MINUTES OF MEETING OF JOINT COUNCIL OF QUEENSLAND TEACHER ASSOCIATIONS HELD AT QLD COLLEGE OF TEACHERS AT 4.30PM 13th April 2011

Present: Caroline Brooks (President, Vice-President (ACHPER); Jackie Mergard (Secretary); Susan Hearfield (MYSA); Garry Collins (ETAQ); Dianne Hubbard (BEAQ);

Apologies: Russell Smerdon (GTAQ); Janet Cochrane (QSITE); Jan Cavanagh (QAMT); Lyn Allsop (Treasurer (QAGTC); Maureen Noakes (Asia Literacy Teachers of Australia); Helen Little (LSTAQ)

Via Teleconference: Susan Kennedy Smith (STAQ); Nev O’Brien (INTAD); John Saunders (Drama Qld) ; Jane Gado (Drama Qld)

1. Welcome and apologies

2. Confirmation of minutes of last meeting held on Wednesday 16th March 2011
Minutes were accepted with the following amendments:

Doug Cave is from QETA not ETAQ

Garry Collins indicated that he didn’t actually recall saying that “that EQ should stop reinventing resources” and that he is in favour of EQ supporting teachers - particularly young/inexperienced ones - by providing resources. The provision of exemplar unit plans is an excellent idea and one which is very long overdue. What is objectionable in ETAQ’s view is a one size fits all approach in which the use of such centrally devised plans is compulsory.

Motion that the minutes with above amendments be accepted
Moved Garry Collins Seconded Caroline Brooks Carried

1. Business arising -

Jackie Mergard
Book Bernard O’Shea Centre for August Forum
Jackie advised that a number of dates were available and it was agreed to book August 27th.

Jackie Mergard
Request Dates from Universities for employer days
Jackie still awaiting Information from universities

Susan Kennedy Smith & Susan Hearfield
Man booth at BETA Conference - 30th April 8.30am
Caroline to send Susan Hearfield copies of JCQTA brochures

Lyn Allsop
Lyn advised that she had checked with Australia Post regarding the cost of our mailbox rental, and that price is because the box is located within the central business area. Boxes get cheaper beyond a certain km radius of the city. There’s about a $60 year difference between central and suburban locations.
JCQTA could consider a change before renewal next year.
Nev O’Brien from INTAD indicated that the extra $60 a year might still be worthwhile depending on how long that particular PO box number was part of the snail mail address as it takes a long time for the new address to register in school systems.

Caroline Brooks
Caroline to send Letter of Thanks to Leigh Hobart
Completed and to be posted on the website

Jackie Mergard
Place Leigh Hobart’s presentation on JCQTA website
Now located on website under affiliates/member associations - at the bottom of the page - http://www.jcqta.qld.edu.au/deliver/content.asp?pid=743

Caroline Brooks
Contact new Education Minister
Caroline advised she had met with Greg Young who is putting an education consortium together

**Caroline Brooks, Garry Collins and Susan Hearfield**

Prepare a submission for a funded office and part-time officer. Ongoing

**Susan Hearfield**

Source speaker from Diabetes Australia on Strategic Planning & Lobbying. 
Susan will invite speaker to August Forum?

**Caroline Brooks**

Invite Lesley Englert for May meeting. 
Caroline contacting Lesley

**Garry Collins**

Advise of response from Director General 
No response to date despite 3 phone calls 
Garry to circulate response to Board List once received

4. Correspondence -

Incoming Mail - Citizens Against NAPLAN invitation
   Email Jackie if you would like a copy of this
   Associations Forum National Conference Information at Brisbane Convention Centre July 2011
   Caroline to send to Board List and Take Expressions of Interest for attendance.
   JCQTA may subsidise up to 6 delegates
   MCEEDYA Meeting on April 15th - Agenda items include ACARA workplan; 2010 NAPLAN Incidence Report; NAPLAN test security and protocols

Outgoing Mail - Nil

Emails - See Appendix 1

Moved that inward correspondence be accepted and outward correspondence be endorsed. 
Moved Susan Hearfield  Seconded Dianne Hubbard  Carried

5. Treasurer’s Report

Term Deposit -$40 000 - maturity November 2011

Association Memberships Unfinancial for 2011
   Ausdance Qld
   Australian Society for Music
   Business Educators Assn Qld
   Qld Art Teachers Assn
   Qld Guidance & Counselling
   Qld Agricultural Teachers Assn
   School Library Assn
   SPELD Qld
The above payments presented for ratification and approval. I move that this Treasurer’s report be accepted. Lyn Allsop (Treasurer JCQTA)

Seconded Garry Collins  Carried

6. Reports from Representations

6.1 APTA Teleconference and proposal for funding support
Caroline reported that APTA owes $23,000 to the NSW Professional Teachers Council and that their inability to pay means they have lost their secretariat. The expenditure of funds was predicated on the receipt of Federal funding which did not eventuate and any future funding from AITSL will come with caveats and not be available to pay existing debts.

The debt may require APTA to cease operations but there is a proposal to provide money from the states to keep it operating. Qld’s contribution would be $6000 as a one off payment to secure the future of the organisation.

Janet Cochrane is the APTA Treasurer and has more detail. Caroline suggested that Janet provide a written proposal for the funding.

Garry Collins suggested that there was “in principal” support for a national association to represent JCQTA member associations and the JCQTA agenda nationally.

Further discussion will be held when Janet presents a formal proposal.

7. General Business

7.1 AITSL Project
Caroline reported that 90% of teachers don’t know about the new national standards.

AITSL is proposing to address this with a suite of online activities to promote them. The only project funding available from AITSL will be to address this issue.

Caroline suggested that we wait and see the outcome of this.

7.2 QSA Conference
1500 participants are attending. Susan Kennedy Smith is attending on the Thursday and will provide a report. Susan will also provide a report on the John Hatty presentation as well.
7.3 Project Archimedes
Caroline reported on a meeting she had with Greg Young from University of Queensland who is organising an education consortium to assist with Project Archimedes which initially aims to provide flooded schools with science resources and equipment but has a larger scope.
The larger project which is supported by Science Industries Australia will provide a portal for resources; equipment matching and professional development for teachers nationally. It is based on the Kahn academy model - www.khanacademy.org.

Greg has been working with the Education Minister to assist flooded schools and was meeting with him on Thursday 14th to discuss the larger project. Caroline moved a motion that JCQTA support in principle the idea of sharing knowledge encompassed in the wider project but await a report from Greg on the Minister’s response.

7.4 Principal’s Conversation
The second A National Conversation with Principals was held in Canberra on 7 and 8 April 2011.
Delegates including 140 school principals from across Australia and representatives from Principal associations, Unions and parent groups met with the Minister for School Education, Peter Garrett, to discuss the key topics at the forefront of the schools reform agenda.
The purpose of the 2011 forum was to engage with school principals and to provide an opportunity for the Australian Government to further outline its policies for school education and facilitate discussion and feedback on the impact of the policies at school level.
A request will be made to QASSP to report on this and any outcomes from the event.

7.5 Legal Liability Speaker
Susan Hearfield from MYSA indicated that she had been in contact with Paul Paxton-Hall from Fox and Thomas Solicitors who is a specialist on legal liability in the non profit sector and thought he would be a useful speaker at the August Forum. Susan will issue an invitation.

Other topics for the Forum might include - Lobbying and Lesley Englert from ACARA. Associations may suggest topics for inclusion in the program.

Susan also reported that MYSA spend $3000 on conference insurance which is useful if you are holding national or international conferences where large amounts of money are being invested in venues, speakers, accommodation etc.

MYSA will be advertising for an Executive Officer through education forums shortly.

Meeting dates: 18/05; 15/06; 20/07; August Forum 27th August; 14/09; 19/10 and provisionally 16/11

Meeting closed at 5.51 pm

Ongoing Actions
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- Jackie Mergard: Request Dates from Universities for employer days
- Susan Kennedy Smith and Susan Hearfield: Man booth at BETA Conference - 30th April 8.30am
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Susan Hearfield  Source speaker from Diabetes Australia on Strategic Planning & Lobbying.

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Garry Collins  Advise of response from Director General to used of exemplars

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