



Somerly Primary School

School Board Meeting Term 2 2026: Minutes

ATTENDEE S:	Jonathan Smith, Harry Turnbull, Shylie Elliott, Nicole Jacobs, Martina Windsor, Dr Chris O'Brien, Leandra Bayman, Rosemary Mackie, Katy Hough, Leah Crawford						
APOLOGIE S:	Zac Curtis, Mark Folkard,						
DATE:	18/05/20 26	TIME:	9 am	MINUTE SECRETARY:	Shylie Elliott	CHAIR:	Harry Turnbull

ITEM 1	Welcome	Time Allocated	2 Min	Led by	Chair – Harry Turnbull
Agenda Item Goal	Understand	Points of Discussions			Action Items
	- Welcome and introduction - Acknowledgement of country - Code of Conduct & Group Norms - Noting conflicts of interest				- Mark declared conflict of Interest as he is Board Chair at Clarkson Primary and Clarkson CHS. Board Member Quinns Rocks PS and approached to be a member of Merriwa PS - Harry declared he is P&C member, coordinator of Somerly Playgroup, President-Elect of the Rotary Club of Mindarie, member of Board and Advisory Council at Irene McCormack Catholic College - Leah declared conflict of interest as principal at CCHS - Rosemary declared conflict as member of the P&C - Dr Chris o'Brien is on the board of Kinross College

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ITEM 3	Governance	Time Allocated	10 minutes	Led by	Chair – Harry Turnbull
Agenda Item Goal	Multiple	Points of Discussions			Action Items
		Inform	Welcome Aunty Nikki to the School Board. <i>Board has had numerous discussions to strengthen cultural practices and voice on the board and through decisions</i>		<i>Notify community of public meeting</i>
		Decide	Notice of Public Meeting <i>Public meeting 2nd Nov 2026: All in favour</i>		

ITEM 4	Finance	Time Allocated	10 minutes	Led by	Jonathan Smith
Agenda Item Goal	Understand	Points of Discussions			Action Items
		Understand	Updates on school finances linked to school priorities. <i>School finances are tracking against budget allocations</i>		

ITEM 5	Operational Updates	Time Allocated	15 minutes	Led by	Jonathan Smith
Agenda Item Goal	Understand	Points of Discussions			Action Items
		Understand	Update on playground inspections. <i>Inspection of playground did not identify breaches of the standard for the nature playground</i>		
		Understand	Update on new routines for Early Years at Drop Off and Pick Up.		

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	<i>Teachers and EAs received training Program will start in classes in T3 Resilience Program has been rolled out through school Looking into how we can extend the program and its focuses through awards etc</i> • Progress on development of data tracking systems. <i>Diebels completed 3 times a year Have developed a baseline of data for levels of students Will be tracking students' progress as they move through years Data will support the moderation of grades</i> • Progress on developing a relationship with Clarkson High School around transition arrangements. <i>Building connections with Clarkson Senior High School in years 4 and 5 Special events in STEM, PE and investigating the Arts Yr 5 & 6 visit to participate Social-emotional program with Student Services (Chaplain, AIEO) visiting Somerly regularly to develop relationships</i> • Progress on developing social and emotional intervention programs, e.g. KoolKids 8 – 11 Term 2, Next Level Collaboration (Neurodivergent Children) Term 3 <i>Staff attending training for programs to introduce them at Somerly</i>	
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		fabric option. Concerns around PFAS coatings cited. <i>A parent has raised concerns about chemical coatings used in the production of fabric used for uniforms</i> Inform - Safe Travel to and from School <i>A student of Somerly Primary was involved with a incident with a car.</i> <i>Minimal safe crossing points on Neerabup Rd and Hester Avenue for students to access to cross when travelling to and from school</i> - Board Chair correspondence to Mark Folkard MLA regarding pedestrian safety concerns and advocacy for improved crossing infrastructure around Somerly Primary School catchment areas. <i>A response has been received from staff of Mark Folkard, identifying it is being investigated</i> Understand	
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ITEM 9	Indigenous Committee Update	Time Allocated	15 minutes	Led by	Jonathan Smith and Aunty Nikki
Agenda Item Goal	Understand	Discussion	Action Items		
		Update on new Block Names <i>Names for the six blocks have been chosen</i> <i>The decision was based on parent, staff and students</i> <i>The blocks will be named after animals specific to seasons</i> Understand			



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Meeting Closed	10:27am	Next Meeting	
Board Chair Signature		Principal Signature	
	Harry Turnbull		Jonathan Smith