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## From the President



Dear QASEL members

I trust that your Term 2 has started well.

This is the most exciting term of the school year for QASEL and our members!

Our upcoming conference 'Building Leaders, Capacity, Partnerships and Expectations' to be held for the first time at the Hilton Brisbane Hotel 13-15 June is imminent! However there are still opportunities to register up to and including Friday 8 June. REGISTER NOW! I look forward to seeing you there!

The planned new QASEL website designed and delivered through Schoolzine, is hopefully to be ready for launching at our annual conference. I will alert all QASEL members when the website is able to be accessed...It will be a much more interactive and accessible website for prospective and current members. There will also be capacity to add to it as we progress... QASEL documents etc will be accessible only to members in a specific section of the site. It will be worth the wait!

A new initiative of the Department of Education's HR Organisational Transformation and Capability work is the Teaching Queensland's Future Executive Stakeholder Reference Group on which I represent you and the issues around teacher shortages in the areas of disability and inclusion. Due to the six full cohorts of Prep students reaching their Senior years of schooling in 2020 we are going to be impacted considerably with teacher shortages. As you are well aware we in special education are challenged already in this space, particularly our rural and remote colleagues and schools. I welcome your innovative thoughts and ideas as we navigate this very challenging future for our schools.

There are a number of attachments included in this newsletter for your information and action.

I have enjoyed visiting a number of individual schools to date this year. I will be undertaking planned regional visits again next term. Please continue to invite me to your networks and schools. I already have visits scheduled into Term 3 but my calendar is filling quickly! I would love to come and visit you, your workplace, your students and your colleagues and we will hold a catered QASEL network meeting.

Thank you for your support of me as your President and representative - I really appreciate the 'checking in' emails and calls!

See you at conference!

Warm regards

**Roselynn Anderson**

**President**

**Queensland Association of Special Education Leaders (QASEL)**



## President – Advocacy, Activities, Collaboration and Partnerships April-May 2018

- **Michael Wren Oak Predictive Analytics meeting** ( 16 April)
- **SER school visits** (17 April)
- **QASEL QSPA QASSP and P-10/12 Principal Associations liaison meeting with P&Cs Qld** ( 18 April )
- **Deb Dunstone ADG Disability & Inclusion term meeting** (19 April)
- **Teach Queensland Fair** (19 April)
- **Ministerial Council ( Federal) debrief** (20 April)
- **Senior Assessment and Tertiary Entrance (SATE) Principals Reference Group** ( 20 April)
- **Presidents of Associations planning meeting** (23 April)
- **Ministerial Round Table on Water Safety** (23 April)
- **NAPLAN ONLINE Reference Group** (24 April)
- **Meeting with Minister Grace** (24 April)
- **HR Student Awards, Scholarships and Bursaries Customs House** (27 April)
- **AITSL review of Teacher Registration consultation forum for ASEPA** (30 April)
- **Metro Special School Principals Alliance** (3 May)

- **QASEL STATE COUNCIL Autism Hub and Reading Centre** (4 May)
- **AMP Advice partnership meeting Autism Hub and Reading Centre** (4 May)
- **TECESE Governance Board meeting Aspley Special School** (9 May)
- **Parent and Community Engagement Conference (PACE) with P&Cs Qld Steering Committee** (9 May)
- **A/DDG Leanne Nixon and Gary Austen Ministerial Adviser meeting re I4S future models** (11 May)
- **Headspace meeting with Presidents of Associations re future possible Principal wellbeing models** (14 May)
- **meeting with new Director-General Tony Cook**(14 May)
- **Liam Smith ADG School Improvement Unit term meeting** (14 May)
- **Schools Stakeholder Reference Group meeting** (15 May)
- **CEO QCAA Chris Rider term meeting** (14 May)
- **ASEPA Board meeting Adelaide** (16 May)
- **ASEPA Conference Glenelg South Australia** (17-18 May)
- **Teaching Queensland's Future Executive Stakeholder Reference Group** ( 24 May)
- **P & Cs Qld Day launch of P&C of the year 2018 Bulimba SS** (25 May)
- **Minister's advisers Gary Austen and Angus Crowther visit Mt Ommaney Special School re NDIS** (16 March)
- **Premier's Adviser liaison meeting** (27 March)
- **ED State Schooling meeting re School Sports review** (28 March)
- **P & Cs Qld and Presidents' Associations meeting re 2018 Parent & Community Engagement conference** (28 March)
- **Minister's adviser Gary Austen and President visits to Currimundi and Caboolture Special Schools** ( 29 May)



Dr. Bonnie Billingsley, a professor at Virginia Tech, is a faculty member in the School of Education in Blacksburg, Virginia.

Dr Billingsley is a former special education teacher and administrator. She has taught in both leadership and teacher education programs at the graduate level. She has also authored numerous articles, chapters, as well as books on topics related to principal leadership for inclusive schools, teacher retention induction.



Carrington was the Harvard Club of Australia Fellow for 2012/2013. He was awarded this prestigious scholarship to attend the CEO program at Harvard University's Graduate School of Business. Dr Carrington is currently the CEO of a national charity 'ACT For Kids,' an organisation dedicated to supporting abused and neglected children. He most recently was the Foundation National Director of the Leadership Centre for the Australian Council for Educational Research (ACER). He graduated originally as a teacher and has taught in schools as diverse as Cunnamulla, Townsville, Roma and London.



Dr Wenn Lawson's research focus is: Autism & Gender; Autism & Gender Dysphoria; Learning across the life span', Object Permanence in Autism .. **papers published:** 'GAMMA and autistic attention,' 'Delayed Object Permanence and autism,' 'Single Attention & associated Cognition in Autism (SACCA)'; Women & Girls... and many others. He has written and/or contributed to over 20 books on autism and related topics.



## P&Cs Qld and Department of Education Parent and Community Engagement (PACE) State Conference 7-8 September 2018



P&Cs Qld is thrilled to present our Annual State Conference in partnership with the Department of Education, to deliver a

## Upcoming Events

### QASELCON 18

We are excited to invite you to QASELCON18: 'Building Leaders, Capacity, Partnerships and Expectations'.

Have you registered yet for #QASELCON18?

Standard registration will close on Friday 8 June.

The Conference Organising Committee is pleased to announce our Keynote Speakers for QASELCON18.

unique Queensland perspective on parent engagement in state schools.

This exciting opportunity to connect with hundreds of Queensland volunteers and teaching leaders for our annual state conference, Every child Every chance; Parents as partners in learning.

Throughout the conference we will be exploring the Queensland Parents and Community Engagement Framework, and what this means for parents, teachers and principals to ensure that every child has every chance for success.

As one of Australia's leading parent advocacy and support groups, P&Cs Qld is pleased to be joined by many national education partners and state-wide parent advocates, such as the Australian Council of State School Organisations and the Australian Secondary Principals' Association.

**Register now!**

## Items for Information

### Teach Queensland News and Jobs

Have a look at the May issue – a great read!

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