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**EDUCATION (SCHOOL CURRICULUM P-10)
REGULATION 1997**

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PART 1—PRELIMINARY

Short title

1. This regulation may be cited as the *Education (School Curriculum P-10) Regulation 1997*.

Commencement

2. This regulation commences on 14 February 1997.

Definitions

3. In this regulation—

“education provider” means—

- (a) the chief executive; or
- (b) the Queensland Catholic Education Commission; or
- (c) the Association of Independent Schools of Queensland Inc.

“parent groups” means all of the following entities—

- (a) Queensland Council of Parents and Citizens’ Associations Incorporated;
- (b) Federation of Parents and Friends Associations of Catholic Schools, Queensland;
- (c) Independent Parents and Friends Council of Queensland.

PART 2—MATTERS ABOUT COUNCIL MEETINGS

Notice of council meetings

4. The chairperson of the council calls a meeting by giving written notice of the time and place of the meeting to each of the members at least 7 days before the day of the meeting.

Quorum for meeting of council

5. The number of members of the council required to constitute a quorum is—

- (a) if the number of members at the time of the meeting is an even number—half the number of members; or
- (b) if the number of members at the time of the meeting is an odd number—the whole number next higher than half the number of members.

PART 3—SYLLABUS ADVISORY COMMITTEES**Requirements about membership of syllabus advisory committees**

6.(1) Each syllabus advisory committee established by the council¹ must include the following persons—

- (a) 5 persons nominated by the chief executive—
 - (i) 1 of whom must be a public service officer employed in the department; and
 - (ii) 4 of whom must be practising teachers whom the chief executive considers to have expertise in the particular subjects for which the committee is established;
- (b) 2 persons nominated by the Queensland Catholic Education Commission, 1 of whom must be a practising teacher whom the commission considers to have expertise in the particular subjects for which the committee is established;
- (c) 2 persons nominated by the Association of Independent Schools of Queensland Inc., 1 of whom must be a practising teacher whom the association considers to have expertise in the particular subjects for which the committee is established;

¹ Under section 30(1) of the Act, the council may establish syllabus advisory committees to ‘the extent the council considers it necessary or convenient for effectively and efficiently performing its functions in relation to P-10 syllabuses’.

- (d) 1 person nominated by the parent groups who, at the time of appointment by the council, is a parent of a student currently attending a year from preschool to year 10 at a State educational institution or other school in Queensland.

(2) To remove any doubt, it is declared that subsection (1) does not limit the council's powers to appoint other persons to be members of syllabus advisory committees.

Nomination by education providers

7.(1) A nomination by an education provider must be obtained by the council asking the education provider, by written notice, to nominate persons as mentioned in section 6(1)(a), (b) or (c) by a time stated in the notice.

(2) If the education provider does not, within the time stated in the notice, nominate a person or persons for appointment—

- (a) the council may appoint a person or persons to a syllabus advisory committee as the nominee or nominees of the education provider; and
- (b) a person appointed is taken to have been nominated by the education provider under section 6(1).

(3) In appointing a person as the nominee of an education provider, the council must appoint a person whom it considers is suitably qualified for appointment as the nominee of the education provider.

Nominations by parent groups

8.(1) A nomination by the parent groups must be obtained by the chairperson of the council arranging a meeting of the representatives of each of the parent groups to agree on a nominee for appointment.

(2) The meeting may be held by telephone, closed circuit television or another form of communication.

(3) If the representatives of each of the parent groups do not agree on a nominee for appointment at the meeting—

- (a) the council may appoint a person to a syllabus advisory

committee as the nominee of the parent groups; and

- (b) the person appointed is taken to have been nominated by the parent groups under section 6(1).

(4) In appointing a person as the nominee of the parent groups, the council must appoint a person whom it considers is suitably qualified for the appointment as the nominee of the parent groups.

Chairpersons of syllabus advisory committees

9. For each syllabus advisory committee, the council must appoint a member of the committee to be the chairperson of the committee.

Removal of certain members of syllabus advisory committee

10.(1) This section applies to a member of a syllabus advisory committee nominated under section 6(1).

(2) Before the council decides to remove the member from the syllabus advisory committee, the council must give written notice to the member and the education provider, or the parent groups, that nominated the person—

- (a) about the council's intention to remove the member from the committee; and
- (b) inviting the member and the provider or groups to make a written submission to the council, within a time stated in the notice, about removing the member.

ENDNOTES

1. Made by the Governor in Council on 13 February 1997.
2. Notified in the gazette on 14 February 1997.
3. Laid before the Legislative Assembly on . . .
4. The administering agency is the Department of Education.