

**Meeting Summary of the Committee of Religious Institute and Ministerial PJP School Authorities Australia (CORMSAA)
Thursday 7 Mar 2024 at ACU North Sydney**

Present

Frank Malloy (<i>Marist Schools Australia</i>)	From NSW/ACT - Chair
Brigette Sipa RSJ (<i>Josephite Sisters</i>)	From SA/NT
Marea Nicholson AM	Educationalist member – Nominee to NCEC
Chris Mayes (<i>EREA</i>)	From QLD standing in for Catherine O’Kane
Audrey Brown	Educationalist member
Mary Retel (<i>Oblates of Mary Immaculate</i>)	From WA
Martin Teulan (<i>AMPJP</i>)	Ex-officio – Executive Director AMPJP
Moira Najdecki	Chair AMPJP

Apology Catherine O’Kane.

Discussion:

1. Forums of RI and MPJP School Authorities (inviting school Principals and Boards) for 2024.

Three Forums are planned:

- March 26 on Service fees for provision by school authorities to individual schools.
- June 19 on supporting the needs of school authorities with one or a few schools.
- September 5 on Monitoring the Effectiveness of Formation.

2. Appointments

- a. Paul Ould has resigned from the Committee and was thanked for his contribution.
- b. Audrey Brown has been nominated to the La Salle advisory Committee.
- c. Frank Malloy will represent CORMSAA at the La Salle meeting on charisms.

3. NCEC Nominee’s Report

- *Work is being undertaken around Australia to determine the real and comparative level of funding of Catholic and government schools including capital and head office costs.*
- *CORMSAA will support NCEC in this area.*
- *CORMSAA is now represented on appropriate NCEC committees.*

4. Strategic Priorities

- What is the value proposition of our schools? We need to assist in developing a narrative. We need to share more good news stories.
- We need more work on charisms which are key elements to our schools and their impact on the hearts and minds of members of our school communities.
- CORMSAA budget growth needs consideration to meet expanded areas of interest and an increased partnership with NCEC.
- Balancing the preferential option for the poor (e.g. First Nations programs) with

- aspirational parents wanting best facilities etc.
- Other key issues include teacher workforce, cost of living impacts on parents, anti-faith impacts by regulators, and learning gains by our students.

Next CORMSAA Meeting: June 5 2024

For additional information please contact a CORMSAA member or executive.director@ampjp.org.au

Frank Malloy (Chair)