Want to get involved?

Become a State Councillor

A guide to the roles and responsibilities of a WACSSO State Councillor

“State Councillors represent the P&C Associations in their District”

WACSSO State Council is made up of volunteers who represent individual Districts throughout WA, and a President. Members are nominated by their P&C Association.

Councillors represent the views, issues, concerns and opinions of all the P&Cs in their District through regular contact.

Many Councillors donate their time to sit on a variety of committees such as the Children’s Crossing and Road Safety Committee and Rural & Remote Education Advisory Committee.

Being a State Councillor is your opportunity to positively contribute the education of students in government schools throughout WA.

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SUPPORTING LOCAL ACTION

State Councillors are the grass roots connection between P&Cs and WACSSO. Councillors are often contacted by affiliates for advice and assistance and can be invited to attend P&C meetings in their District.

CONSTITUTIONAL REQUIREMENTS

A State Councillor must be a member of an affiliated P&C Association.

The WACSSO Constitution also requires Councillors to:

- represent affiliates’ views;
- provide support and information to affiliates;
- attend Annual Conference and State Council meetings;
- convene a meeting of affiliates at least once per semester;
- report back on electorate activities and resolutions passed at State Council meetings;
- become familiar with and promote WACSSO policy; and
- ensure their activities are in the best interests of public school students.

MEETINGS

State Council meets four times per year over a weekend.

When Council is not in session an Executive Committee conducts Council business. The President, elected Executive Committee members and rostered Councillors meet by phone link-up.

State Council’s direction is informed by Annual Conference, the forum for affiliates to establish priorities and policy for the coming year. Annual Conference is held on a weekend in August.

WACSSO OFFICE

Office staff support State Council by carrying out its resolutions and delivering quality services to affiliated P&C Associations.

REIMBURSEMENT OF COSTS

State Councillors are reimbursed for out of pocket expenses associated with WACSSO business such as telephone calls. WACSSO also covers travel costs to all Councillors, accommodation for country Councillors and meals where applicable.

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