Bulimba Town Hall Meeting

Mike Wilkes
P&C President

Michael Zeuschner
Principal Bulimba State School

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Executive Principal Brisbane State High School

Q & A Session
Setting up a School Council

Preparation

The principal prepares a draft constitution
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Approval

The draft constitution is approved via secret ballot by the P&C and school staff, and a notice is published in the State Government Gazette.
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Parent and Staff Elections

Official members (principal and P&C president) organise school council elections by appointing a returning officer to oversee the election process for school council elected members.
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The returning officer provides public notice (e.g. school newsletter; staff notices) of election **at least 28 days** before the date of election.
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Each elected parent and staff member holds office for a term, not longer than two years, however half of the school council's first elected members may hold office for a term of up to 3 years.
Appointed members

School councils may appoint no more than two appointed members who have knowledge and experience that would assist the council to perform its functions; and reflect the local community context.
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The term of appointed members is decided by the school council, but must not exceed 2 years.
IPS so far for Bulimba

The Benefits

Since becoming an IPS in 2014 Bulimba has been able to take advantage of many benefits. One major benefit is the direct access the school now has to key decision makers within the Department. There is strong commitment to remove the red tape and make innovation possible.
IPS so far for Bulimba

Flexibility in staffing

- Staffed within existing budget
- Additional allocation
- Increased coaching and mentoring
- Year level leaders
- Needs based allocation
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Administrative improvements

- Staffed within existing budget
- Provision of online services
- Development of one page report card
- School council secretariat
- Direct contact and support
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Facility efficiency

- Completion of wireless network
- School based decision making
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Pedagogical opportunities

- Connections with like schools
- Partnerships with Universities
- Opportunities to attend world class presenters
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The future

- School council to assist with strategic direction.
- Continued local decisions to suit our community.
- Continued flexibility with staffing to meet local needs.
- Continued development of partnerships for learning.
- A school focused on 21st century pedagogy for 21st century learners.
Young Minds Grow in this Garden

GLOBAL CITIZENS

Emotional
Reflective and deep thinker
Makes sense of and understands the complexity of the world and its interdependence.

CAPABLE CONFIDENT CRITICAL

Behavioural
Ethical and responsible citizen
Empathetic to others and able to make ethical decisions about issues, events and actions.

CARING CONNECTED CREATIVE

Social
Connected Learner
Engaged, interested and enthusiastic about exploring the world and capable of working with others.

ENGAGED AND ACHIEVING

Academic
Autonomous Learner
Self-directed and motivated with an ongoing interest in learning and achieving.

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