

GLASSER AUSTRALIA (GA) - GLASSER QUALITY SCHOOLS (GQS) POLICY

INTRODUCTION

In 1998 Dr Glasser wrote in his book *The Quality School...* "Nothing we can do will improve the quality of life in any community more than quality schools. Young people who are involved with quality education do not engage in self destructing activities and are an asset to the community. There is not a more effective and economical way to improve the economy of a community (or country) than for it to be known for excellent schools."

PURPOSE

This policy seeks to support the GA GQS Procedure developed by Christine Duffield, Bette Blance and Susan Fleming in September 2022.

POLICY

The GA Board of Directors endorses the GA GQS Procedure. This policy outlines the Board's endorsement requirements regarding the GA GQS process.

RESPONSIBILITIES

GA Board will:

- Endorse the GA GQS subcommittee as recommended by the nominated board member on the Strategic Pillar *Support Training and Faculty Growth* where appropriate.
- Prepare the Expression of Interest (EOI) documentation and process regarding the GA GQS Coordinator position.
- Support the GA Administration Officer to conduct the EOI process.
- Endorse the GA GQS Coordinator as determined by the GA Board as a result of the assessment of the EOI process.
- Endorse the GQS Co-Verifying Team recommendation as presented to the GA Board by the nominated GA board member.
- GA will inform WGI of the members of the GA GQS sub-committee and send a copy of co-verification/re-co-verification report when finalised to WGI.

GQS Subcommittee will:

- Work collaboratively with GA GQS nominated Board member and GA GQS Coordinator to promote the GQS process nationally.
- Report directly to the nominated GA Board member via the GA GQS Coordinator at every GA Board meeting (where activity has occurred) outlining the GA GQS subcommittee activity.
- Collaborate with the GQS subcommittee in order to endorse all strategic directions as recommended and where appropriate.
- Where possible, a representative of the GA GQS subcommittee will attend the monthly WGI-GQS subcommittee zoom meetings to keep abreast of international trends and to pass on any GA GQS developments.

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GA GQS Board Endorsed Coordinator will:

- Support the endorsed GA GQS Coordinator.
- Work collaboratively with the GA GQS Subcommittee.
- Work collaboratively with interested schools to assist in the procedure required to achieve GQS certification.
- Provide a written report at each GA Board meeting (where activity has occurred) to the nominated GA Board member.
- Work with the nominated GA Board member to form a Co-Verifying Team to conduct the GA GQS accreditation process.
- Keep in regular contact with any GA GQS and any aspiring schools.
- Provide relevant information for the GA GQS webpage.

ENDORSEMENT PHASE

GA GQS Accreditation Process

- The GA GQS Coordinator, (if on the co-verifying team) or nominated personnel on the co-verifying team will provide the team's proposed recommendation to the participating school principal, informing the principal that the recommendation will be sent to the GA Board for endorsement prior to public announcement.
- The President of the GA Board will send a follow up letter of congratulations with the final report to the principal of the school with a certificate.
- The GA Board will make a public announcement of congratulations via social media when the proposed endorsement is official; the school may also make this announcement at that time.
- The GA Board will advise WGI through the GQS subcommittee that a school has been co-verified as a GA GQS and a copy of the report will be also sent.

FURTHER REFERENCE

This policy shall be included in the Induction Package provided to new Board directors.

A copy of this policy shall be available for reference in Board meetings.

Any point of dispute in this policy shall be resolved by the President and the nominated GA GQS Board subcommittee member working on the GA Strategic Pillar Support Training and Faculty Growth subcommittee.

RELATED DOCUMENTS

- GA GQS Procedure
- Any other relevant co-verification documentation

REVIEW

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