference.

Moved: S. Leavers Seconded: S. Fransisco - Carried

- Requests have been made for the use of our contact lists for outside organisations to contact DP's in state schools. Request will be denied.
- Annual conference 2008 confirmed as being organised by Sydney region and it was proposed that 2009 conference by run by Mid and North Coast.
- Merit Selection Position Paper tabled (Blue) and discussion held re: elements of the paper. A suggestion was made that a representative group take the paper and work on its final presentation. M. Christison, P Shellard, R. Linabury, G. Ross and M McLelland agreed to work on the final paper. Steve Ramsey to draft paper to all of the group and a final version to be emailed back to Steve in 1 week.
- Constitution Review – Steve confirmed that all required changes have been made. Both old and new versions will be posted on the website and ratification will be sought at Annual Conference.
- Secondary Principals Council Report tabled – (Pink)

6. 2007 Annual Conference Report – Frank Land / Mitchell Struyve

- Registrations currently at 308 – email sent re: final registration date.
- Delegate list to be emailed to all delegates prior to conference for final detail checks.
- Sponsorship day organised for 20th June.
- Work shop info is coming in – delegates will be notified of workshops prior to conference.
- Presentations and handouts will be issued to all delegates on USB drives.
- All other organisation is in hand.
- 2007 committee will meet with 2008 committee.

7. Vladimir Ostashkevich – Not available for meeting.

8. Greg Prior - DET Update on Key Issues

- 93.11% school compliance on new Student Reports
- Annual School Reports due for final printing and distribution by 30th June 2007. Some schools that have elected to print their own reports have been paid additional funds for printing.
- National Testing on the calendar for 11/12 May 2008. This has implications for Education Week. Educational Measurement is preparing a back-up test in case all states do not come on board in time.
- Trade School Agenda – grants for refurbishment have been allocated to schools identified in the trade school program. All trade schools will be subject to ongoing RTO audit procedures.
- 600 partially Selective Places announced – no schools identified at this time.
- Enrolment Registration System due for implementation by September 2007 – reliant on Oasis Thin Client. Training will be provided in terms of the Enrolment Registration Software. This software will allow the tracking of student enrolment across the state and will allow the flagging of medical information, suspensions that are active and current risk assessment details. The system will also incorporate the tracking of Yr6- Yr7 and will show all schools students have made application to.
- Survey of merit selection trends show that out of 240 Principal's positions filled – 68 were secondary and 31 of these were filled by Dp's.
- Questions to be put to Greg should be forwarded to Steve Ramsey prior to each congress meeting.

9. Merit Selection Survey Position Paper

- David Smith Unavailable – Steve Ramsey discussed the position paper within the Presidents Report.

10. DP Role & Teaching Load Survey – Steve Barnett

- Survey finding reported – position paper & presented

Motion: That the recommendations put be endorsed

Moved: S. Barnett Seconded: S. Parker Discussion held - carried

- Nominations taken for a reference group (S. Ramsey, S. Barnett, S. Parker, R. Linabury, S. Leavers)
- Position paper to be made available on the website.

11. Constitutional Review – Steve Ramsey

- Discussed within Presidents Report.

12. Reports

Executive Officer – Barry Lovegrove

- DP Induction Program – attended conference which was well organised and well attended.
- Met with annual conference committee – all in hand.
- Regional conferences – attending and meeting DP's across the state. SWS Region 20th June.
- School contact re: current media issues have been made to offer support to DP's on behalf of the association.
- Welfare work is increasing – increase in issues related to snr exec relationships.
- Newsletter info to be sent through to Barry – members encouraged to provide reports and additional items of interest.
- Request for info on speakers that can be recommended to others on request. Any suggestions can be passed on to Barry via email.

Secondary Principals Council – Steve Ramsey

- State Assembly report tabled within Presidents Report - Blue

Website Update - Miriam Wride

- District news has been added to the web page.
- Webpage will be updated at the beginning of each month – all new info to be emailed to Miriam
- Any further ideas to improve the page can also be emailed though.

Moved: S. Ramsey Seconded: M. Christison - carried

School Leadership Reference Group – Margaret McLelland

- Report to be made available via newsletter
- Web address of PLLD provided: www.det.nsw.au/proflearn . Website has valuable professional learning info and resources.
- Miriam Wride nominated as Congress member on Committee re: Pre-service Teacher Education.

General Business

- A. Mojsiewicz requested an amendment to the budget for 2008. He outlined the increasing cost of term congress meetings and suggested an increase from \$4000 to \$5000.

Motion: That the draft budget be amended to provide \$5000 for the costs of each terms congress meeting.

Moved: A. Mojsiewicz Seconded: S. Leavers - Carried

- Steve Ramsey asked the congress to thank Andy Mojsiewicz again as this was his last meeting prior to retirement.

Meeting closed 3.00pm

Evelyn Hazzard

Secretary.

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