

Queensland Drug Education Coordinators Committee (QDECC)

Date/Time: 15th October, 2008, 12:00pm

Location: Queensland Catholic Education Commission, 143 Edward Street, Brisbane

Attendees: A/Executive Director Student Services Division Education Queensland (EQ), Information and Training Officer Queensland Police Service (QPS) Drug and Alcohol Coordination, Executive Officer (Education) Queensland Catholic Education Commission (QCEC), Executive Officer (Education) Queensland Catholic Education Commission (QCEC), Executive Director Independent Schools Queensland (ISQ), Manager Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Learning and Engagement Centre Education Queensland, Representative Queensland Council of Parents and Citizens Associations (QCPCA)

Apologies: Senior Policy Advisor Alcohol and Tobacco Other Drugs (ATOD) Branch Queensland Health, Queensland Council of Parents and Citizens Associations (QCPCA), A/Senior Advisor Queensland School Drug Education Strategy (QSDES), Assistant Executive Officer Parents and Friends Federation, Queensland, Executive Director Drug Arm, Manager (Education Services) Independent Schools Queensland (ISQ), Principal St John Fisher College, A/Manager Health and Wellbeing Student Services Division Education Queensland (EQ)

Secretariat: A/Project Officer Queensland School Drug Education Strategy (QSDES)

Agenda Item 1: Welcome and Apologies

The Chair welcomed members to the meeting and noted apologies.

Agenda Item 2: Confirmation of Minutes from Previous Meeting

The meeting accepted the minutes as a true and accurate record of the previous meeting.

Agenda Item 3: Business Arising from Previous Minutes

There were no actions from previous meeting.

Agenda Item 4: National School Drug Education Strategy (NSDES) – 2007/08

- A/Executive Director Student Services Division EQ reported the following:
 - The 2007 QSDES Case Study Schools Project was very successful. The next round of case studies will focus on the Early Years (Prep to Year 2) in 2008.
 - The final report to the Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations (DEEWR) for the NSDES 2004/05 – 2007/08 contract was finalised and sent in September. Final Case Studies are available to be viewed on the Drug Education Website. <http://education.qld.gov.au/health-safety/promotion/drug-education/index.html>
 - An overview of the 2008 ISQ Case Study Project was provided to members.

Agenda Item 5: Drug Education Forums 2004/05 – 2007/08

- A/Project Officer QSDES reported the following:
 - Applications for the Drug Education Forums Project closed 19 September 2008.
 - A national NSDES meeting occurs in May and November each year. The next meeting will be held in Perth in November 2008.
- A/Executive Director Student Services Division EQ reported the following:
 - There is residual funding from the NSDES 2004/05 – 2007/08 and the Drug Education Forums 2004/05 – 2007/08 contracts. QSDES representatives are in negotiations with DEEWR for a new project to commence.

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- An overview of the new project was provided and Members were advised that the project will be guided by the *Principles for School Drug Education*.
- All members of QDECC discussed the possibility of funding cluster applications.

Decision 5.1: All schools must submit individual applications, however schools can work together to achieve the desired outcome.

Agenda Item 6: Indigenous Rural and Remote Initiative (IRRI) 2007/08

- A/Executive Director Student Services Division EQ gave an update on the IRRI project. Members were advised that ISQ has carriage of this project on behalf of all three education sectors.
- A/Project Officer QSDES advised Members that the funding submission for the Indigenous Rural and Remote Initiative 2008/09 was submitted to DEEWR on 30 September 2008.

Agenda Item 7: 2008/09 School Leadership Workshops on Ecstasy and Related Drugs (ERDs)

- A/Project Officer QSDES reported the following:
 - The first seminar, held in August 2008, was very successful.
 - Feedback from the first seminar will inform the remaining seminars scheduled for 2009.
- Information and Training Officer QPS Drug and Alcohol Coordination asked if there would be any follow-up after the seminar.

Decision 7.1: For the 2008/09 School Leadership Workshops on Ecstasy and Related Drugs (ERDs) Project, no follow-up will be provided. However, the feedback may be used to inform future QSDES activities.

Agenda Item 8: Target priorities and directions for QSDES in 2008/09

- A/Executive Director Student Services Division Education Queensland reported the following:
 - QSDES will receive funding for 12 months from DEEWR for 2008-2009.
 - The National Wellbeing Framework review is currently underway and will inform future directions for QSDES.

Agenda Item 9: Other Business

9.1: Update from Queensland Police Service Drug and Alcohol Coordination

- Information and Training Officer Queensland Police Service (QPS) Drug and Alcohol Coordination reported the following:
 - The legislation has changed in regards to the supply of alcohol to minors.
 - The Office of Liquor, Gaming and Racing has produced new Fact Sheets and advertisements to inform the public of the new legislation.
 - The "Party Safe" registration has been revised.
 - The name of the Drugs and Alcohol Community Education Resource (DACER) has changed to Drugs and Alcohol Community Information Resource (DACIR)
 - Advised committee that any questions regarding this should be directed to the Liquor Licensing website or to their local Police Station.

Action 9.1.1 Information and Training Officer Queensland Police Service (QPS) Drug and Alcohol Coordination to forward Fact sheets and copies of the advertisements to QDECC Members

Action 9.1.2 A/Project Officer QSDES to forward updated QDECC Distribution List to Information and Training Officer Queensland Police Service (QPS) Drug and Alcohol Coordination



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9.2: Update from Queensland Council of Parents and Citizens Association (QCPCA)

- Representative QCPCA reported the following:
 - The QCPCA Policy has been reformatted. There are now three main points:
 1. Student Learning
 2. School Environment (Learning)
 3. Community Expectations.
 - Two (2) Community Forums have been run on the following
 1. "What is bullying? What does it represent?" (schools and workplaces).
 2. "The Impact of Drugs in the Community".
 - Advised committee that QCPCA are currently updating their website and are trying to find new ways to engage parents.

9.3: Queensland Healthy School Awards

- A/Executive Director Student Services Division Education Queensland reported the following:
 - Queensland Healthy Schools Awards have begun and \$500,000 will be awarded to Queensland's healthiest school.
 - More information is available at the *Keep Australia Beautiful* website.

Agenda Item 10: Next Meeting

- April 2009
- Department of Education and Training (DET)
- Education House, 30 Mary Street, Brisbane QLD 4000

Action 10.1 A/Project Officer QSDS to advise group members of next meeting date

Action 10.2 A/Project Officer QSDS to organise venue booking and catering

Meeting closed at: 1:45pm

Decisions

A summary of decisions is provided below

Ref	Decisions
5.1	All schools must submit individual applications, however schools can work together to achieve the desired outcome.
7.1	For the 2008/09 School Leadership Workshops on Ecstasy and Related Drugs (ERDs) Project, no follow-up will be provided. However, the feedback may be used to inform future QSDS activities

Actions

A summary of actions is provided below



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Ref	Actions	Responsible Officer	Due Date
9.1.1	Forward Fact sheets and copies of the advertisements to QDECC Members	Information and Training Officer QPS Drug and Alcohol Coordination	October 2008
9.1.2	Forward updated QDECC Distribution List to Information and Training Officer Queensland Police Service (QPS) Drug and Alcohol Coordination	A/Project Officer QSDES	October 2008
10.1	Advise group members of next meeting date	A/Project Officer QSDES	January 2009
10.2	Organise venue booking and catering	A/Project Officer QSDES	January 2009

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