

School Board Report for 2019

As Leeming Senior High School is an Independent Public School, the School Board has a role to contribute to the governance of the school and supporting the school meet its objectives. The School Board has parent, staff, community and student members.

The role and functions of the School Board are set by the *School Education Act 1999* and supporting regulations and include:

- taking part in establishing and reviewing from time to time, the school's objectives, priorities and general policy directions and in evaluating the school's performance in achieving those objectives, priorities and directions;
- approving voluntary charges and contributions for each school year;
- determining a dress code for students when they are attending or representing the school; and
- promoting the school in the community.

The Leeming SHS School Board met four times in 2019, with one meeting each term. Early in the year the School Board approved the new uniform items for students and the Board acknowledged the work of the P&C in sourcing new uniform items. Other activities for the School Board for 2019 included:

- discussing and progressing initiatives to support student and staff health and well-being;
- discussing board induction procedures and training for new Board members for 2020 and future years;
- noting the school budget and funding;
- noting the academic achievements of the school including ATAR scores and graduation rates for 2018, and NAPLAN results for Years 7 and 9 for 2019;
- discussing the development of a new policy covering parent and staff communication; and
- approving voluntary contributions and charges for 2020.

In 2019, the School Board had 7 parent members, 3 staff members (including the School Principal), one community member and the two School Captains as student members. The 2019 School Board Members were:

Parent Members - Michelle Striepe, Shane Styles, Kevin Sullivan, Ross Taplin, Gareth Tasker, Michael Blakemore (P&C President), Claire Purcell.

Community Member - Geoff Garnett

Student Members - Kara Turley, Joel Noble

Staff Members - Angels Gilabert-Jaumot, Mark Williams, Brendon Wallwork (Principal ex officio)

Minute Taker - Nicole van Bloomestein

As Board Chairperson I would like to offer my thanks to all the members of the School Board for their contribution throughout the year.



On behalf of the Board members I would also like to acknowledge the work of Geoff Garnett, who stepped down as the Chairperson of the School Board in early 2019, having undertaken the role since the inception of the Board. Geoff has remained as a community member of the School Board and we all thank him for his ongoing contribution to the LSHS community.

Claire Purcell
Board Chairperson

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