

# School Council

## Minutes of Meeting

BRISBANE  
STATE  
HIGH  
SCHOOL



Meeting Date:	Tuesday 20 February 2018
Meeting Time:	6:00pm to 8:00pm
Venue:	H Block Conference Room

### INTRODUCTION

#### 1. Attendance

Mr David Gillespie	Parent Member (Chair)
Dr Judy Smeed	Appointed Member (Deputy Chair)
Mrs Marie-Claire Grady	Parent Member
Mr Rob Farago	Parent Member
Ms Nikki Bazaine	Staff Member (Teaching)
Miss Christie Mylrea	Staff Member (Teaching)
Miss Jenny Park	Student Member
Miss Bria Skordou	Student Member
Mr Scott Slade	Official Member
Mr Wade Haynes	Official Member

#### Guest

Mr Barry Irwin	Past Students' Association (Observer)
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#### Apologies

Ms Christine Collins	Staff Member (Non-Teaching)
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*~ Welcome to new members – Nikki Bazaine and Bria Skordou. ~*

#### 2. Confirmation of Minutes of Previous Meeting

*Motion: That the Minutes of the Brisbane State High School Council Meeting of 31 October 2017 be accepted as a true and accurate record.*

*Motion carried unanimously.*

#### 3. Business arising from Minutes of Previous Meeting

Nil

#### 4. Correspondence

Nil

#### 5. Business arising from the Correspondence

Nil

### TOPICS FOR DECISION

#### 6. Motions on Notice

6.1 That the School Council endorses our Dean of Teaching & Learning to relieve above level while the Executive Principal is on two weeks Long Service Leave in June 2018.

*Motion carried unanimously.*

6.2 That the School Council endorses the 2018 draft budget.

The Draft Budget was presented to the School Council.

A comment was made that the amount proposed in the budget for professional development for all staff is an amount that should be spent on the Executive Principal's PD alone and this figure should be reviewed, although our constraints are understood.

The School Council reviewed the draft budget and asked some questions:

Query: The significant increases or decreases in the draft budget.

Response: There is some provision in the budget for some landscaping in front of A and E Blocks to the value of approximately \$350,000; there are no significant decreases.

Query: The provision of financial assistance in cases of hardship was provided in the draft budget.

Response: An amount is provided by the P&C from their budget. We had \$10,000 last year but used around \$3,000 so will make it \$5,000 this year.

Query: The amount proposed for Chaplaincy (\$2,000).

Response: This is for resources advising that a chaplain's wage is funded by their church. Our Chaplain this year will work on a part-time basis.

Query: The 'Great Results Guarantee' expenditure

Response: Has now been replaced by 'Investing for Success'.

*Motion:* That the School Council endorses the draft budget.

*Motion carried unanimously.*

6.3 That the School Council endorses the 2018 AIP.

The 2018 Annual Improvement Plan was presented to the School Council. The content has undergone a detailed consultation process with staff and has been built on from last year with some focus areas having more depth. Our three priority areas are contained in the 2018 AIP: Visible Progress, Visible Expertise and Visible Culture and there are some new focus points included.

Comment that more should be included about the extra-curricular program, suggesting they extend learning, such as students having an opportunity to try a new activity not tried before.

Comment from Staff Member that when she reflects on her time as a student of Brisbane State High, she realises how many opportunities were available to students. As a current teacher at State High, this is the reason she chooses to be involved in the extra-curricular program, believing it provides opportunities to students that she enjoyed as a student herself.

*Motion:* That the School Council endorses the 2018 AIP.

*Motion carried unanimously. Pending a few tweaks.*

6.4 That the School Council endorses the 2018 I4S Agreement.

*Motion carried unanimously.*

## TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION

### 7. Reports

7.1 Comparative School Data

Comparative data was presented to the School Council.

7.2 Strategic Plan / AIP

Presentation of the the draft 2017-2020 Strategic Plan for review by the School Council.

## TOPICS FOR INFORMATION

### 8. 8.1 Executive Principal's Report

The Executive Principal's Report was presented to the School Council.

Comment that what the statistics don't show is that the cohort did exceptionally well. The school worked really well with our students and the students got what they expected with many getting into the courses they wanted. Credit to the mentoring of the students.

Comment that the results are getting better and better – the students are receiving really targeted attention on what they need to work hard on to improve. Targeted feedback is being provided.

Note that enrolment numbers have decreased by approximately 55 students throughout 2017. We now have approximately 17 students less than were enrolled last year.

Note that the Executive Principal and School Council Chair have a meeting scheduled with the Deputy Premier to discuss enrolment pressures. Proposal is to have a cut-off date in September and a local cap.

Information regarding staff changes and new staff for 2018 was shared.

### 8.2 Amended Constitution

On review of the amendments to School Council Constitutions, it was noted that the requirement for all School Council members to hold a valid Blue Card and it was noted that our School Council members who are required to hold a Blue Card, do so.

### 8.3 Inner City Schools

Advice that a planning group meeting had taken place in relation to the new Inner South High School. While the Dutton Park site is the preferred site for the new school, this decision will undergo a community consultation process before the decision is finalised. The new school is proposed to have enrolment of 1,500 students with no decision yet determined as to whether there will be offered to in-catchment only, a mix of in-catchment and merit or just merit enrolment categories. The recommended site (Dutton Park) was selected based on infrastructure. No formal decisions have yet been made.

Advice of a community consultation process between now and Easter.

## GENERAL BUSINESS

Noted that this was the final meeting for Official Member, Mr Scott Slade. The School Council Deputy Chair farewelled Mr Slade and thanked him for his contribution to the School Council. The School Council wishes him well.

## CLOSE OF MEETING

7:41pm

## NEXT MEETING

**Term 2 – Tuesday 15 May 2018**

## School Council Meetings 2018

Term 1	Week 5, Term 1	Tuesday 20 February
Term 2	Week 5, Term 2	Tuesday 15 May
Term 3	Week 6, Term 3	Tuesday 21 August
Term 4	Week 5, Term 4	Tuesday 6 November