



## Notes for Board Meeting – 29<sup>th</sup> September 2009

Nine of the members of the Board, the Chief Executive Officer and the Manager, Registration and Administration attended this meeting which was held at the Tasmanian Cricket Club, Bellerive Oval, Hobart. The remaining Board member joined the meeting via telephone.

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### Registrations

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Registered Teachers as at 29<sup>th</sup> September '09:

Full Registration	8108
Provisional Registration	1895
<b>Total</b>	<b>10,006</b>
<b>Limited Authorities to Teach</b>	<b>215</b>

### Special Event – 10,000<sup>th</sup> Registered Teacher

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Since the last meeting the Board has registered its 10,000<sup>th</sup> teacher - a new graduate from the University of Tasmania.

Our 10,000<sup>th</sup> registrant has been sent a letter of congratulations and a special registration certificate. The TRB will pay for membership of a professional organisation/association of the teacher's choice for 2010.

More information on our 10,000<sup>th</sup> registrant can be found on the website.

### Reports

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#### CEO's report (Kerrie Moss)

The processing of applications for registration and limited authorities and pre-service teacher good character determinations continues on a steady basis. The Renewal and Maintenance processes are also now in full swing. Office staffing has been increased to ensure the workload can be managed.

Office clerks Louisa Harpham, Faye Taylor and Sharon Sampson have increased their FTE to provide extra support.

Julie Hunt has been appointed for 6 months at 0.6 FTE, starting 25 October. Julie will focus on IT and database support, the management of the website and IT based communication technologies. Julie will also assist with regular registration tasks.

Trish Zielger has been appointed for 6 months at 0.6 FTE, starting 30 September. Trish will take over Faye's 'normal' clerk role to allow Faye to take responsibility for office and financial management.

These arrangements now complete the Board Office staffing plan and should provide stability and support during the peak work time from September '09 to February '10.

Many thanks to Stanny and Brian Butler who have provided invaluable 'informal' support and training throughout the last few months.

The ATRA annual meeting in Perth WA was very interesting and it was good to meet the CEO's and Chairs from other Boards and Councils. A lot of time was spent discussing the national agenda – this work will obviously continue on for months to come. It was agreed that the members will meet again in February 2010 in Victoria.

### **Registration in the Polytechnic**

The Teacher Registration Committee met on 7 September to discuss registration in the Polytechnic. The Committee has established some broad parameters to guide the Board through the implementation process.

The CEO also met the Polytechnic Working Party on Monday 21 September to receive an update on the work to identify a qualification pathway for Polytechnic teaching staff.

Jules Carroll and Graeme Kirkwood will meet with Board at the September meeting to provide further information and to gain some feedback from the Board.

### **Teacher Education Committee – the Course Approval Process:**

A stakeholder workshop was conducted on 23 September with approximately 18 participants representing the DoE, AEU, IEU, the Polytechnic, the Academy, Catholic Schools Parents and Friends Federation, State School Parents and Friends Inc., UTAS and the Board. Carol Laverick from TRBSA and Ruth Newton from VIT provided presentations as part of the workshop agenda.

The CEO will now develop a draft course approval process for the Committee to consider before bringing this to the Board for comment/endorsement.

### **Communication and Promotion Committee**

The Board has prepared an advertisement to be aired in Village Cinemas throughout the next 12 months. This advertisement presents Tasmanian teachers as professional, qualified, ethical and of good character. At this meeting the Board was advised that the advertisement has begun airing in Hobart. A copy of the ad can be accessed on the website.

Board members have been asked to provide ideas on promotion activities to the committee either before or at the September Board meeting.

Members of the committee plan to meet via teleconference on 5 October to finalise proposals for a promotion plan.

### **Teachers Registration Act Amendments**

We now have the draft Bill at completion point. Ongoing consultation with the unions has been very positive. A few changes have been made to the Inquiries section in support of unions concerns – all of these changes are very reasonable and will strengthen the process.

A draft parliamentary package has been prepared in readiness for beginning the formal process of introducing the Bill to Parliament on 13 October.

The Board meeting closed at 1:00 p.m. to allow Board members to attend the retirement celebration for Penny Cocker.