



Briefing Note: Appointment of members of the Curriculum, Progress and Achievement Ministerial Advisory Group

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Summary

- On 24 April Cabinet Business Committee (CBC) will consider appointments to the Curriculum, Progress and Achievement Ministerial Advisory Group (MAG). The Terms of Reference for this MAG has been agreed by the Cabinet Social Wellbeing Committee [SWC-18-MIN-0040], and will be considered by Cabinet on 24 April.
- Thirteen individuals have been proposed as members of the Curriculum, Progress and Achievement MAG: Dr Georgina Stewart (co-chair), Mary Chamberlain (co-chair), Distinguished Professor Graham Hingangaroa Smith, Dr Claire Sinnema, Charles Darr, Dr Jeff Smith, Professor Margie Hohepa, Sonia Johnston, Laura Hawksworth, Diane Whyte, Sarah Martin, Liam Rutherford and Rangimarie Mahuta
- Following consideration by CBC on 24 April, appointments will be considered by Cabinet on 30 April. Members of the Curriculum, Progress and Achievement MAG will be announced in the week commencing 30 April, ahead of the first Education Summit (5-6 May).

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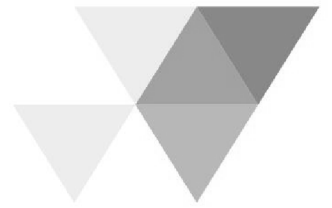


Background

1. The Curriculum, Progress and Achievement Ministerial Advisory Group (MAG) will be an external expert group that provides advice to you on strengthening the use of the curricula to understand student progress and achievement.
2. The advice of the Curriculum, Progress and Achievement MAG will help to develop a programme of work that builds teacher and leader capability to work with their students, parents, whānau and communities to:
 - design and deliver local curricula that include learning opportunities that integrate knowledge, skills and key competencies in The New Zealand Curriculum, and Māori medium graduate qualities and characteristics in Te Marautanga o Aotearoa
 - personalise learning opportunities to meet the needs and aspirations of all students and their whānau, within an inclusive and culturally responsive learning environment
 - be data literate, understanding and acting on data/evidence for improvement, including making effective and efficient use of information in inquiry, planning and reporting, and sharing meaningful reports with students, parents and whānau.

Suitability of proposed appointments to the Curriculum, Progress and Achievement MAG

3. The thirteen proposed members provide a breadth and depth of suitable experience to be part of the Curriculum, Progress and Achievement MAG:
 - a. Dr Georgina Stewart
 - b. Mary Chamberlain
 - c. Distinguished Professor Graham Hingangaroa Smith
 - d. Dr Claire Sinnema
 - e. Charles Darr
 - f. Dr Jeff Smith
 - g. Professor Margie Hohepa
 - h. Sonia Johnston
 - i. Laura Hawksworth
 - j. Diane Whyte
 - k. Sarah Martin
 - l. Liam Rutherford
 - m. Rangimarie Mahuta.
4. The proposed appointments provide for reasonably well-balanced groups in terms of gender, ethnicity and geographic representation, and an appropriate mix of skills and experience, The proposed membership consists of 9 women and 4 men; 5

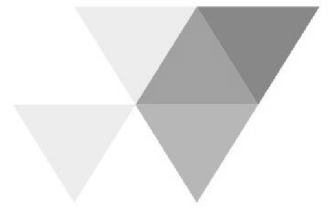


Māori, 1 Pasifika and 7 European/Pākehā members; 5 members from Auckland, 2 from Hamilton, 1 from Wellington, 1 from Dunedin and 4 are from regional New Zealand

5. Probity checks are underway for members and are expected to be completed by the end of April. Appointments will therefore need to be made by CBC “pending” probity checks, however appointments won’t be announced until probity checks have been completed.

Next steps

6. Following consideration by CBC on 24 April, appointments will be considered by Cabinet on 30 April.
7. Appointments to the Curriculum, Progress and Achievement MAG will be announced ahead of the first Education Summit (5 – 6 May).



Annex 1 Cabinet Business Committee paper on appointments to the Curriculum, Progress and Achievement MAG

Attached separately