

ASDAPA
Auckland Secondary Deputy and Assistant Principals' Association

President's Report

May 2009 to May 2010

The Committee's Work

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Gerri Shorter	(St Cuthbert's College),
Sarah Stenson	(Epsom Girls' Grammar School),
Kay Thomas	(Mt Roskill Grammar School).

The Committee met twice per term to determine what was of most interest to DPs and APs and which speakers would suit our needs. The themes for 2009 and 2010 were the New Zealand Curriculum and Teaching As Inquiry. We then considered people who we had seen and heard, made contact with those potential speakers, organised the dates, venue, finance, publicity and catering for those seminar days.

We are grateful to Gerri Shorter for always hosting the Executive meetings at St Cuthbert's College.

My thanks to the Executive Committee members who have worked diligently and expertly, such that I believe we do produce professional learning and development which matches much of that offered about educational leadership.

Special congratulations and thanks to Steve Lindsey who has been appointed Principal of the new Papamoa High School and has expertly managed the finances of our Association.

Kay Thomas is not standing again for the Executive and I thank her for her ideas and work for the Association.

Seminar Days

We have worked to organise one professional learning and development seminar day for APs and DPs in each of Terms I, II and III and then a breakfast meeting in Term IV. The venue has been the Remuera Golf Club.

Particular thanks to Karen Mitchell who has produced the seminar days' fliers and emailed them out to APs and DPs, and to Steve Lindsey for receiving registrations and monies. Thanks to Executive members who have been pro-active in finding speakers, making contacts and arrangements.

Term III Seminar

Dr Claire Sinnema from the University of Auckland explained 'Teaching as Inquiry' and the direction given in Best Evidence Synthesis and the New Zealand Curriculum.

Derek Wenmoth from Core Education provided insights in 21st century digital learners as directed in the New Zealand Curriculum.

Term IV Breakfast Meeting

Bali Haque spoke about Standards Review and the New Zealand Curriculum

Term II 2010 Seminar

Today, Jennifer Garvey Berger, Chief Researcher and Manager of Organisational Learning at NZCER, has provided us with guidance as to how to change teachers' dispositions towards 21st century teaching and learning.

Web-site

Our seminar dates, contacts, constitution, forms and seminar day reports are posted on a web-page on the NASDAP web-site <http://www.nasdap.org.nz/links/ASDAPA.html>

NASDAP and Auckland University Representation

Gerri Shorter and Sarah Stenson serve as Auckland Region Representatives on the NASDAP Executive and report to the Executive about the meetings. Steve Lindsey is our representative to the University of Auckland Leadership Centre.

Professional Learning Group - Coaching

Sarah Stenson has organised funding for this group of four DPs to work with Graeme Macann of Team Solutions to develop, through individual projects, a coaching system which we hope we can then promote and develop as an ASDAPA programme in the future.

Leadership Coaching

Sarah Stenson has organised a workshop with Pauline Beverley, an international consultant and leadership coach, which the Executive agreed should be subsidised by ASDAPA for those DPs attending. This is another initiative which we would want ASDAPA to promote and financially support in the future.

This Association offers all of us a high standard of relevant professional learning and development which is often the most important p.l.d. for senior managers. We have arranged seminars to include round-table discussion time to enhance the opportunity to meet associates and discuss our passion for and concerns about education in our schools. Senior management in schools has moved way beyond administrative skills and it is now incumbent upon us to inquire into research evidence, lead curriculum development and foster coaching and mentoring which appear to be the focus for present educational leadership. I know that this Association will continue to be a unique and vibrant support for DPs and APs in this region and your support of the events will ensure that ASDAPA is a major player in p.l.d. programmes for senior managers.

James Clarke,
President.
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