

AITSL Board Meeting Report

9 and 10 November 2020

Attendance

The meeting was attended by Board Directors:

- Emeritus Laureate Professor John Hattie (Chair)
- Mr Chris Wardlaw (Deputy Chair)
- Ms Beth Blackwood
- Professor Donna Pendergast
- Dr Jennifer Buckingham
- Mr Malcolm Elliott
- Mr Mark Mowbray
- Ms Renez Lammon
- Mr Tim Bullard.

The meeting was also attended by Ms Julie Birmingham as the Department of Education, Skills and Employment Observer.

Due to the COVID-19 restrictions, this meeting was held by videoconference.

Summary

- The Board welcomed Mr Tim Bullard to his first meeting as a Board Director.
- This was a special two-day Board meeting with a focus on providing Directors with strategic and in-depth overviews on priority AITSL projects including Indigenous Cultural Competency in the Australian Teacher Workforce, High Quality Professional Learning, Teaching Effectiveness, Teacher Registration, Initial Teacher Education Reform, and the Australian Teacher Workforce Data Initiative.
- For each project overview, the Board was joined by relevant AITSL staff who presented strategic issues and next steps for input from Directors. Directors continued to emphasise the focus on meeting the needs of teachers and school leaders and ensuring value-add for the profession in all the work AITSL delivers.
- The Board was also joined by Mr Nick Weideman from Education Services Australia (ESA) who, together with AITSL staff, provided an updated on the Online Formative Assessment Initiative, jointly being delivered by ESA, Australian Curriculum, Assessment and Reporting Authority (ACARA), and AITSL. The Board was provided with an update on progress in the current alpha phase of the project, including the testing of professional learning prototypes developed by AITSL.

The AITSL Board next meets on 30 March 2021.
