



You may know that Rossmoyne Senior High School has a school Board that meets regularly. We also wish to keep you informed about what the Board does (chances are you don't know too much about that).

Given our role, we think it's important to let you know what the Board has been doing via an overview of the outcomes of each meeting. Being connected and engaged with parents, students, staff and our local community is an important part of how we can do what we do well.

Here is a summary of business covered at our June meeting:

Outcomes of Board Meeting – 13 June 2017

Funding Agreements

The funding agreements for 2016 and 2017, which outline the financial reporting requirements for the Annual Report each year, were noted and acknowledged by the Board.

Business Plan – Reporting Framework

We were excited to see the framework for the monitoring and reporting tool that will be used to track and report on performance against the priorities, strategies and targets in the business plan across the life of the plan. The format will assist with the effective monitoring of trends and performance, and will align with the school's self assessment review framework. The reporting framework will also support the early identification of possible areas of risk, or declining performance across the school which require intervention.

We were also excited to see the recent results of the student What's Happening In This School (WHITS) survey and the staff culture survey. The data gathered assists the school to effectively monitor performance against the "learning for life" priority area in the business plan, which focuses on wellbeing and culture. The results from these surveys give benchmark data to the school. The school will analyse the data further identify and implement appropriate responses to address issues arising.

The Department's School Performance Monitoring system, which is a Departmental monitoring tool was also discussed. The system is structured around three components of school context, performance and compliance.

The Board endorsed the reporting framework, and also the data collection tools that were demonstrated, as it provides another dimension to supporting and guiding the school in its decision making.

Rossmoyne's 50th Anniversary Celebration

2018 is a very exciting time in the life of our school, with Rossmoyne celebrating its 50th anniversary. There is a very exciting schedule of events and activities to celebrate our school community, and to provide arrange of opportunities to connect with former students, families and staff. More information will be provided closer to the events, but we hope that everyone who has a connection with Rossmoyne – past, present or future, joins with us to make 2018's anniversary celebrations an outstanding success.

Student Report

We heard from our student members about how things are travelling at the school from the students' perspective. It was great to hear about the Student Run Assemblies which have taken place during the term, bringing a new dimension to the assemblies. It was also great to hear the students' enthusiasm for the Combined School Music Festival being held with Perth Modern, which is fantastic celebration of the schools' talented musicians.

Board Training

A number of Board members recently completed the Department's new Board training program, which provided a great opportunity to reflect on our governance processes and operations.

Board Appointments

The Board was very grateful excited to welcome two new community members to the Board, Maureen Lorimer and Andy Farrant. Maureen, a former Senior High School Principal, currently works with SCSA and also a reviewer of Independent Public Schools. Andy has a long history with arts and youth theatre. We welcome both Maureen and Andy to the Board, and look forward to their contribution and perspective.

2017 Open Board Meeting

The 2017 Combined P&C and Open Board meeting will be held on Wednesday 9 August, at 6.30pm. The 2017-2020 business plan will be launched at the meeting, and the Rotary Club of Rossmoyne will also meet with us to about their involvement in the school, and their support of our school and students through a wide range of community service activities.

Kirsty Barnetson

RSHS School Board Chair