

Annual general meetings - 1999 AGM
15th September 1999

Guest Speaker - Brad Swan re Impact on Professional Associations of 2010

Perceived need for development of a strategic plan, because of falling retention rates; public acceptance of the value of 12 years of schooling; shift in enrolment share

Development of Discussion Paper with state-wide consultation - to try to engage as many people as possible in the process, accompanied by research papers e.g. Kay Schofield on purposes; Social trends in society - Don Edgar, governments' roles in education, benchmarking against OECD countries;

As well, internal research papers were to consider - changing nature of IT, teachers' work; to cause people to consider changes in society, to change the culture within the department to one looking to the future

Target for participation in schooling compared with overseas countries - we have maintained a steady rate cf. similar countries with a greater rate of increase. Targets were to be set for participation increase - Six principals and 6 office staff to consult in 50 schools in all districts across the state; [ed.comment - but how many teachers from the classroom