

## Education Report: Establishing the Curriculum, Progress and Achievement Ministerial Advisory Group and appointments

<b>To:</b>	Hon Chris Hipkins		
<b>Date:</b>	20 April 2018	<b>Priority:</b>	High
<b>Security Level:</b>	In confidence	<b>METIS No:</b>	1120392
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<b>Messaging seen by Communications team:</b>	Yes	<b>Round Robin:</b>	No

### Purpose of report

This report provides the draft Cabinet Business Committee (CBC) paper, and associated paperwork, for CBC's confirmation of the following:

- appointments to the Curriculum, Progress and Achievement Ministerial Advisory Group (MAG)

### Summary

To establish the Curriculum, Progress and Achievement MAG prior to the Education Summit on 5 and 6 May, it is necessary to confirm the appointments for the group at CBC on 24 April. You have agreed appointments to this group [METIS 111525 refers].

The Terms of Reference for the Curriculum, Progress and Achievement MAG were confirmed at Social Wellbeing Committee on 11 April 2018 [SWC-18-MIN-0040] and will be considered by Cabinet on 24 April.

The Ministry is undertaking probity checks on candidates. We will work with your office on appointment letters and media releases, to be issued once Cabinet processes and probity are complete.

### Proactive release

We recommend this report and the accompanying CBC paper is released once decisions have been confirmed by Cabinet and Caucus, and announced. At this point it will no longer be under active consideration.

Any information which may need to be withheld will be done so in line with the provisions of the Official Information Act 1982. In particular, redactions will be necessary in line with s9(2)(a) to protect the privacy of natural persons.

## Recommended Actions

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The Ministry of Education recommends you:

- a. **note** that you agreed to appoint the following members to the Curriculum, Progress and Achievement MAG [METIS 1111525 refers]:
- i. Dr Georgina Stewart (Co-Chair)
  - ii. Mary Chamberlain (Co-Chair)
  - iii. Distinguished Professor Graham Hingangaroa Smith
  - iv. Dr Claire Sinnema
  - v. Dr Jeff Smith
  - vi. Charles Darr
  - vii. Professor Margie Hohepa
  - viii. Sonia Johnston
  - ix. Laura Hawksworth
  - x. Diane Whyte
  - xi. Sarah Martin
  - xii. Liam Rutherford
  - xiii. Rangimarie Mahuta

**Noted**

- b. **note** that Terms of Reference for this group were confirmed at Social Wellbeing Committee on 11 April 2018 [SWC-18-MIN-0040] and will be considered by Cabinet on 24 April

**Noted**

- c. **note** that, to establish the group before the Education Summit on the 5 and 6 May, it is necessary to confirm the appointments at CBC on 24 April

**Noted**

- d. **approve** the attached draft CBC paper for consideration at its 24 April 2018 meeting

**Agree / Disagree**

- e. **lodge** the attached draft CBC paper and its appendices with the Cabinet office on Friday 20 April 2018

**Agree / Disagree**

f. **note** that probity checks for members of this group are underway and are expected to be complete before the end of April 2018

**Noted**

g. **note** we will work with your office to provide draft appointment letters and media releases related to the establishment of this group, for issue once probity checks are complete

**Noted**

h. **agree** to proactively release this report and the CBC paper with appropriate redactions once decisions have been announced.

**Agree / Disagree**

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Pauline Cleaver  
**Associate Deputy Secretary**  
**Early Learning and Student Achievement**

Hon Chris Hipkins  
**Minister of Education**



20/04/2018

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## Background

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### Curriculum, Progress and Achievement MAG

1. You agreed to appoint the following members to the Curriculum, Progress and Achievement MAG [METIS 1111525 refers]:
  - Dr Georgina Stewart (Co-Chair)
  - Mary Chamberlain (Co-Chair)<sup>1</sup>
  - Distinguished Professor Graham Hingangaroa Smith
  - Dr Claire Sinnema<sup>2</sup>
  - Dr Jeff Smith<sup>3</sup>
  - Charles Darr
  - Professor Margie Hohepa
  - Sonia Johnston
  - Laura Hawksworth
  - Diane Whyte
  - Sarah Martin
  - Liam Rutherford
  - Rangimarie Mahuta
2. Interest and availability of these candidates has been confirmed. Probity checks are mostly complete, with no adverse findings to date.   

3. The Terms of Reference for the Curriculum, Progress and Achievement MAG were confirmed at Social Wellbeing Committee on 11 April 2018 [SWC-18-MIN-0040] and will be considered by Cabinet on 24 April.
4. To enable both Co-Chairs to be paid a fee at the Chair level, we have provided paperwork for you to seek an exception to the Cabinet Fees Framework [METIS 1119416 refers]. The Minister of State Services would normally be responsible for supporting fee exceptions for organisations covered by the Cabinet Fees Framework, but this power has been delegated to the Minister of Finance for your portfolios.

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### Next steps

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5. In order to establish this group prior to the Education Summit on 5 and 6 May 2018, it is necessary to confirm the appointments at CBC on 24 April 2018. Decisions will then be confirmed by Cabinet on 30 April, followed by Caucus.
6. It will be necessary to lodge the CBC paper and related appendices with Cabinet Office on Friday 20 April 2018. We will provide an Aide Memoir to support you at the meeting by Friday 20 April.
7. We expect probity checks to be complete before the end of April.

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<sup>1</sup> Mary Chamberlain was agreed to be Chair through engagement with your office following METIS 1111525.

<sup>2</sup> Dr Claire Sinnema was agreed through engagement with your office following METIS 1111525.

<sup>3</sup> Dr Jeff Smith was agreed through engagement with your office following METIS 1111525.

8. We will work with your office to provide draft appointment letters and media releases for the establishment of this group. These can be issued once probity checks are complete.

## Annexes

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Annex 1: Draft CBC paper and Candidate CV Forms