

May 20 Board Meeting – Advance Notes

Values Ed Framework: the AJCPTA has signed a new contract with DEEWR around the Values Ed Framework. The main focus this time around is engagement in the resources developed from the previous contract and other work. SOSEAQ will most likely be looking after most of this on our behalf. To date: Caroline Brooks attended the Values Education conference in Canberra and will also be participating in the ACEL conference in Darwin in October as the JCQTA Representative.

Web 2.0 Workshop: as part of the AJCPTA contract with Teaching Australia we will be running a Web2.0 workshop – see attached flyer. As per our last board meeting, Karen Bonanno will be delivering the workshop. The focus of the workshop is around how Web2.0 tools can be used by Professional Teacher Associations to support their members. The workshop is hands-on and will require a reasonable level of skill and comfort with computers & internet.

Primary Standards Engagement: as you may be aware, Teaching Australia has been working on the development of Advanced Primary Teaching Standards. The AAMT is the association who has been charged with managing this process. The AJCPTA has been involved through the advisory group. We also have a contract to run consultation workshops on the Standards. These need to be conducted in the June / July period. JCQTA need to discuss how we will do this. We have limited funds to do this – certainly not enough to cover TRS. As the focus is Primary Teaching, we need to ensure Primary School Teachers are involved – Associations with a high number of Primary School Teachers as members will need to be approached.

National Awards: a quick update on the status of the writing process. Three people were nominated by their association to receive assistance with the development of their submission to the awards:

Libby Gaedtke – Early Childhood Teachers' Association (ECTA)

David Macknish – Australian Literacy Educators' Association (ALEA)

David Waterworth – Remedial Support Teachers Association of Queensland (RSTAQ)

All three are currently well into the development of their submissions. These are due to Teaching Australia by June 19 – we wish them luck.

April Forum – any feedback on the topic and the use of videoling as a medium? Is it something we could do again with a different focus?

Additional Items for Discussion

AJCPTA Report: See attached meeting notes

AJCPTA Renaming: At the recent AJCPTA board meeting, we spent the better part of a day with John Peacock from 'Associations Forum'. The focus was on reviewing AJCPTA as an entity. We looked at the goals / objects of the association, current issues with identity, and the overall mission of AJCPTA, among other things. One of the recommendations from the meeting was to change the name of AJCPTA. This now needs to be discussed and voted on by all state and territory joint councils.

That the Australian Joint Council of Professional Teaching Associations (AJCPTA) change its name to the **Australian Professional Teachers Association**. This will require that the name be amended throughout the AJCPTA's Rules of Incorporation.

The Education Show: this has been a past topic of discussion and slipped off my radar. SLAQ participated last year and have reported that it was quite successful. I have uploaded the brochures to our website for your information - <http://www.jcqta.qld.edu.au/deliver/content.asp?pid=1002>. It is quite expensive for one association to take on themselves. If there was enough interest (perhaps a couple of associations), and somebody keen to take this on to organise, it may be possible for JCQTA to also join in.