



# McDOWALL STATE SCHOOL COUNCIL

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## MEMBERSHIP:

	<b>Name</b>	<b>Membership</b>
	Imogen Stager	Official (Principal)
	John Bradley	Official (P&C President)
	Ashley Proud	Elected Staff (2023-25)
	Megan Walker	Elected Staff (2023-25)
	Naomi Thistlethwaite	Elected Staff (2022-24)
	Sally-Anne Summers	Elected Staff (2022-24)
	Clancy Wall	Elected Parent (2023-25)
2023-2024 Chair	Vikram Anenden	Elected Parent (2022-24)
2023-2024 Secretary	Emma-Kate Clyburn	Elected Parent (2022-24)
	Geraldine Mein	Elected Parent (2022-24)

## SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETINGS:

This meeting:	Monday 19 February 2024	6:30pm – 7:30pm	School Staffroom
Term 2:	Monday 20 May 2024	6:30pm – 7:30pm	School Staffroom
Term 3:	Monday 12 August 2024	6:30pm – 7:30pm	School Staffroom
Term 4:	Monday 4 November 2024	6:30pm – 7:30pm	School Staffroom

- Please advise both School Council Secretary and Principal by email, if members are unable to attend a meeting.
- **Quorum** (Minimum of 7 members) requirement met with 10 members in attendance.

## Standing Requirement: Disclosure of Interest and Indictable Offences

This applies to a member of the School Council if:

- The interested member has a direct or indirect financial interest in an issue being considered, or about to be considered by the School Council; and
- The interest could conflict with the proper performance of the interested member's duties when considering the issue.

As soon as practicable after the relevant facts come to the interested member's knowledge, the interested member must disclose the nature of the interest to a meeting of the School Council. Unless the School Council otherwise directs, the interested member must not be present when the School Council considers the issue or take part in a decision of the School Council about the issue. The interested member must not be present when the School Council is considering whether the interested member can be party to considerations.

If a member is not present at a School Council meeting due to their disclosure of interest, the School Council is still considered to have a quorum (as if the member were present) and the remaining members present would consider the issue. A disclosure of interest must be recorded in the School Council's meeting minutes.

If a person is convicted of an indictable offence while a member of a School Council, the person must give written notice to the Principal of the conviction within seven days after the conviction.

## AGENDA ITEMS:

1.	Welcome and Acknowledgement of Country – By School Council Chairperson
2.	School Council Membership Apologies
✓	None
3.	Confirmation of Minutes of previous School Council Meeting
✓	Moved by: Megan Walker
✓	Second: John Bradley
4.	Business Arising from Minutes of previous School Council Meeting

✓ N/A

5. Correspondence and Business Arising from the Correspondence

✓ N/A

7. Reports

✓ Budget Summary report (print outs were available to view)

8. Motions on Notice

✓ Nil

9. General Business / Published Meeting Agenda

✓ **Summary Overview of School Council membership Code of Conduct.** Time Allocated = 5 mins.

- Imogen went through the Code of Conduct
- No questions raised

✓ **Purpose of school council and role** Time Allocated = 10 mins.

- Imogen went through our role and purpose of the student council and our purpose
- No questions raised

✓ **School Strategic Planning and Annual Implementation Plan which now includes I4S** Time Allocated = 15 mins.

- Imogen went through the school strategic plan and the annual implementation plan
- The annual implementation plan outlines the more detailed focus of the School Strategic Plan
- Investing for Success (I4S) is now included in these plans
- Capability and development in STEM have been a focus (focusing on building cognitively engaging the students)
- Learning Walls are in place for all classrooms
- Goal Setting and feedback is being worked on this year
- Have set slightly higher % targets in all areas across A-C for both maths and English
- Noting students overall do better in maths hence the higher targets
- Monitoring the program in place – midway point predications (at the end of each term) – those achieving a D or lower are identified and flagged for needing additional support, Academic Case Management across all levels and vulnerable groups as well, meetings periodically to focus in on the AIP goals to ensure the right focus is going to the rights areas
- A very high level of moderation is happening across all areas, as well as cluster moderation with other nearby school and cross collaboration across all classes/teachers across each year level
- Well being, engagement and culture inclusion is the second priority, currently has been identified as underway and will now be given a more stronger focus this year, this is due to needing to ensure priority 1 was well underway first which has been identified as on track.
- A question was raised on how well being is being measured - a well being (yr4-6) & student opinion (yr5-6) surveys are taken from all students each year, feedback from these surveys are reviewed
- A new program has been implemented this year called 'Play is the Way' which is working on overall well being and behaviours of the students
- Debriefing was mentioned as a really valuable way of working on each year levels overall wellbeing.

✓ **School Budget** Time Allocated = 5 mins.

- Projects that are being worked on this year – F & G block will have a renovation this year, as well as a staff room upgrade (including kitchen)
- \$180k will go into Priority 1 – Educational Achievement of AIP (\$90k per subject)
- P&C pay for the school chaplain - \$50k
- Advancing STEM - \$150k
- Portion of the Budget supports reducing the music fees to ensure there isn't a huge increase in these fees year on year – including reducing the y4 fee slightly due to the change up in how

the classes are structured this year, from previous years

✓ **Update for 2024** –Time Allocated = 10 mins.

- Student numbers, teacher numbers, new staff
- 993 students
- 127 prep numbers (lower then expected)
- There is a composite P/1 due to yr 1 numbers being very high and prep numbers being down
- There is a potential there will be a yr 3/4 composite class needed soon due to yr 3 numbers being very high
- Yr 5 & 6 numbers have remained steady and haven't seen reduction due to students leaving early for private school

✓ **Review and Feedback from School Council members with a Strategic focus** Time Allocated = 15 mins.

- Opportunity for representatives to share strategic feedback and ideas on innovations for the school
- Raised the idea of maybe adding on some additional leadership roles to capture those students that qualified for leadership roles but were not successful. It was discussed that the students are very well supported through this process and are encouraged to buddy up with the leaders and help out as they have their senior badge and this is recognised as a fantastic achievement. Focus is also given to those still trying to obtain their senior badge and these students are encouraged to work on this.

School Council Meeting Closure = 7:30pm

10. Next Meeting

Monday 20 May 2024 School Staffroom – 6:30pm

Future Agenda Items

- Update on land purchase on the Keona Rd side of McDowallSS