

AITSL BOARD MEETING REPORT

23 May 2019

Attendance

This meeting was attended by Board Directors: Laureate Professor John Hattie (Chair), Mr Chris Wardlaw (Deputy Chair), Ms Beth Blackwood, Ms Alex Gordon, Prof. Donna Pendergast, Dr Jennifer Buckingham, Mr Mark Mowbray, Dr Peter Lind, Ms Renez Lammon, Mr Rob Nairn and Mr Tony Cook.

Update from the Chair

We considered a number of key pieces of work undertaken by the AITSL team in the May meeting, which was held in Darwin to coincide with the annual HALT Summit. The Summit took place over the two days following the Board meeting.

The Directors welcomed Mr Mark Grant to his first Board meeting as CEO of AITSL.

HALT Summit

The Directors were updated on the final details of the HALT Summit, the theme of which was “Expanding our Impact”.

2019–20 Work Plan

The Directors were provided with a summary of the 2019–20 Work Plan. The contents of the Work Plan were discussed and agreed, with minor additions requested. The Board **approved** the 2019–20 Work Plan subject to requested changes being made.

Esteeming the Profession

The Board discussed the priority areas for esteeming the profession as identified by the School Leadership and Teaching Expert Standing Committee and the Teacher Education Expert Standing Committee. They noted that this work complemented AITSL’s written and verbal submissions to the Public Inquiry into the Status of the Teaching Profession. Directors also recognised and noted that AITSL’s work is underpinned by the premise of esteeming the profession. The Directors made a number of recommendations to strengthen the priority areas, and **endorsed** the priority areas subject to requested changes being made.

Initial Teacher Education Progress Report

The Board considered a report on updates regarding implementation of initial teacher education (ITE) reforms, in particular with a focus on teaching performance assessments (TPAs) and TPA reforms. Directors held an extensive discussion about the progress and the next steps in supporting improvements in ITE, and made a number of recommendations. The Board **approved** the report subject to requested changes being made.

The AITSL Board next meets on 25 June 2019 in Melbourne.