

## MINUTES

## Meeting No. 57

### 24 January 2011

**Present:** 

Dr J.M. Woollard, MLA (Chairman) Mr P. Abetz, MLA (Deputy Chair) Ms L.L. Baker, MLA Mr I.C. Blayney, MLA Mr P.B Watson, MLA

Apologies:

### **1** Meeting of the Committee

The Education and Health Standing Committee met at 9am at Room 2, Level 1, 11 Harvest Terrace, West Perth.

### 2 Minutes

Minutes No. 56 of 24 November 2010, having been circulated, were confirmed.

### 3 Correspondence

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3.1 Letter advising of new inquiry into Franchising Bill 2010 from Dr Mike Nahan, Chair, Economics and Industry Standing Committee, received on 1 December 2010.

- 3.2 Letter advising of progress of TGA application by Fresh Start Recovery Programme from Mr Pio Cesarin, Head, Office of Medicines Authorisation, Therapeutic Goods Administration, received on 6 December 2010.
- 3.3 Annual Report 2009-10 of Chief Operating Officer from Mr Patrick Walker, Director General, Department for Indigenous Affairs, received on 10 December 2010.
- 3.4 CD with audit of financial data for 2009-10 from Mr Khim Harris, Executive Officer, Fresh Start Recovery Programme, received on 14 December 2010.
- 3.5 Email with information on DAO data sources from Ms Julia Knapton, Acting Director Policy Strategy & Information, Drug and Alcohol Office, received on 15 December 2010.
- 3.6 Letter with response to Committee report recommendations from Hon Dr Kim Hames, Minister for Health, received on 11 January 2011.

Resolution: Committee resolved to note the inwards correspondence.

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- 3.7 Letter sent to Australian missions in London, Geneva, Paris, Brussels and Stockholm signed by the Clerk notifying them of European trip and seeking assistance, sent 1 December 2010.
- 3.8 Letter with request for information on Report recommendations to Hon Dr Graham Jacobs, Minister for Mental Health, sent 1 December 2010.
- 3.9 Letter to Mr Neal Guard, Executive Director DAO, with questions on the State's drug treatment data, sent 12 January 2011.

### 4 Business

4.1 Inquiry into the Adequacy and Appropriateness of Prevention and Treatment Services for Alcohol and Illicit Drug Problems in Western Australia

**Resolved:** Chairman to write to Mr Neal Guard, Executive Director DAO, seeking data on the State's methadone treatment programs.

**Resolved:** Staff to check the availability for the Director General of the Department of Indigenous Affairs to attend a hearing on 23 February.

**Resolved:** Members Mr Ian Blayney, Mr Peter Watson and Ms Lisa Baker wished it noted that they are opposed to the Chairman's son participating in Committee activities in Europe.

**Resolved:** Press release to be sent on Committee schedule of witnesses during its travel to Europe.

### 5 Other Business

### 6 Adjournment

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# **MINUTES**

## Meeting No. 58

### 16 February 2011

	Dr J.M. Woollard, MLA (Chairman)
Present:	Mr P. Abetz, MLA (Deputy Chair)
	Mr I.C. Blayney, MLA
	Mr P.B Watson, MLA

Apologies: Ms L.L. Baker, MLA

### 1 Meeting of the Committee

The Education and Health Standing Committee met at 9.40am at Room 2, Level 1, 11 Harvest Terrace, West Perth.

### 2 Minutes

Minutes No. 57 of 24 January 2011, having been circulated, were confirmed.

### 3 Correspondence

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3.1 Email from Ms Sharyn Snowball, received on 25 January 2011.

**Resolved:** Committee resolved for the Chairman to contact Ms Snowball's local member, Ms Rita Saffioti, about her email.

- 3.2 *Report on Government Services 2011* from the Steering Committee for the Review of Government Service Provision, received on 31 January 2011.
- 3.3 Letter in response to Committee's request for information on Report recommendations from Hon Ms Helen Morton MLC, Minister for Mental Health, received on 1 February 2011.
- 3.4 Letter in response to Committee's request for information on Report recommendations from Hon Mr John Castrilli, Minister for Citizenship and Multicultural Interests, received on 4 February 2011.
- 3.5 Letter in response to Committee's request for information on the provisions of Section 69 (8a) of the *Liquor Control Act 1988* from Dr Tarun Weeramanthri, Executive Director Public Health DOH, received on 8 February 2011.
- 3.6 Letter in response to Committee's request for information on methadone and suboxone/subutex from Mr Neal Guard, Executive Director DAO, received on 9 February 2011.
- 3.7 Email seeking Committee transcript from Ms Leah Broderick, Events and Partnerships Coordinator, Commissioner for Children and Young People WA, received on 9 February 2011.
- 3.8 Email seeking information on hearing from Ms Jacqui Herring, Principal Policy Officer - Affordable Housing Policy, Department of Housing, received on 14 February 2011.
- 3.9 Letter in response to Committee's request for information on Report recommendations from Hon Ms Robyn McSweeney MLC, Minister for Child Protection; Community Services; and Youth, received on 15 February 2011.

**Resolved:** Committee resolved to invite Hon Ms Robyn McSweeney MLC, Minister for Child Protection; Community Services; and Youth to a Committee meeting in April 2011.

**Resolved:** Committee resolved to note the inwards correspondence.

### OUT

- 3.10 Letter to Mr Graham Searle, Director General Department of Housing confirming hearing details, sent 25 January 2011.
- 3.11 Media release on schedule for Committee research trip to Europe, sent 25 January 2011.
- 3.12 Email to Ms Sharyn Snowball, sent on 27 January 2011.
- 3.13 Letter to Hon Ms Helen Morton MLC, Minister for Mental Health confirming hearing details, sent 28 January 2011.
- 3.14 Email to Ms Jacqui Herring, Principal Policy Officer Affordable Housing Policy, Department of Housing, sent on 14 February 2011.

3.15 Email to Ms Leah Broderick, Events and Partnerships Coordinator, Commissioner for Children and Young People WA, sent on 14 February 2011.

#### 4 **Business**

### 4.1 Inquiry into the Adequacy and Appropriateness of Prevention and Treatment Services for Alcohol and Illicit Drug Problems in Western Australia

**Resolved:** Committee adopted Chapters One, Two and Three of the draft interim report on the Kimberley.

**Resolved:** Staff to write to Drug and Alcohol Office about their use of blood tests for addicts receiving treatment in Western Australia.

**Resolved:** The Committee will provide the Drug and Alcohol Office with a copy of the final draft of the interim report on illicit drugs for a period of a week and consider any suggested changes as part of its adoption process.

**Resolved:** The Committee will write to all State government departments about their direct costs associated with dealing with issues arising from the consumption of alcohol.

**Resolved:** The Chairman will prepare a media release on the outcomes of its research trip to Europe.

**Resolved:** Committee thanked the staff, Dr Worth and Ms Roberts, for their excellent efforts in planning and conducting the Committee's research trip to Europe.

### 5 Other Business

6 Adjournment

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## **MINUTES**

## Meeting No. 59

### 21 February 2011

	Dr J.M. Woollard, MLA (Chairman)
Present:	Mr P. Abetz, MLA (Deputy Chair)
	Mr P.B Watson, MLA

Apologies: Ms L.L. Baker, MLA Mr I.C. Blayney, MLA

### **1** Meeting of the Committee

The Education and Health Standing Committee met at 11am at Room 1, Level 1, 11 Harvest Terrace, West Perth.

### 2 Minutes

Minutes No. 58 of 16 February 2011, having been circulated, were deferred.

### 3 Correspondence

Deferred.

### 4 Business

4.1 Inquiry into the Adequacy and Appropriateness of Prevention and Treatment Services for Alcohol and Illicit Drug Problems in Western Australia

### 5 Public Hearing

11am- Mr Grahame Searle, Director General, Department of Housing

Mr Steve Parry, General Manager, Service Delivery, Department of Housing

Mr Greg Cash, Director, Affordable Housing Policy, Department of Housing

Mr Peter Londsale, Director, Housing Programs, Department of Housing

Mr Graeme Jones, Acting Executive Director, Aboriginal Housing Services, Department of Housing

### 6 Adjournment

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### **MINUTES**

### Meeting No. 60

### 23 February 2011

Present:

Dr J.M. Woollard, MLA (Chairman) Mr P. Abetz, MLA (Deputy Chair) (until 11am) Ms L.L. Baker, MLA Mr I.C. Blayney, MLA Mr P.B Watson, MLA

Apologies:

### 1 Meeting of the Committee

The Education and Health Standing Committee met at 8.45am at Room 1, Level 1, 11 Harvest Terrace, West Perth.

### 2 Minutes

Minutes No. 58 of 16 February 2011 and No. 59 of 21 February 2011, having been circulated, were confirmed.

### 3 Correspondence

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3.1 Letter in response to Committee's request for information on *Healthy Child-Healthy State* Report recommendations from Hon Dr Elizabeth Constable, Minister for Education, received on 18 February 2011.

- 3.2 Letter in response to Committee's request for information on *Children Missing Out* Report recommendations from Hon Dr Elizabeth Constable, Minister for Education, received on 18 February 2011.
- 3.3 Letter to replace earlier one from Mr Graham Searle, Director General Department of Housing, received on 21 February 2011.

**Resolved:** Committee resolved to note the inwards correspondence.

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- 3.4 Letter to Australian Ambassadors to Belgium, France, Sweden, United Nations thanking them for their assistance to the Committee, sent 16 February 2011.
- 3.5 Letter to Mr David MacLennan, State Director DFAT, thanking him for the assistance to the Committee provided by DFAT staff, sent 16 February 2011
- 3.6 Letter to Ms Kerry Sanderson, WA Agent General, thanking her for her assistance to the Committee, sent 16 February 2011.
- 3.7 Email to Mr Neil Guard, Executive Director Drug and Alcohol Office, seeking data on DAO clients undertaking treatment programs for their addiction to heroin and whether they have regular blood tests, sent 16 February 2011.
- 3.8 Letter to Hon Mrs Robyn McSweeney, Minister for Community Services inviting her to a Committee hearing, sent 17 February 2011.
- 3.9 Media release with information on witnesses at Committee hearings on 21 and 23 February, sent 18 February 2011.
- 3.10 Media release with information on Committee trip to Europe, sent 18 February 2011.
- 3.11 Letter to Hon Ms Shona Robinson MSP thanking her for hosting the Committee in Edinburg, sent 18 February 2011.
- 3.12 Letter to Hon Mr Fergus Ewing MSP thanking him for hosting the Committee in Edinburg, sent 18 February 2011.
- 3.13 Letter to Mr Etienne Apaire, Ms Christine Grahame MSP and Ms Despina Spanou thanking them for appearing at Committee briefings in Europe, sent 18 February 2011.

#### 4 Business

- 4.1 Inquiry into the Adequacy and Appropriateness of Prevention and Treatment Services for Alcohol and Illicit Drug Problems in Western Australia
- **Resolved:** Committee resolved not to meet between 1-2pm on Thursday 24 February 2011.

#### 5 Public Hearings

9am- Mr Kim Snowball, Director General, Department of Health

Mr Philip Aylward, Chief Executive Child and Adolescent Health Services, Department of Health

10.30am- Mr Patrick Walker, Director General, Department of Indigenous Affairs

Mr Cliff Weeks, Deputy Director General Corporate Strategy, Department of Indigenous Affairs

Mr Brian Wilkinson, Chief Operating Officer, Aboriginal Affairs Coordinating Committee

#### 6 Other Business

#### 6.1 Tabling of 2010 Committee minutes

Resolved: Committee resolved to table its minutes for 2010.

#### 6.2 Correspondence from Minister for Health

**Resolved:** Committee resolved to publish on its web site the letter received on 11 January 2011 from the Minister for Health.

#### 7 Adjournment

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### MINUTES

### Meeting No. 61

### 23 February 2011

Present:

Dr J.M. Woollard, MLA (Chairman) Mr P. Abetz, MLA (Deputy Chair) Ms L.L. Baker, MLA (until 6pm) Mr I.C. Blayney, MLA Mr P.B Watson, MLA

Apologies:

#### **1** Meeting of the Committee

The Education and Health Standing Committee met at 4.05pm at the Legislative Assembly Committee Room, Parliament House, West Perth.

### 2 Minutes

Minutes No. 60 of 23 February 2011 were deferred.

### 3 Correspondence

Correspondence was deferred.

#### 4 Business

4.1 Inquiry into the Adequacy and Appropriateness of Prevention and Treatment Services for Alcohol and Illicit Drug Problems in Western Australia

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**Resolved:** Committee adopted the Kimberley interim report, except for the following three sections that need to be amended:

- page 125- pay and accommodation for non government organisations.
- page 141- new material on homemaker programs.
- page 155- material on the Ford Report.

#### 5 Other Business

#### 6 Adjournment

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### **MINUTES**

### Meeting No. 62

### 24 February 2011

Present:	Dr J.M. Woollard, MLA (Chairman) Ms L.L. Baker, MLA Mr I.C. Blayney, MLA Mr P.B Watson, MLA
Apologies:	Mr P. Abetz, MLA (Deputy Chair)

#### **1** Meeting of the Committee

The Education and Health Standing Committee met at 1.05pm at the Legislative Assembly Committee Room, Level 1, Parliament House, West Perth.

### 2 Minutes

Minutes No. 60 of 23 February 2011 and Minutes No. 61 of 23 February 2011 were deferred.

#### 3 Correspondence

Deferred.

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#### 4 Business

4.1 Inquiry into the Adequacy and Appropriateness of Prevention and Treatment Services for Alcohol and Illicit Drug Problems in Western Australia

### 5 Other Business

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**Resolved:** Committee resolved that:

1. the Hon Dr Graham Jacobs be provided with the Committee's current draft interim Kimberley Report and relevant documents for his confidential consideration and advice.

2. the Hon Dr Graham Jacobs be invited to meetings of the Committee until the tabling of the interim Report.

### 6 Adjournment

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# MINUTES

## Meeting No. 63

15 March 2011

**Present:** 

Dr J.M. Woollard, MLA (Chairman) Mr P. Abetz, MLA (Deputy Chair) Ms L.L. Baker, MLA (from 12.45pm) Mr I.C. Blayney, MLA Mr P.B Watson, MLA (from 12.25pm)

### Apologies:

### **1** Meeting of the Committee

The Education and Health Standing Committee met at 12.05pm at Room 1, Level 1, 11 Harvest Terrace, West Perth.

### 2 Minutes

Minutes No. 60 and No. 61 of 23 February 2011 and No. 62 of 24 February 2011, having been circulated, were confirmed.

### 3 Correspondence

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3.1 Memo on media consultancy services from the Hon Mr Grant Woodhams MLA, Speaker, received on 23 February 2011.

**Resolved:** Committee resolved to accept the offer of the Speaker and request the assistance of media consultancy services when tabling its interim report.

- 3.2 Email with information on suicides in Balgo from Mr Wes Morris, KALACC Coordinator, received on 24 February 2011.
- 3.3 Letter in response to Committee's request for information on methadone and suboxone/subutex data from Mr Neil Guard, Executive Director Drug and Alcohol Office and Dr Tarun Weeramanthri, Executive Director Public Health, received on 8 March 2011.
- 3.4 Email with information on news item from Dr Eric Visser, Pain Medicine Specialist and Anaesthetist, received on 8 March 2011.
- 3.5 Email on media consultancy services from Ms Wendy Pryer, received on 8 March 2011.
- 3.6 Letter of acknowledgement from Ms Kerry Sanderson AO, Agent General, received on 10 March 2011.
- 3.7 Letter with annual report from Mr John Ryan, CEO of Anex, received on 15 March 2011.
- 3.8 Letter with research reports from Mr Robert Okunnu, Head of Parliamentary Relations, British Medical Association, received on 15 March 2011.

**Resolved:** Committee resolved to note the inwards correspondence.

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- 3.9 Letter to Mr Patrick Walker, Director General Department of Indigenous Affairs, with questions on notice from hearing, sent 28 February 2011.
- 3.10 Email in reply to Dr Visser, sent 8 March 2011.
- 3.11 Email to Ms Wendy Pryer, with information on report tabling process, sent 8 March 2011.
- 3.12 Media release with witnesses information for Committee hearing on 16 March, sent 15 March 2011.

### 4 Business

### 4.1 Inquiry into the Adequacy and Appropriateness of Prevention and Treatment Services for Alcohol and Illicit Drug Problems in Western Australia

**Resolved:** Committee resolved to thank Ms Wendy Pryer for her assistance in providing media consultancy services for the tabling of its interim report.

**Resolved:** Committee adopted the Kimberley interim report's three new sections:

- page 115- material on the Ford Report.
- page 125- pay and accommodation for non government organisations.
- page 141- new material on homemaker programs.

5 Other Business

6 Adjournment

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# MINUTES

## Meeting No. 64

16 March 2011

**Present:** 

Dr J.M. Woollard, MLA (Chairman) Mr P. Abetz, MLA (Deputy Chair) Ms L.L. Baker, MLA (from 9am) Mr I.C. Blayney, MLA Mr P.B Watson, MLA Hon Dr G.G. Jacobs, MLA (from 8.45am)

### **Apologies:**

### 1 Meeting of the Committee

The Education and Health Standing Committee met at 8.35am at Room 1, Level 1, 11 Harvest Terrace, West Perth.

### 2 Minutes

Minutes No. 63 of 15 March 2011, having been circulated, were confirmed.

### 3 Correspondence

### OUT

3.1 Media release for tabling of Committee report on 17 March, sent 15 March 2011.

### 4 Business

### 4.1 Inquiry into the Adequacy and Appropriateness of Prevention and Treatment Services for Alcohol and Illicit Drug Problems in Western Australia

**Resolved:** Committee adopted the Kimberley interim report after including a new finding and recommendation in regard to the lack of housing.

### 5 Public hearings

8.30am- Hon Dr Liz Constable, Minister for Education

Ms Sharyn O'Neill, Director General, Department of Education

Mr David Axworthy, Acting Deputy Director General, Schools, Department of Education

Ms Juanita Healy, Acting Executive Director, Statewide Services, Department of Education

10.30am-Hon Mr John Castrilli, Minister for Citizenship and Multicultural Interests

Ms Jennifer Mathews, Director General, Department of Local Government

Ms Maria Osman, Executive Director, Office of Multicultural Interests

### 6 Other Business

**Resolved:** Committee agreed to place the Minister for Education and the Minister for Citizenship and Multicultural Interests additional response to previous Committee reports on the Committee's web site.

### 7 Adjournment

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## **MINUTES**

### Meeting No. 65

### 23 March 2011

**Present:** 

Dr J.M. Woollard, MLA (Chairman) (from 10am) Mr P. Abetz, MLA (Deputy Chair) Ms L.L. Baker, MLA Mr I.C. Blayney, MLA Mr P.B Watson, MLA Hon Dr G.G. Jacobs, MLA

### **Apologies:**

### **1** Meeting of the Committee

The Education and Health Standing Committee met at 9.50am at Room 1, Level 1, 11 Harvest Terrace, West Perth.

### 2 Minutes

Minutes No. 64 of 16 March 2011, having been circulated, were confirmed.

### 3 Correspondence

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3.1 Copy of the Productivity Commission's 2010 Indigenous Expenditure Report, received on 16 March 2011.

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- 3.2 Media release for tabling of Committee report on 17 March 2011, sent 17 March 2011.
- 3.3 SO 277 (1) direction letters for Committee report to the Premier and nine ministers, sent 17 March 2011.
- 3.4 Media release for Committee hearing on 23 March 2011, sent 22 March 2011.
- 3.5 Letter to Hon Mr John Castrilli, Minister for Local Government, with draft transcript from hearing on 16 March 2011, sent 22 March 2011.
- 3.6 Letter to Hon Dr Liz Constable, Minister for Education, with Questions on Notice from hearing on 16 March 2011, sent 22 March 2011.

#### 4 Business

### 4.1 Inquiry into the Adequacy and Appropriateness of Prevention and Treatment Services for Alcohol and Illicit Drug Problems in Western Australia

**Resolved:** Committee agreed to hold a hearing at 12pm on Wednesday 31 March 2011 with Professor John Toumbourou.

**Resolved:** Committee agreed to release details of its correspondence with the Therapeutic Goods Administration during the hearing with the Minister for Mental Health.

**Resolved:** Committee agreed to release details of its correspondence with the Department of Housing on housing issues in the Kimberley to the Community Development and Justice Standing Committee.

**Resolved:** Committee expressed its disappointment at the way the Chairman handled the press conference by not expressing the key issues of the Kimberley interim report.

### 5 Public hearings

10am- Hon Ms Helen Morton, Minister for Mental Health

Mr Eddie Bartnik, Commissioner, Mental Health Commission

### **6 Other Business**

**Resolved:** Committee agreed to place the Minister for Mental Health's additional response to previous Committee reports on the Committee's web site.

7 Adjournment

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# **MINUTES**

## Meeting No. 66

### 30 March 2011

	Dr J.M. Woollard, MLA (Chairman)
Present:	Mr P. Abetz, MLA (Deputy Chair)

Apologies: Ms L.L. Baker, MLA Mr P.B Watson, MLA Hon Dr G.G. Jacobs, MLA

### 1 Meeting of the Committee

The Education and Health Standing Committee met at 1.08pm at Room 1, Level 1, 11 Harvest Terrace, West Perth.

### 2 Minutes

Minutes No. 65 of 23 March 2011, were deferred.

### 3 Correspondence

Deferred.

### 4 Business

**4.1** Inquiry into the Adequacy and Appropriateness of Prevention and Treatment Services for Alcohol and Illicit Drug Problems in Western Australia

### 5 Public hearing

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1.08pm- Professor John Toumbourou, School of Psychology, Deakin University

### 6 Other Business

Nil

### 7 Adjournment

DR J.M. WOOLLARD, MLA CHAIRMAN

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# **MINUTES**

## Meeting No. 67

### 6 April 2011

Present:Dr J.M. Woollard, MLA (Chairman)Mr P. Abetz, MLA (Deputy Chair)Hon Dr G.G. Jacobs, MLA (from 9.50am)Mr P.B Watson, MLA

Apologies: Ms L.L. Baker, MLA

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1 Meeting of the Committee

The Education and Health Standing Committee met at 9.40am at the Legislative Assembly Committee Room, Level 1, Parliament House, West Perth.

### 2 Minutes

Minutes No. 65 of 23 March 2011 and Minutes No. 66 of 30 March 2011, having been circulated, were confirmed.

### 3 Correspondence

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3.1 Letter on the *Liquor Control Act 1988* from Dr Karl O'Callaghan, Police Commissioner, received on 4 April 2011.

**Resolved:** Committee resolved to note the inwards correspondence.

### OUT

- 3.2 Draft hearing transcript of Hon Mrs Helen Morton, Minister for Mental Health, sent on 25 March 2011.
- 3.3 Draft hearing transcript of Mr Eddie Bartnik, Mental Health Commissioner, sent on 25 March 2011.

### 4 **Business**

**4.1** Inquiry into the Adequacy and Appropriateness of Prevention and Treatment Services for Alcohol and Illicit Drug Problems in Western Australia

**Resolved:** That the Chair would seek approval from the Leader of the House for the Committee to meet from 4 to 8pm during private members business on 13 April to adopt the interim illicit drug report.

**Resolved:** That the Committee will meet on 16 May from 12 noon to 3pm to adopt the interim illicit drug report.

**Resolved:** That the Chair will discuss with Professor Steve Allsop at Curtin University the most up-to-date statistics on the consumption of illicit drugs in Western Australia.

**Resolved:** That the Chair will discuss with the Minister for Mental Health, the Hon Mrs Helen Morton, the time frames and conditions on the recently announced new funding to the Fresh Start Programme, particularly in relation to the completion of the three audit requirements.

### 5 Other Business

**Resolved**: That the Committee write to the Vice Chancellors of Perth universities (UWA, Curtin, Murdoch) who have recently announced that their campuses will become smoke-free, and offer them the Committee's appreciation and congratulations.

### 6 Adjournment

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# **MINUTES**

## Meeting No. 68

### 13 April 2011

	Dr J.M. Woollard, MLA (Chairman) (until 6.05pm)
Present:	Mr P. Abetz, MLA (Deputy Chair)
	Hon Dr G.G. Jacobs, MLA
	Ms L.L. Baker, MLA

Apologies: Mr P.B Watson, MLA

### 1 Meeting of the Committee

The Education and Health Standing Committee met at 4pm in the Legislative Assembly Committee Room, Level 1, Parliament House, West Perth.

### 2 Minutes

Minutes No. 67 of 6 April 2011, having been circulated, were confirmed.

### 3 Correspondence

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- 3.1 Copy of draft interim report to Mr Neal Guard, Executive Director, Drug and Alcohol Office, sent 6 April 2011.
- 3.2 Letter with questions on notice from hearing to Mr Kim Snowball, Director General, Department of Health, sent 6 April 2011.

3.3 Letter with request to meet during private members business to Hon Mr Rob Johnson, Minister for Police, sent 6 April 2011.

**Resolved:** The Chairman would prepare a draft letter to the Federal Minister for Health, Hon Ms Nicola Roxon, and other Federal MPs on the proposal for plain packaging of cigarettes for the Committee's consideration.

### 4 Business

**4.1** Inquiry into the Adequacy and Appropriateness of Prevention and Treatment Services for Alcohol and Illicit Drug Problems in Western Australia

**Resolved:** The Committee adopted the Executive Summary and Chapters One to Four of the interim illicit drug report.

**Resolved:** The Chairman will prepare a summary of her meeting on current drug trends with Professor Steve Allsop of NDRI for the Committee's consideration.

### 5 Other Business

6 Adjournment

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# MINUTES

## Meeting No. 69

### 16 May 2011

	Dr J.M. Woollard, MLA (Chairman)
Present:	Mr P. Abetz, MLA (Deputy Chair)
	Hon Dr G.G. Jacobs, MLA

Apologies: Ms L.L. Baker, MLA Mr P.B Watson, MLA

### 1 Meeting of the Committee

The Education and Health Standing Committee met at 12.05pm at Room 1, Level 1, 11 Harvest Terrace, West Perth.

### 2 Minutes

Minutes No. 68 of 13 April 2011, having been circulated, were confirmed.

### 3 Correspondence

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- 3.1 Letter with transcript amendments from Hon Dr Elizabeth Constable, Minister for Education, received on 18 April 2011.
- 3.2 Fax with transcript amendments from Mr Kim Snowball, Director General of Health, received on 19 April 2011.

- 3.3 Letter with issue paper on alcohol from Ms Michelle Scott, Commissioner for Children and Young People, received on 27 April 2011.
- 3.4 Letter with comments on alcohol from Professor Alan Robson, Vice-Chancellor of UWA, received on 28 April 2011.
- 3.5 Email with Clinical Senate's position statement on alcohol from Ms Barbara O'Neill, Secretariat, Clinical Senate of Western Australia, received on 13 May 2011.
- 3.6 Letter noting Committee report from Hon Dr Elizabeth Constable, Minister for Education, received on 16 May 2011.

**Resolved:** Committee resolved to accept the Clinical Senate's position statement on alcohol as a submission to the *Inquiry into the Adequacy and Appropriateness of Prevention and Treatment Services for Alcohol and Illicit Drug Problems in Western Australia.* 

**Resolved:** Committee resolved to note the inwards correspondence.

### Out

3.7 Letter of congratulation in regard to smoking bans to Vice Chancellors of University of Western Australia, Edith Cowan University and Curtin University, sent 19 April 2011.

#### 4 **Business**

# 4.1 Inquiry into the Adequacy and Appropriateness of Prevention and Treatment Services for Alcohol and Illicit Drug Problems in Western Australia

**Resolved:** The Committee adopted Chapters Six and Seven of the interim illicit drug report.

**Resolved:** The Chairman agreed to circulate information from the Drug and Alcohol Office on the progress of the Fresh Start Recovery Programme in completing the requirements associated with a Government grant.

**Resolved:** Committee resolved to provide on a confidential basis a draft of its illicit drug interim report to Mr Ian Blayney, MLA to assist him prepare a statement when the report is tabled.

**Resolved:** Committee resolved to circulate to all members a copy of the section of the draft alcohol interim report on FASD.

### 5 Other Business

### 5.1 Committee finances

**Resolved:** Committee accepted a financial report from the Principal Research Officer showing that its trip to the Kimberley was \$1,698.86 under the approved budget and the European trip was \$18,052.44 under the approved budget.

### 5.2 Move of PRO

**Resolved:** Committee accepted a verbal report from the Principal Research Officer on plans for his move to the Community Development and Justice Standing Committee.

### 6 Adjournment

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DR DAVID WORTH PRINCIPAL RESEARCH OFFICER



## **MINUTES**

## Meeting No. 70

18 May 2011

**Present:** 

Dr J.M. Woollard, MLA (Chairman) Mr P. Abetz, MLA (Deputy Chair) Hon Dr G.G. Jacobs, MLA Ms L.L. Baker, MLA (from 9.25am) Mr P.B Watson, MLA

**Apologies:** 

### **1** Meeting of the Committee

The Education and Health Standing Committee met at 9.05am at PSD Conference Room G.39, Parliament House, West Perth.

### 2 Minutes

Minutes No. 69 of 16 May 2011, having been circulated, were confirmed.

### 3 Correspondence

Nil.

### 4 **Business**

# 4.1 Inquiry into the Adequacy and Appropriateness of Prevention and Treatment Services for Alcohol and Illicit Drug Problems in Western Australia

**Resolved:** The Committee adopted Chapter5 (except for recommendations 13 and 14) of the interim illicit drug report.

**Resolved:** The Committee resolved to table its illicit drug interim report on 26 May 2011.

**Resolved:** The Committee resolved to meet on 13 June, 17 June and 20 June 2011 to adopt its final Inquiry report.

**Resolved:** The Committee resolved to table its final Inquiry report on 23 June 2011.

**Resolved:** The Committee resolved to write to the Speaker advising of the Inquiry's revised tabling date of 23 June 2011.

### 5 Other Business

### 6 Adjournment

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DR J.M. WOOLLARD, MLA CHAIRMAN

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## MINUTES

### Meeting No. 71

25 May 2011

Present:	Dr J.M. Woollard, MLA (Chairman) Mr P. Abetz, MLA (Deputy Chair)
	Hon Dr G.G. Jacobs, MLA
	Mr P.B Watson, MLA (from 9.10am)

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Ms L.L. Baker, MLA

### **1** Meeting of the Committee

The Education and Health Standing Committee met at 9am at the Legislative Assembly Committee Room, Level 1, Parliament House, West Perth.

### 2 Minutes

Minutes No. 70 of 18 May 2011, having been circulated, were confirmed.

### 3 Correspondence

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3.1 Letter with questions on notice from Hon Dr Elizabeth Constable, Minister for Education, received on 20 May 2011.

**Resolved:** Committee resolved to note the inwards correspondence.

#### Out

- 3.2 Letter with returned book to Professor McKeganey, University of Glascow, sent on 18 May 2011.
- 3.3 Letter notifying new tabling date to Hon Grant Woodhams MLA, Speaker, sent on 18 May 2011.

**Resolved:** The Committee accepted the draft wording of the letter to the Federal Minister for Health and Aging. It resolved to send a copy to all Federal members of Parliament.

**Resolved:** The Committee resolved to post on its web site the reply to questions on notice from Mr Kim Snowball, Director General of the Department of Health.

### 4 **Business**

# 4.1 Inquiry into the Adequacy and Appropriateness of Prevention and Treatment Services for Alcohol and Illicit Drug Problems in Western Australia

Resolved: The Committee adopted the interim illicit drug report (as amended).

**Resolved:** The Committee resolved to accept a submission from the McCusker Centre for Action on Alcohol and Youth at Curtin University.

### 5 Other Business

The Committee discussed the position of Deputy Chairman.

#### 6 Adjournment

DR J.M. WOOLLARD, MLA CHAIRMAN

DR DAVID WORTH PRINCIPAL RESEARCH OFFICER



## **MINUTES**

## Meeting No. 72

13 June 2011

Present:

Dr J.M. Woollard, MLA (Chairman) Mr P. Abetz, MLA (Deputy Chair) (to 10.50am) Hon Dr G.G. Jacobs, MLA Mr P.B Watson, MLA Ms L.L. Baker, MLA (from 9.35am)

#### **Apologies:**

#### **1** Meeting of the Committee

The Education and Health Standing Committee met at 9am at the Legislative Assembly Committee Office Meeting Room 1, Level 1, 11 Harvest Terrace, West Perth.

#### 2 Minutes

Minutes No. 71 of 25 May 2011, having been circulated, were confirmed.

#### 3 Correspondence

In

3.1 Letter with questions on notice from Mr Kim Snowball, Director General of Health, received on 1 June 2011.

- 3.2 Acknowledgement of receipt of Committee letter from Hon Ms Julie Bishop MHR, received on 1 June 2011.
- 3.3 Email with acknowledgement of receipt of Committee letter from Senator Mr Gary Humphries, received on 4 June 2011.
- 3.4 Telephone call with acknowledgement of receipt of Committee letter from Mr Steve Irons MHR, received on 6 June 2011.
- 3.5 Letter with response to Committee's recommendation from Hon Mr Rob Johnson MLA, Minister for Police, received on 8 June 2011.
- 3.6 Acknowledgement of receipt of Committee letter from Ms Nola Marino MHR, received on 9 June 2011.
- 3.7 Acknowledgement of receipt of Committee letter from Senator Hon Mr Eric Abetz, received on 9 June 2011.
- 3.8 Acknowledgement of receipt of Committee letter from Ms Karen Andrews MHR, received on 9 June 2011.
- 3.9 Acknowledgement of receipt of Committee letter from Hon Mr Christopher Pine MHR, received on 9 June 2011.
- 3.10 Email with decision of Director of Liquor Licensing from Dr Andy Robertson, Deputy Chief Health Officer, Department of Health, received on 9 June 2011.
- 3.11 Acknowledgement of receipt of Committee letter from Senator Hon Ms Penny Wong, Minister for Finance and Deregulation, received on 10 June 2011.
- 3.12 Acknowledgement of receipt of Committee letter from Mr Geoff Lyons MHR, received on 9 June 2011.

**Resolved:** Committee resolved to note the inwards correspondence.

#### Out

- 3.13 Media release announcing the tabling of the Committee's illicit drug interim report, sent on 25 May 2011.
- 3.14 Media release on tabling of illicit drug interim report, sent on 26 May 2011.
- 3.15 Letter seeking a response to the recommendations of the Committee's illicit drug interim report to the Attorney General; Ministers for Corrective Services, Police, and Health; and the Minister representing the Minister for Mental Health, sent on 26 May 2011.
- 3.16 Letter to all Federal MPs on the plain packaging of cigarettes, sent on 30 May 2011.
- 3.17 Letter to witnesses and those who made submissions to the Committee's illicit drug interim report, sent on 10 June 2011.

3.18 Email seeking liquor licensing staffing information to the Police Commissioner, Dr Karl O'Callaghan, sent on 10 June 2011.

#### 4 **Business**

# 4.1 Inquiry into the Adequacy and Appropriateness of Prevention and Treatment Services for Alcohol and Illicit Drug Problems in Western Australia

**Resolved:** Committee adopted Chapters One, Three, Four, Six and Seven and the Executive Summary of the final report on alcohol.

#### 5 Other Business

The Committee discussed possible topics for a future inquiry, including one focusing on FASD, Schools Plus funding and early childhood.

#### 6 Adjournment

Nil

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## **MINUTES**

## Meeting No. 73

### 20 June 2011

Present:Dr J.M. Woollard, MLA (Chairman)Mr P. Abetz, MLA (Deputy Chair) (to 9.05am)Hon Dr G.G. Jacobs, MLAMr P.B Watson, MLA

Apologies: Ms L.L. Baker, MLA

#### 1 Meeting of the Committee

The Education and Health Standing Committee met at 9am at the Legislative Assembly Committee Office Meeting Room 1, Level 1, 11 Harvest Terrace, West Perth.

#### 2 Minutes

Minutes No. 72 of 13 June 2011, having been circulated, were confirmed.

#### 3 Correspondence

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- 3.1 Acknowledgement of receipt of Committee letter from Hon Mr Philip Ruddock MHR, received on 13 June 2011.
- 3.2 Acknowledgement of receipt of Committee letter from Mr Adam Bandt MHR, received on 14 June 2011.

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- 3.3 Acknowledgement of receipt of Committee letter from Mr Ken Wyatt MHR, received on 14 June 2011.
- 3.4 Acknowledgement of receipt of Committee letter from Senator Mr Mathias Cormann, received on 14 June 2011.
- 3.5 Email from Mr Terry Ng, Chief Finance officer Department of Racing, Gaming and Liquor, received on 16 June 2011.
- 3.5 Email from Dr George O'Neil, received on 17 June 2011.

Resolved: Committee resolved to note the inwards correspondence.

#### 4 **Business**

## 4.1 Inquiry into the Adequacy and Appropriateness of Prevention and Treatment Services for Alcohol and Illicit Drug Problems in Western Australia

Resolved: Committee adopted Chapters Two and Five of the final report on alcohol.

Resolved: The Committee adopted the Inquiry's final report on alcohol (as amended).

**Resolved:** Committee resolved to provide on a confidential basis a draft of its alcohol report to Mr Ian Blayney, MLA to assist him prepare a statement when the report is tabled.

**Resolved:** Committee resolved to write to the Speaker and the PPC to request that it reports to Parliament on the process of committees providing an embargoed copy of a committee report to journalists before its tabling.

#### 5 Other Business

#### 6 Adjournment

From 10.40am until 11am.

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DR J.M. WOOLLARD, MLA CHAIRMAN

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## MINUTES

## Meeting No. 74

### 10 August 2011

**Present:** 

Dr J.M. Woollard, MLA (Chairman) Mr P. Abetz, MLA (Deputy Chair) Ms L.L. Baker, MLA Hon Dr G.G. Jacobs, MLA Mr P.B Watson, MLA

Apologies:

#### 1 Meeting of the Committee

The Education and Health Standing Committee met at 10am at the Legislative Assembly Committee Room, Parliament House, West Perth.

#### 2 Minutes

Minutes No. 73 of 20 June 2011, having been circulated, were confirmed.

#### 3 Correspondence

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- 3.1 Acknowledgement of receipt of Committee letter re tobacco plain packaging from:
  - Senator the Hon Bill Heffernan, received on 20 June 2011.
  - Kelvin Thomson MP, received on 21 June 2011.
  - Senator Louise Pratt, received on 21 June 2011.
  - Senator Simon Birmingham, received on 22 June 2011.

- Tony Windsor MP, received 28 June 2011.
- Andrew Wilkie MP, received 29 June 2011.
- Hon Judi Moylan MP, received 1 July 2011.
- Senator Fiona Nash, received 4 July 2011.
- Hon Gary Gray MP, received 12 July 2011.
- Hon Andrew Robb, received 14 July 2011.
- Senator Sue Boyce, received 21 July 2011.
- Hon Dr Craig Emerson, received 22 July 2011.
- Jill Hall MP, received 22 July 2011.
- Senator Rachel Siewert, received 22 July 2011.
- Hon Peter Dutton MP, received 22 July 2011.
- 3.2 Letter from Mr Bernie Foley, Executive Officer of Life Education WA (Inc).
- 3.3 Letter from Mr Grahame Searle, Director General of the Department of Housing WA, containing supplementary information on housing in the Kimberley.
- 3.4 Letter from Mr Robert Hadler, General Manager, Corporate Affairs, Coles, received 29 June 2011.
- 3.5 Letter from Mr John Ryan, CEO of ANEX, regarding recommendation 10 of illicit drug report, received 5 July 2011.
- 3.6 Letter from Hon Christian Porter, Attorney General, in response to Report 10: Alcohol, received 11 July 2011.
- 3.7 Letter from Dr Kim Hames, Deputy Premier, in response to Report 9: Illicit Drugs, recommendation 7. Received 12 July 2011.
- 3.8 Email from Mr Mark Philips, Divers Tavern, Broome. Received 15 July 2011.
- 3.9 Letter from Minister John Day, Minister for Planning; Culture and the Arts; Science and Innovation, in response to Report 10: Alcohol. Received 19 July 2011.
- 3.10 Letter from Hon Christian Porter, Attorney General, in response to Report 9: Illicit Drugs, received 21 July 2011.

**Resolved:** the Committee resolved to note the inwards correspondence.

**Resolved:** the Committee resolved to write to Mr Robert Hadler, Coles, notifying him of the 'Persons Adversely Referred' mechanism.

#### 4 Business

#### 4.1 Inquiry into the Adequacy and Appropriateness of Prevention and Treatment Services for Alcohol and Illicit Drug Problems in Western Australia

Discussion of response to Report 10: Alcohol and media coverage.

Committee members agreed on the need for a media strategy for future report tablings.

**Resolved:** the Committee resolved to compile a short supplementary report to update the Parliament on the statistics released in the 2010 National Drug Strategy Household Survey, to be tabled as soon as possible.

**Resolved:** the Committee resolved to write to interested public health organisations and the alcohol industry, inviting their response to Report 10, prior to the government's response becoming due.

#### 5 Other Business

**5.1** Discussion of the response to the Committee's letter to Federal MPs advocating for the tobacco plain packaging initiative.

**Resolved:** The Committee resolved to contact the WA Health Department regarding their review of the Tobacco Act.

**Resolved:** The Committee resolved to contact Professor Mike Daube regarding the statistics of tobacco use in Western Australia in the 2010 survey.

#### 6 Hearing

10.30am: Public Hearing - Professor Steve Allsop, Director, National Drug Research Institute (NDRI).

#### 7 Next meeting

10am Wednesday 17 August 2011.

Items identified for the agenda of the next meeting include:

- the rotation of the deputy chair position;
- adoption of the supplementary report;

#### 7 Adjournment

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## **MINUTES**

## Meeting No. 75

### 17 August 2011

**Present:** 

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Dr J.M. Woollard, MLA (Chairman) Mr P. Abetz, MLA (Deputy Chair) Ms L.L. Baker, MLA Hon Dr G.G. Jacobs, MLA Mr P.B Watson, MLA

**Apologies:** 

#### **1** Meeting of the Committee

The Education and Health Standing Committee met at 10am at the Legislative Assembly Committee Office, Room 3, Harvest Terrace, West Perth.

#### 2 Minutes

Minutes No. 74 of 10 August 2011, having been circulated, were confirmed.

#### 3 Correspondence

#### 4 **Business**

4.1 Rotation of Deputy Chair position

**Resolved:** the Committee resolved for the position of Deputy Chair to be transferred from the Member for Southern River to the Member for Albany, effective immediately.

**4.2** Government response to Report 8 (Kimberley report).

The Committee's attention was drawn to the statement by the Minister for Racing and Gaming, Mr Waldron, in the Legislative Assembly on 14 June, in response to the Report 8. He reported to the House that a whole-of-government response was still in preparation and he would report to the House on it as soon as possible.

**Resolved:** the Committee resolved to write to Minister Waldron seeking the date for the final response.

#### 4.3 Report 9 (Illicit Drug report)

The Committee resolved to make public and post on the parliamentary website, as appropriate, responses received subsequent to the tabling of Reports 8, 9, and 10.

**4.4** Lunch - David Worth. The Committee decided to have a farewell lunch with Dr David Worth on Thursday 1 September, in the Parliamentary dining room.

# **4.5** Inquiry into the Adequacy and Appropriateness of Prevention and Treatment Services for Alcohol and Illicit Drug Problems in Western Australia.

(a) status update. The Committee discussed the situation in WA in relation to cannabis and the misuse of pharmaceutical drugs. The Committee agreed to conduct further research on these areas to inform the supplementary report. A further area for inquiry is alcohol pricing and consumption rates in Canada.

(b) Alcohol product labelling

**Resolved:** the Committee agreed to accept the HBF report as a submission to the supplementary report.

**Resolved:** the Committee will hold a hearing at its next meeting to investigate the issues around the misuse of pharmaceutical drugs.

**4.6** DVD by Jack P. Shonkoff, MD, Professor of Child Health and development and Founding director of the university-wide Center on the Developing Child at Harvard University.

#### 5 Other Business

#### 6 Next meeting

9.45 am on 31 August 2011.

#### 6 Adjournment

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## MINUTES

## Meeting No. 76

### 18 August 2011

Dr J.M. Woollard, MLA (Chairman) Mr P. Abetz, MLA (Deputy Chair) Hon Dr G.G. Jacobs, MLA

**Apologies:** 

**Present:** 

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Ms L.L. Baker, MLA Mr P.B Watson, MLA

#### 1 Meeting of the Committee

The Education and Health Standing Committee met at 1:45pm at the Aboriginal People's Room, Parliament House, West Perth.

2 Minutes

Deferred.

#### 3 Correspondence

Deferred

#### 4 Business

**4.1** Committee considered a resolution on the advertising by Dan Murphy's for Father's Day.

**Resolved:** The Committee authorises the Chair to issue a media statement condemning the marketing strategy of Dan Murphy's in its exploitation of Father's Day.

#### 5 Next meeting

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9.45 am on 31 August 2011.

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## **MINUTES**

## Meeting No. 77

### 31 August 2011

Present:	Dr J.M. Woollard, MLA (Chair) Hon Dr G.G. Jacobs, MLA Mr P.B Watson, MLA (Deputy Chair)
Apologies:	Mr P. Abetz, MLA

Ms L.L. Baker, MLA

### **1** Meeting of the Committee

The Education and Health Standing Committee met at 9:45am at the Legislative Assembly Committee Room, Parliament House, West Perth.

#### 2 Minutes

Minutes of meeting 75 held on 17 August 2011, having been circulated, were approved.

#### 3 Correspondence

3.1 Acknowledgement of receipt of Committee letter re tobacco plain packaging from:

a) Senator John Williams - Senator for NSW - received 15 August 2011

b) The Hon Nicola Roxon, Minister for Health and Aging - received 12 August 2011

c) Bill Shorten, Assistant Treasurer - received 12 August 2011.

3.2 Letter from Dr M. Nahan, Chair Economics and Industry Standing Committee advising of an Inquiry into Ironbridge Holdings Pty Ltd and other matters regarding residential land and property developments.

3.3 Letter from the Office of the Auditor General providing an update of the progress of current performance examinations.

**Resolved:** The Committee resolved to note the incoming correspondence.

#### 4 **Business**

4.1 Clarification of the Committee's role. The Committee discussed advice from the Clerk and the Speaker regarding the parameters of the Committee's role. The Chair advised the Committee that the Clerk and the Speaker would attend the next meeting of the Committee to discuss this matter.

4.2 Inquiry into the Adequacy and Appropriateness of Prevention and Treatment Services for Alcohol and Illicit Drug Problems in Western Australia.

a) SDERA invitation to the launch of SDERA online. The Chair advised that she would attend this event.

b) Hearing at 10am with Dr Allan Quigley, Director Clinical Services, Next Step.

#### 5 Next meeting

9.45 am on 7 September 2011.

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## **MINUTES**

## Meeting No. 78

### 7 September 2011

Present:	Dr J.M. Woollard, MLA (Chair) Mr P.B Watson, MLA (Deputy Chair) Mr P. Abetz, MLA
Apologies:	Ms L.L. Baker, MLA

Hon Dr G.G. Jacobs, MLA

#### **1** Meeting of the Committee

The Education and Health Standing Committee met at 9:00am in room 3 of the Legislative Assembly Committee Office, Harvest Terrace, West Perth.

#### 2 Minutes

Minutes of meeting 76 held on 18 August 2011, and meeting 77 held on 31 August 2011, having been circulated, were approved.

#### 3 Correspondence

3.1 Email from Pamela Collette inviting the Committee to meet with Professor Neil Thomson, Director of the Australian Indigenous Health*infonet* to update the Committee on the information and resources available, particularly as it pertains to health related schools.

**Resolved:** The Committee resolved to invite Professor Thomson to attend a Committee meeting and provide a 45 minute presentation on the Health*infoNet*.

3.2 Letter from Mr A.P. O'Gorman, Chair of the Community Development and Justice Standing Committee advising an Inquiry into the recognition and adequacy of the response by State Government agencies to experience of trauma by workers and volunteers arising from disasters.

3.3 letter from the Minister for Sport and Recreation; Racing and Gaming advising that a solid time frame for a response to Report 8 is not yet available.

**Resolved:** The Committee resolved to note the inwards correspondence.

#### 4 **Business**

4.1 The Speaker addressed the Committee on the boundaries to the functions of the Committee.

4.2 Consideration of the draft Terms of Reference for a new Inquiry.

The Committee discussed draft Terms of Reference for an Inquiry into improving educational outcomes for Western Australians of all ages. After some discussion:

**Resolved:** The Committee resolved to accept the terms of reference for a new inquiry as outlined below.

The Committee will inquire into:

1. Current and future resourcing of new methods and activities to improve educational outcomes such as e-learning and school partnerships:

2. Factors influencing positive or negative childhood development from birth to year 12;

3. Facilitating greater opportunities to engage all students in year 11 and 12;

4. Improving access and opportunities for adult learning in regional and remote WA; and

5. Foetal Alcohol Syndrome: prevalence, prevention, identification, funding and treatment to improve education, social and economic outcomes.

The Committee will report by 30 November 2012.

**Resolved:** That the Committee write to the Speaker requesting that funds be made available to allow the Committee to advertise the Terms of Reference in *The West Australian, Community News* newspapers as well as *Education Matters* and *Australian Policy Online* and call for submissions.

**Resolved:** That the Committee secretariat be authorised to conduct research and undertake meetings as necessary to progress the inquiry.

**Resolved:** That the Committee write to stakeholder agencies and individuals advising of the Terms of Reference and requesting a formal submission be made to the inquiry.

**Resolved:** to publish submissions received in relation to the inquiry on the Parliament's website.

**Resolved:** The Committee resolved to empower the Chair to contact John Rae, Trevor Parry, the Telethon Institute of Child Health Research, Kim Hames, Liz Constable, Mark Morissey, and Michelle Scott to discuss the terms of reference and seek their recommendations for useful contacts in the field.

**Resolved:** The Committee resolved to seek funding from the Speaker to travel on a research trip to the eastern states in the week commencing 10 October, and to attend the e-learning conference 'Daring Adventures in E-Learning', to be held in Melbourne on 14 October.

4.3 Adoption of the annual report

**Resolved:** The Committee resolved to adopt the annual report as circulated.

4.4 DVD by Jack P. Shonkoff, MD, Professor of Child Health and Development and founding director of the university-wide Center [sic] on the Developing Child at Harvard University.

The Committee completed the viewing of this DVD.

#### 5 Next meeting

9.45 am on 21 September 2011.

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## MINUTES

## Meeting No. 79

### 21 September 2011

Present:

Dr J.M. Woollard, MLA (Chair) Mr P.B Watson, MLA (Deputy Chair) Mr P. Abetz, MLA Ms L.L. Baker, MLA Hon Dr G.G. Jacobs, MLA

#### **Apologies:**

#### **1** Meeting of the Committee

The Education and Health Standing Committee met at 9:45am in room 2 of the Legislative Assembly Committee Office, Harvest Terrace, West Perth.

#### 2 Minutes

Minutes of meeting 78 held on 7 September 2011, having been circulated, were approved.

#### 3 Correspondence

3.1 Letter from Hon John Kobelke MLA, Chair Public Accounts Standing Committee advising an Inquiry into the decision to award Serco Australia the contract for the provision of non-clinical services at Fiona Stanley Hospital.

**Resolved:** The Committee resolved to note the correspondence.

#### 4 Business

4.1 An Inquiry into improving educational outcomes for Western Australians of all ages

(a) December meeting with John Fleming Deputy Principal Haileybury College between December 5 and 9th

**Resolved:** The Committee resolved to seek an appointment to meet with Mr Fleming during its visit to Melbourne in October 2011.

#### 4.2 Hearing

10:00am -	Rae Walter - CEO Ngala
	Elaine Bennet - Director Ngala

 11:00am - Sue Kiely - Child and Adolescent Community Health Child and Adolescent Health Service DoH Representative for AEDI Robyn Kinkade - Manager Special Projects, Office of Early Childhood Development and Learning, Department of Education - including AEDI Gail Clark - AEDI Coordinator for WA

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#### 5 Next Meeting

9:45 - 28 September 2011

DR J.M. WOOLLARD, MLA CHAIR

DR BRIAN GORDON PRINCIPAL RESEARCH OFFICER



## **MINUTES**

### Meeting No. 80

### 28 September 2011

Present:	Dr J.M. Woollard, MLA (Chair) (from 10.45am) Mr P.B Watson, MLA (Deputy Chair)
	Mr P. Abetz, MLA
	Hon Dr G.G. Jacobs, MLA

Apologies: Ms L.L. Baker, MLA

#### **1** Meeting of the Committee

The Education and Health Standing Committee met at 10.00am in room 2 of the Legislative Assembly Committee Office, 11 Harvest Terrace, West Perth.

#### 2 Minutes

Minutes of meeting 79 held on 21 September 2011, having been circulated, were approved.

#### 3 Correspondence

3.1 Letter from the Clerk advising the Speaker's approval of advertising funding to a cost of \$4,277.00

3.2 Letter from the Clerk advising the Speaker's approval of travel funding to a cost of \$48,655.00

**Resolved:** The Committee resolved to note the correspondence.

#### 4 Business

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- 4.1 *Travel 2011/2012*. The Committee discussed the Speaker's request for an indication of possible Committee travel in 2011/2012, and agreed to submit a letter detailing one trip to regional Western Australia and one trip overseas.
- 4.2 Liquor Industry red tape reduction. This item was raised by Dr Graham Jacobs, who sought the Committee's agreement to write to Minister Waldron relating to recent changes in the Liquor Control Act. The Committee agreed that Dr Jacobs would work with Dr Gordon to develop a letter, which will be considered by the Committee at a future meeting.

# 4.3 An Inquiry into improving educational outcomes for Western Australians of all ages

(a) Advertising in Education Matters, \$2,200.

**Resolved**: The Committee resolved to approve the expenditure of \$2,200 to place an advertisement seeking submissions for the Improving Educational Outcomes inquiry into the publication 'Education Matters'.

(b) Update on travel 9 to 15 October 2011. The Committee was provided with an update of the planning for the 9-15 October trip, and all members received a copy of the draft program.

#### 4.4 Hearing

10:30am - Dr Caroline Goossens, Clinical Lead Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services; Infant, Child and Adolescent Psychiatrist; and Chair, WA Faculty of Child Psychiatry.

#### 5 Next Meeting

9:45 - 19 October 2011

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## MINUTES

## Meeting No. 81

### 12 October 2011

Present:	Dr J.M. Woollard, MLA (Chair) Mr P.B Watson, MLA (Deputy Chair) Mr P. Abetz, MLA
Apologies:	Hon Dr G.G. Jacobs, MLA Ms L.L. Baker, MLA

#### **1** Meeting of the Committee

The Education and Health Standing Committee met at 9:45 a.m. 50 Marcus Clark St Canberra

#### 2 Business

**Resolved**: The Committee resolved to approve the issue of a media release of the meeting with the Hon Dr Sharman Stone - Federal member for Murray

#### 3 Next Meeting

9:45 - 19 October 2011

DR J.M. WOOLLARD, MLA CHAIR

DR BRIAN GORDON PRINCIPAL RESEARCH OFFICER



## **MINUTES**

## Meeting No. 82

19 October 2011

**Present:** 

Dr J.M. Woollard, MLA (Chair) Mr P.B Watson, MLA (Deputy Chair) Mr P. Abetz, MLA Hon Dr G.G. Jacobs, MLA Ms L.L. Baker, MLA

#### **Apologies:**

#### **1** Meeting of the Committee

The Education and Health Standing Committee met at 9:45 am, LA Committee Room 2, 11 Harvest Terrace, West Perth.

#### 2 Minutes

Minutes from meeting No 80 of 28 September, and meeting No 81 of 12 October, having been circulated, were adopted.

#### 3 Correspondence

3.1 Letter from Dr Ruth Shean, Director General, Department of Training and Workforce Development, advising of their readiness to make a submission

**Resolved:** The Committee resolved to note the correspondence

#### 4 **Business**

4.1 Liquor Industry - Red Tape Reduction. The Committee was advised that the proposed letter regarding this issue was not proceeded with due to advice from the Clerk Assistant Committees that such activity was outside the scope of the Committee's role.

4.2 An Inquiry into improving educational outcomes for Western Australians of all ages

a) Committee travel to the North West in March 2012.

**Resolved:** The Committee resolved to write to the Speaker requesting funds be made available to enable the Committee to travel to the North West and meet with stakeholder agencies relevant to the Inquiry.

b) Date for NGALA Community nurses focus group. This agenda item was postponed for consideration at the next Committee meeting.

c) Short report on October travel to the Eastern States

**Resolved:** The Committee resolved to prepare a short report for tabling in Parliament on the issues identified during the trip to Adelaide, Canberra and Melbourne in October 2011.

d) An early childhood summit. This agenda item was postponed for consideration at the next meeting.

#### 5 Next meeting

Members indicated their desire to discuss prioritisation of the current inquiry work at the next meeting, and to narrow down the focus of activity. This item will be added to the agenda for the next meeting, at 9.30am on 2 November 2011.

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## **MINUTES**

## Meeting No. 83

### 2 November 2011

Present:Dr J.M. Woollard, MLA (Chair)Mr P.B Watson, MLA (Deputy Chair)Mr P. Abetz, MLAHon Dr G.G. Jacobs, MLAMs L.L. Baker, MLA (from 10am)

Apologies:

#### 1 Meeting of the Committee

The Education and Health Standing Committee met at 9:35 am, LA Committee Room 1, 11 Harvest Terrace, West Perth.

#### 2 Minutes

Minutes from meeting No 82 of 19 October, having been circulated, were adopted.

#### 3 Correspondence

3.1 Response to the Report 10: Alcohol: Reducing the harm and curbing the culture of excess, from the Alcohol and Other Drugs Council of Australia (ADCA), Mr David Templeton, CEO, 23 September 2011.

3.2 Submission containing supplementary information from Ms Gail Clark, AEDI State Coordinator, Department of Education, received 5 October 2011

3.3 Letter from Hon Brendon Grylls MLA, Minister for Regional Development, responding to Report 10, from the *Inquiry into the Adequacy and Appropriateness of Prevention and Treatment Services for Alcohol and Illicit Drug Problems in Western Australia*, received 17 October 2011.

3.4 Submission for Educational Outcomes inquiry from Dr Dawn Butterworth, National Council of Women of WA, received 25 October 2011.

3.5 Email invitation from Ms Rae Walter, Ngala, to a retirement celebration and introduction of new CEO, Mr Ashley Reid, received 25 October 2011.

Noted: The Committee noted the correspondence.

3.6

**Resolved:** The Committee resolved to place responses to Report 10, including the ADCA response, on the Committee website.

#### 4 Business: Inquiry into Improving Educational Outcomes for Western Australians of All Ages

- 4.1 Discussion of prioritisation of inquiry work and focus. The Committee endorsed the approach and general timelines for the inquiry set out in the circulated document 'Reporting and Methodology'.
- 4.2 Date for NGALA Community nurses focus group. This agenda item was postponed for consideration to the next Committee meeting.
- 4.3 **An early childhood summit**. The summit would focus on issues, gaps, and possible solutions through a series of workshops. The Committee discussed this proposal in the context of jointly hosting such a summit with Curtin University and/or the Committee on the Commissioner for Children and Young People. The Committee agreed to seek funding/sponsorship to host a summit in March or April of 2012.
- **Resolved:** That the Committee seek funding/sponsorship for a summit on early childhood to be held in March or April 2012. It was also resolved that discussions in relation to the Summit being a joint venture could be pursued and the Chair is authorised to approach the Vice Chancellor of Curtin University to seek their support. Additionally, the Chair is authorised to approach the Minister/Premier to open the summit, once details are fleshed out.
- 4.3a The Committee also discussed the possibility of holding a forum for high school principals in 2012. It was agreed that some more exploratory work would be done and the issue would be discussed again at the next Committee meeting.
- **Resolved:** The Committee authorised the Chair, Dr Woollard, to discuss informally the possibility of hosting a principal's forum with Minister Constable.
- 4.5 Hearing

10:30am - Ms Angela Poole Operations Manager South Coastal Women's Health Services

#### 5 Other business

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5.1 The Committee read and adopted Report 12: Report on Key Learnings from the Committee Research Trip October 2011.

**Resolved:** The Committee resolved to table *Report 12: Key Learnings from the Committee Research Trip October 2011* in Parliament on 3 November 2011.

#### 6 Next meeting

9.45am on 9 November 2011.

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DR BRIAN GORDON PRINCIPAL RESEARCH OFFICER



## **MINUTES**

## Meeting No. 84

### 9 November 2011

Present:	Dr J.M. Woollard, MLA (Chair) Mr P. Abetz, MLA
	Hon Dr G.G. Jacobs, MLA
	Ms L.L. Baker, MLA (from 10.15am)

Apologies: Mr P.B Watson, MLA (Deputy Chair)

#### **1** Meeting of the Committee

The Education and Health Standing Committee met at 9:45 am, LA Committee Room 2, 11 Harvest Terrace, West Perth.

#### 2 Minutes

Minutes from meeting No 83 of 2 November 2011, having been circulated, were adopted.

#### **3** Correspondence

3.1 Letter from Mr Peter McHugh, Clerk of the Legislative Assembly, dated 14 October 2011, confirming approval for funding of \$2,200 to advertise in the journal 'Education Matters'.

3.2 Letter from Professor Mike Daube, addressed to the Member for Alfred Cove, responding to Committee Report 10 Alcohol (dated 24 August, received 2 November).

**Resolved:** The Committee noted the correspondence and that it had resolved at its previous meeting on 2 November that all responses to previous reports should be posted to the EHSC website.

#### 4 **Business: Inquiry into Improving Educational Outcomes for Western Australians** of All Ages

- 4.1 Date for NGALA Community nurses focus group. The Committee agreed that the PRO will seek a time for this focus group with NGALA that is convenient for the Member of Alfred Cove. Other members will attend if they are available at that point.
- 4.2 Discussion of progress on the early childhood summit. The Chair advised the Committee that she has spoken to the Chair of the Committee for the Commissioner on Children and Young People (CCYP) regarding the early childhood summit. The PRO advised the Committee that a letter has been sent to the Chair CCYP inviting that committee to take on the role of co-convenor for the summit.
- 4.3 Professor Stephen Heppell: on-line and on-site learning strategies @Southern River College, 11/11/11. The Committee agreed that Mr Peter Abetz, Mr Brian Gordon and Ms Lucy Roberts would attend this presentation. The secretariat will seek funding from the Speaker to fund attendance.
- 4.4 Discussion of progress on the school principals forum. The secretariat will draft a letter to the Minister for Education outlining the proposed forum.
- Hearing 4.5

10:00am -Ms Amanda Gillett

Manager, Community Services Association for Services to Torture and Trauma Survivors

> Mr Joel Richards Youth Program ASeTTS

10:45am -Mr Gerard Neesham CEO The Clontarf Foundation

> Ms Stephanie Syme **Chief Financial Officer** The Clontarf Foundation

#### 5 Next meeting

9.00am on 23 November 2011.

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DR J.M. WOOLLARD, MLA CHAIR

DR BRIAN GORDON PRINCIPAL RESEARCH OFFICER



## **MINUTES**

## Meeting No. 85

### 23 November 2011

Present:	Dr J.M. Woollard, MLA (Chair) (from 9.45) Mr P. Abetz, MLA
	Hon Dr G.G. Jacobs, MLA Mr P.B Watson, MLA (Deputy Chair) (from 10.15)

Apologies: Ms L.L. Baker, MLA

#### 1 Meeting of the Committee

The Education and Health Standing Committee met at 9:00 am, LA Committee Room 2, 11 Harvest Terrace, West Perth.

#### 2 Hearing

9.00am Mr Terry Murphy, Director General of the Department of Child Protection.

#### 3 Minutes

Minutes from meeting No 84 of 9 November 2011, having been circulated, were adopted.

#### 4 Correspondence

4.1 Letter from Ms Andrea Mitchell MLA, Chair of the Joint Standing Committee for the Commissioner for Children and Young People, dated 9 November 2011, declining invitation to be co-convenor of the early childhood summit.

4.2 Letter from Mr Kim Snowball, Director General of the Department of Health, dated 10 November 2011, advising Health Department attendance at hearing on 30 November 2011.

4.3 Letter from the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly confirming funding for attendance at the digital pedagogy workshop for the sum of \$330.

4.4 Letter from Anne Russell-Brown, Group Director Social Outreach and Advocacy, St John of God Health Care, returning the transcript and advising her willingness to assist the Committee with relevant contacts of families in the Kimberley.

**Resolved:** The Committee noted the inwards correspondence.

#### 5 Business: Inquiry into Improving Educational Outcomes for Western Australians of All Ages

- 5.1 Date for NGALA Community nurses focus group. The Committee noted that the time for this focus group has been set for 13 December, from 2-4pm, with the option of a 20 minute meeting with the CEO of Ngala immediately beforehand.
- 5.2 Discussion of progress on the early childhood summit.

#### 6 Other business

6.1 The Committee agreed to postpone the Committee Christmas lunch until early in the New Year.

#### 7 Hearing

10.30 Mr Dawson Ruhl, CEO Child Australia.

#### 8 Next meeting

10.00a.m. - 30 November 2011.

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## **MINUTES**

## Meeting No. 86

### 30 November 2011

**Present:** 

Dr J.M. Woollard, MLA (Chair) Mr P. Abetz, MLA Hon Dr G.G. Jacobs, MLA Mr P.B Watson, MLA (Deputy Chair) Ms L.L. Baker, MLA

#### 1 Apologies

Nil

### 2 Correspondence

2.1 Letter from the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly confirming funding for investigative travel to the North West in the sum of \$52,856. Noted

#### 3 Business: Inquiry into Improving Educational Outcomes for Western Australians of All Ages

- 3.1 The principal research officer advised the Clerk's ruling that the circular letter to members from the AHA was not to go on the WWW as it would be viewed as commentary and is outside the purview of the Committees operations.
- 3.2 The date for NGALA Community nurses focus group is confirmed as 13 December, @ 13:40.
- 3.3 The proposed early childhood summit has been put in abeyance as there is an Early Childhood Association conference in October 2012.

#### 4 Other business

#### 5 Hearing

10:30 a.m.

Mark Morrissey Executive Director – of Nursing Department of Health

Philip Aylward, Executive Director Child and Adolescent Community Health

Ian Smith Chief Executive of WA Country Health Service Next Meeting

Kate Gatti Area Director, Population Health, WA Country Health Service

#### 6 Next meeting

9:45.a.m. - 22 February 2012.

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