

TOP END REGIONAL COUNCIL GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, 10th August, Goyder Electorate Office **5:30pm – 6:30pm**

Quorum: 3 Affiliated schools

- 1. Meeting Opened: 5.41pm
- 2. Welcome: Chair opened meeting with an Acknowledgement to Country and thanked members for their attendance.

3. Present:

| # | FIRST NAME | SURNAME | POSITION ON SCHOOL REPRESENTATIVE BODY | SCHOOL |
|---|------------|-----------|--|------------------------------|
| 1 | Naomi | Hunter | Regional Rep | Berry Springs Primary School |
| 2 | Tabby | Fudge | Parent Member/Treasurer | Taminmin College |
| 3 | Beverley | Ratahi | Parent Member/Chair | Taminmin College |
| 4 | Кау | McCulloch | Parent Member/Treasurer | Driver Primary School |

4. Apologies:

| # | FIRST NAME | SURNAME | POSITION ON SCHOOL REPRESENTATIVE BODY | SCHOOL |
|---|------------|----------|--|-------------------------------|
| 1 | Donna | Mitchell | Parent Member | Humpty Doo Primary School |
| 2 | Melissa | Kerr | Parent Member/Chair | Adelaide River Primary School |
| 3 | Jackie | Roberts | Principal | Bakewell Primary School |
| 4 | Nikki | Elliott | Chair | Palmerston College |
| 5 | Bianca | Stevens | Secretary | Middle Point School |

5. Conflict of Interest Declarations: Nil.

6. Minutes previous General Meeting: General meeting on 4th May 2022 minutes were confirmed as a true and accurate record.

Moved: Kay McCulloch Seconded: Tabby Fudge

7. Business Arising:

6.1 Request for more information regarding Finance Reports available to SRB's

- see Correspondence In below

A summary of issues still impacting the Electronic Financial System CiA was tabled. It was requested that COGSO consult all SRBs to ensure they are aware and to seek advice of any additional issues. It was requested these issues also be advised to the Chief Executive of DoE to ensure executive awareness.



ACTION: COGSO to consult with all SRB's to ensure they are aware of issues and to see if they have found any other issues with the system. DoE Chief Executive to also be made aware.

6.2 Request for update on Road Safety Motion from 2021 AGM

- see Correspondence In below

Meeting was advised that COGSO is still following up this issue.

8. Correspondence In:

- 7.1 20th June 2022 Table of Finance Reports available to SRB's
- 7.2 1st June 2022 Road Safety Motion 2021 Update
- 7.3 4th August 2022 WA Resources for Parents on E-cigarettes and vaping

ACTION: COGSO asked to distribute information to schools to make them aware that it is commonplace. COGSO also asked to advocate for vaping alarms/sensors in schools.

7.4 4th August 2022 NTCOGSO Update on Effective Enrolment Review and Terminology

9. Correspondence Out: Nil

- 10. Business Arising from Correspondence: Nil
- 11. Regional Representative Report: Naomi tabled the attached report.

Moved: Naomi Seconded: Beverly Ratahi

12. General Business:

11.1 Principal recruitment

Chair of Taminmin College advised of amendments to the Principal Job Description to remove the essential criteria relating to partnership with an SRB. Whilst it has been included in the 'Primary Objective' for the Taminmin College Principal JD, it was requested that COGSO seek this amendment for all school Principal JDs.

ACTION: COGSO to request DoE amend all principal job descriptions to include the essential criteria relating to partnership with an SRB.

11.2 Taminmin College Chair sought confirmation that schools will receive additional funds to cover the NT Government pay rises and bonuses for school staff, as stated by the then Chief Minister on 30 November 2021 in the attached audio recording.

ACTION: COGSO to seek confirmation from the DoE that Global School Budgets will not be impacted by the pay rises and bonuses & they will in fact receive additional funds to cover this cost.

- 13. Date of Next Meeting: 14th September 2022, at Eva Lawler Office, Gateway Shopping Centre
- 14. Meeting Close: 6.47pm