

# Summary of QCAA Board decisions

Queensland Curriculum and Assessment Authority

Meeting: 29 November 2017

Agenda Item	Recommendation
SATE Program update	It was agreed to note the: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Senior Assessment and Tertiary Entrance (SATE) Program Report that provides an update on the projects associated with the implementation of the new Queensland Certificate of Education system, and the program risks and issues</li><li>• final report of the external review of the management of the SATE Program and request regular updates on QCAA's response to its recommendations.</li></ul>
Professional Learning Program update	It was agreed to note the update on the professional learning program to support the introduction of the new Queensland Certificate of Education system.
Senior syllabus review process	It was agreed to note the update on the development of a senior syllabus review process for the syllabuses in the new Queensland Certificate of Education system.
Senior syllabus approval	It was agreed to approve the following Short Course senior syllabus and 14 alternative sequences for implementation with Year 11 students from 2019: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Languages Short Course senior syllabus</li><li>• Agricultural Science alternative sequence</li><li>• Ancient History alternative sequence</li><li>• Biology alternative sequence</li><li>• Dance alternative sequence</li><li>• Design alternative sequence</li><li>• Drama alternative sequence</li><li>• Film, Television and New Media alternative sequence</li><li>• Geography alternative sequence</li><li>• Modern History alternative sequence</li><li>• Music alternative sequence</li><li>• Physical Education alternative sequence</li><li>• Physics alternative sequence</li><li>• Psychology alternative sequence</li><li>• Visual Art alternative sequence.</li></ul>
Implementation of ICT technical infrastructure to support the new senior assessment and tertiary entrance system	It was agreed to note the progress made in the redevelopment of the core ICT infrastructure to support the new senior assessment and tertiary entrance system.

QCE Achievement Awards from 2020	It was agreed to note the information about future options for the Queensland Certificate of Education (QCE) Achievement Awards from 2020.
QCE Achievement Awards – date claimer	It was agreed to note the information regarding the Queensland Certificate of Education (QCE) Achievement Awards for the Year 12 students graduating in 2017.
K–6 Curriculum and Assessment Committee	<p>It was agreed to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• note the minutes of the K–6 Curriculum and Assessment Committee meeting held on 26 October 2017</li> <li>• approve the following advice be provided by the QCAA: “The National Literacy and Numeracy Learning Progressions are a resource which schools may choose to use.”</li> <li>• brief the Minister for Education on the P–10 Australian Curriculum in Queensland.</li> </ul>
Years 7–12 Curriculum, Assessment and Certification Committee	<p>It was agreed to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• note the minutes of the Years 7–12 Curriculum, Assessment and Certification Committee meeting held on 15 November 2017</li> <li>• note that the committee endorsed the following draft senior syllabus documents for approval by the QCAA Board: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Languages Short Course senior syllabus</li> <li>○ Agricultural Science alternative sequence</li> <li>○ Ancient History alternative sequence</li> <li>○ Biology alternative sequence</li> <li>○ Dance alternative sequence</li> <li>○ Design alternative sequence</li> <li>○ Drama alternative sequence</li> <li>○ Film, Television and New Media alternative sequence</li> <li>○ Geography alternative sequence</li> <li>○ Modern History alternative sequence</li> <li>○ Music alternative sequence</li> <li>○ Physical Education alternative sequence</li> <li>○ Physics alternative sequence</li> <li>○ Psychology alternative sequence</li> <li>○ Visual Art alternative sequence</li> </ul> </li> <li>• approve the Instrumental Music Curriculum (IMC) 2017 (Levels 7–10) be recognised as Preparatory category of learning contributing one credit towards the award of a Queensland Certificate of Education (QCE)</li> <li>• approve that students who receive QCE credit for the IMC must use repertoire that is different from that performed in any other recognised studies music course, e.g. Trinity College London, Australian Music Examinations Board (AMEB), Australian College of Music.</li> </ul>
Audit Committee	It was agreed to note the minutes and recommendations from the Audit Committee meeting held on 7 November 2017.

Out-of-Session item: Use of ATARs for entry into the medical science course at the University of the Sunshine Coast	It was agreed to note that the use of Australian Tertiary Admission Ranks to support the selection of Queensland Year 12 students for entry into the new Bachelor of Medical Science course at the University of the Sunshine Coast was approved out-of-session.
Financial Report	It was agreed to note the financial report as at 31 October 2017, including variance explanations.
Dashboard Performance Report	It was agreed to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• note the Dashboard Performance Report as at 31 October 2017</li> <li>• request a report on the feedback from the QCAA Principals Conference.</li> </ul>
Correspondence Report	It was agreed to note the correspondence received or sent by the Chair of the QCAA since the last meeting.