MINUTES OF MEETING OF JOINT COUNCIL OF TEACHER ASSOCIATIONS HELD AT QUEENSLAND COLLEGE OF TEACHERS AT 4.00 PM 21st February 2007

Present: Caroline Brooks (Vice-President (ACHPER); Ros Korkatzis (QHTA); Leigh Hobart; Gerard Healy (RSTAQ; Ann Manion (STAA)); Doug Cave (QETA); Jan Cavanagh (QAMT); Karen Bonanno (SLAQ); Kay Schwede (GTAA); Susan Hearfield (MYSA); Jim Buckley (ETAA); Beryl Exley (ALEA); Toni Michael (ECTA); Julianna Kneebone (HEIA); Janet Cochrane (President (QSITE) via phone; Jackie Mergard (Secretary (GTAA; QAMT; STAQ))

Apologies: Susan Kennedy Smith (STAQ); Gayleen Jackson (QSITE); Robyn Henderson (ALEA); Lyn Allsop (QSITE); Joy Schultz (SOSEAQ); Janet Bannah (BETA)

1. Welcome and apologies

2. Confirmation of minutes of last meeting held on Wednesday 20th September 2006
Minutes approved with addition of Susan Hearfield (MYSA) as an apology and change “Gerry Collins (ETAA) to Garry Collins (ETAA).

   Moved Ros Korkatzis Seconded D. Cave Carried

3. Business arising -

   Action Items

   All Associations Discuss Leigh Hobart’s research proposal at next meeting. Request Leigh to supply a budget and milestones.

   Jackie Mergard Organise JCQTA Banner

3. Correspondence Inward -

   1. AJCP TA Values Newsletter
   2. ACER - Australian Certificate of Education Brochure
   3. AFTRAA Australian Forum of Teacher Registration and Accreditation Authorities invitation to respond to draft document “The Framework for the National Recognition of Approved PreService Teacher Education Programs”
   4. Australian Principals Association Professional Development Council Dare to Lead kit
   5. Education.au Newsletter
   6. Ed Qld invitation to Teaching Scholarships award ceremony
   7. Australian Schools Calendar 2007
   8. Australian Electoral Commission class based resources for teachers
   11. Account for website
   12. Australia Post - renewal of postbox

Emails -

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Wednesday 21st February 2007

COCHRANE, Janet
Fri 16/02/2007 7:58 PM
Re: [jcqta] Meeting reminder - Wednesday 21st February 2007
FW: AFTRA Pre Service Education Paper

LEIGH HOBART
Fri 16/02/2007 8:00 PM
Re: [jcqta] Meeting reminder - Wednesday 21st February 2007

Lyn
Fri 16/02/2007 6:18 PM
Re: [jcqta] Meeting reminder - Wednesday 21st February 2007

Jackie Mergard
Tue 13/02/2007 6:47 PM
[jcqta] FW: Student Boredom & Disengagement: Call for Papers
[jcqta] FW: Curriculum: ACEL-Microsoft online conference 21-27 May

Jackie Mergard
Tue 13/02/2007 6:36 PM
Student Boredom & Disengagement: Call for Papers

Debra Brydon
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FW: AFTRA Pre Service Education Paper

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FW: AFTRA Pre Service Education Paper

MYSA
Mon 12/02/2007 7:02 PM

Lyris ListManager
Mon 12/02/2007 12:26 AM
[jcqta] subscription report

Robyn Henderson
Sat 10/02/2007 4:32 PM
Out of Office AutoReply: [jcqta] FW: Feb 22 workshop

Jackie Mergard
Sat 10/02/2007 2:12 PM
[jcqta] Environmental Education Expo 2007

Jackie Mergard
Sat 10/02/2007 2:08 PM
[jcqta] FW: Feb 22 workshop

Bob and Joy Schultz
Sat 10/02/2007 11:53 AM
FW: Feb 22 workshop

Debra Brydon
Wed 7/02/2007 10:17 AM
Curriculum: ACEL-Microsoft online conference 21-27 May

Jackie Mergard
Tue 6/02/2007 6:50 PM
[jcqta] FW: Invitation to write for education innovation journal
[jcqta] FW: Open This Week Only! International Opportunity for Students Cheques

Lyn
Tue 6/02/2007 6:43 PM
[jcqta] FW: Open This Week Only! International Opportunity for Students Cheques

Debra Brydon
Tue 6/02/2007 2:03 PM
Open This Week Only! International Opportunity for Students Cheques

Lyn
Tue 6/02/2007 10:05 AM
[jcqta] FW: Open This Week Only! International Opportunity for Students Cheques

Lyn
Tue 6/02/2007 9:17 AM
Re: JCQTA and Constitution Changes

Lyn
Tue 6/02/2007 8:32 AM
JCGTA and Constitution Changes

Debra Brydon
Mon 5/02/2007 10:58 AM
Invitation to write for education innovation journal

Hugh Matchett
Fri 2/02/2007 12:22 PM
Re: Teaching in Australia
Teaching in Australia

Lyn
Thu 1/02/2007 10:19 AM
Re: Welcome - Your web site has been set up:jcqta.qld.edu.au

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Thu 1/02/2007 9:43 AM
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Thu 1/02/2007 9:32 AM
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Provisioning Department
Thu 1/02/2007 9:09 AM
Welcome - Your web site has been set up:jcqta.qld.edu.au

Lyn
Wed 31/01/2007 3:41 PM
Re: Domain hosting JCQTA

Lyn
Wed 31/01/2007 3:34 PM
FW: Domain hosting JCQTA

Lyn
Wed 31/01/2007 3:34 PM
FW: Renewal of your Yearly Web Hosting Service

Jackie Mergard
Tue 30/01/2007 4:58 PM
[jcqta] FW: Invitation to Online Discussion: Student Boredom & Disengagement

Lyn
Tue 30/01/2007 3:36 PM

MYSA
Tue 30/01/2007 3:13 PM
[jcqta] FW: MYSA International Conference

Debra Brydon
Mon 29/01/2007 8:17 AM
Invitation to Online Discussion: Student Boredom & Disengagement

Lyris ListManager
Mon 29/01/2007 8:03 AM
[jcqta] subscription report

Kerrie Smith
Wed 24/01/2007 1:23 PM
[jcqta] Radio that makes you think

Sally Christenson
Tue 23/01/2007 3:27 PM
Re confirmation of room booking for JCQTA Meetings during 2007

Stephen Myśliwy
Tues 23/01/2007 11:11 AM
[jcqta] Radio that makes you think

Beryl Exley
Mon 22/01/2007 2:19 PM
change of contact details for ALEA Qld
4. Correspondence Outwards - Nil

5. Treasurer’s Report -
Members asked if association membership invoices had been sent. Jackie Mergard to check with Lyn Allsop re this.
The question of investing some JCQTA money in an interest bearing account was raised and will be discussed at the next meeting.
Joint Council of Qld Teachers’ Associations Inc  
TREASURER’S REPORT TO COMMITTEE MEETING 21 February 2007

Bank Statement balance 1/11/06 $67 702.14

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| TotalLess cheques | $2 220.00 |

| Balance at Bank 31/1/07 | $69 400.02 |

Cheques since last report

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| Outstanding cheque | Office of Fair Trading – Constitutional Changes | 13.90 |

| Total Expenditure | $3 684.90 |

| Less outstanding cheques as above | ($3 684.90) |

| Available balance 12 February 2007 | $65 715.12 |

Constitution Changes were not submitted to the Office of Fair Trading within the 3 months timeframe, hence the outstanding cheque for $13.90 above which has not been forwarded. OFT reports that a general meeting can pass the changes and be recorded in the minutes and this then submitted to OFT within 3 months of that date.

Request ratification of the above payments.

Move that this Treasurer’s report be accepted.

Lyn Allsop  
JCQTA Treasurer
Moved Lyn Allsop Seconded Carolyn Brooks

6. Presentation by Leigh Hobart on her research project

Leigh requested support for the second stage of her research project which aims to examine how primary teachers engage with communities of practice particularly the driving or restraining factors that affect engagement of teachers with PD and what do they seek from PD.

Leigh has found that the usual reasons - time; location and relevance - operate but that these are countered if the teacher’s passion for a particular topic is tapped.

Many are already involved in informal networks or school based networks.

Stage 2 will conduct focus groups with members of professional associations looking at successful and not so successful strategies for engaging primary teachers.

JCQTA support was sought for travel; venues, accommodation costs and catering and access to members in rural and regional areas. In return Leigh will grant JCQTA associations access to her current research. Leigh estimates that the financial component may be about $2600.

Various associations expressed interest in supporting the project and exact locations will need to be determined based on the activity of associations in rural and remote areas.

Motion: In principle support is given for Leigh’s research and individual members will check with their associations and reply to Leigh before March 21 with an indication of involvement.

Moved Ann Manion Seconded Ros Korkatsis Carried

ENGAGING PRIMARY TEACHERS IN REFORM BASED PROFESSIONAL LEARNING

A proforma for associations wanting to engage in a focus group addressing the engagement of primary teachers in professional learning.

Three focus groups are proposed to workshop the topic of engaging primary teachers. These focus groups are to be composed of at least six participants representing associations that are currently engaging and associations that are seeking further engagement of primary teachers. Locations will be determined according to areas of greatest interest in participation.

Participation in focus groups will be assisting research by QUT EdD candidate Leigh Hobart. Leigh has already conducted an extensive literature review and completed the first stage of her data gathering by interviewing 20 teachers throughout Queensland about their professional learning and analysing this data.

Participants will engage in a focus group that intends on sharing Leigh’s current research findings as well as interacting with other associations to address the questions:

- Are communities of practice a viable new perspective for primary teachers?
- How can professional associations and networks engage primary teacher involvement in their communities of practice?
- What is the impact of these findings for professional associations and networks seeking to involve primary teachers?

Focus groups will meet for approximately three hours with sessions being audio taped for research purposes.

Benefits to involved associations include access to current research and participation in an interactive workshop session that seeks to address the engagement of primary teachers in professional learning.

To register your associations’ interest, please complete the form below and email to lhoba1@eq.edu.au by 21 March 2007.
7. Reports from Representations

6.1 AJCPTA -
No meeting as yet until 28/3. A set of reports on activities which has been received will be sent to Janet. An invitation has been received to a teaching preservice group meeting in Melbourne and Toni Michael will attend this.

AJCPTA is now only paying for one delegate and JCQTA must pay for the other delegate. **Motion:** That JCQTA support the cost of a delegate to attend 2 AJCPTA meetings per year. **Moved:** Caroline Brooks  **Seconded:** Ann Manion  **Carried**

The next meeting will be on 26-27 May.

6.2 QMYS - No meetings and this report is now to be deleted from the Agenda.

6.3 AGQTP - A partnership plan was submitted yo Gary Francis but no response has been forthcoming and there has been no report from the meeting held at the end of last year. Beryl Exley asked for contacts Gary Francis which have not been given. Janet Cochrane is to follow up with Gary Francis.

6.4 Teaching Australia - No Report.

6.5 Other

7. *Mentoring Project*
Michelle was to present a report but was unable to attend due to family illness. Janet Cochrane will follow up with Michelle.

8. *Values Project* No Report

9. *General Business*
Janet had received an invitation from the Queensland Academy of Arts and Sciences for a JCQTA representative. Ann Manion to fill this role.

Jackie Mergard reported that she had been unable to file the constitutional changes with the Office of Fair Trading before the due date and requested that the meeting endorse the changes ratified at the AGM which can still be filed.

**Motion:** It was moved that the changes to the constitution ratified at the AGM be endorsed for submission to the Office of Fair Trading. **Moved:** Jackie Mergard  **Seconded:** Toni Michael  **Carried**
OzTeacherNet - Margaret Lloyd will be invited to share an update on this project.

ACER - An email from Carmel Crannidge was received requesting discussions as to how ACER’s Centre for Professional Learning can assist JCQTA. A meeting has been set for 26th March at Spring Hill. Ann Manion is to attend with Janet Cochrane.

Association AGM’s - RSTAQ has Rachel Hunter as their guest speaker. QHTA will be holding their AGM at the State Library on 1st March. JCQTA will hold their AGM on 19th September. MYSA have offered the Holy Family School at Indooroopilly as the venue and this is to be confirmed.

The date of the August Forum is August 25th.

MYSA are preparing a position paper on middle schooling and would like to see models of other position papers. Could associations please forward anything of relevance to MYSA.

The Australia Post postbox is due for renewal and there was discussion as to whether it should be moved from the city. Janet Cochrane suggested that the mail be redirected to her. Jackie Mergard will action this.

Meeting closed at 5.40pm

Next Meeting - Wednesday 21st March 2007 - 4.00 - 6.00pm.
Venue: Queensland College of Teachers 9th Floor, Sherwood House

Subsequent meeting dates:
18 April
16 May
20 June
18 July
19th September AGM - venue to be confirmed
17 October
21 November

Ongoing Actions

All Associations Discuss Leigh Hobart’s research proposal and respond by March 21
Jackie Mergard Check with Lyn Allsop re membership invoices.
Janet Cochrane Follow up on partnership plans with Gary Francis.
Janet Cochrane Follow up with Michelle re mentoring project.
Jackie Mergard File constitutional changes with Office of Fair Trading
Jackie Mergard Redirect mail to Janet Cochrane
MYSA Confirm venue for AGM
All Associations Forward models of position papers to MYSA
Jackie Mergard Organise JCQTA Banner