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Norfolk Island Teacher Consultative Committee – Communique #3

The Committee met on Thursday 16 September to continue discussions on the key issues of concern to the teaching staff and broader school community in relation to the transition from NSW at the conclusion of the 2021 school year. Discussions focused on professional development and other support required for the teaching staff during transition to a new provider.

Officials from Queensland, NSW and the Commonwealth confirmed that they continue to meet regularly to discuss transition related employment arrangements for Norfolk Island Central School including issues such as leave portability, allowances, role descriptions, superannuation and workforce planning and recruitment. The Committee was provided with an update on work underway to provide clarification to staff on these important matters.

Queensland officials provided further details about current employment arrangements for teachers in Queensland in response to questions raised by NICS staff and agreed to share a list of key Queensland policies related to schooling.

The Commonwealth confirmed funding arrangements that will be in place over the transition period and assured the Committee that funding to NICS will remain stable and responsive to the ongoing needs of the school.

The next meeting will be held on Thursday 23 September 2021.

Sarah Vandenbroek

Chair – Norfolk Island Teacher Consultative Committee