

TRUNDLE CENTRAL SCHOOL

Quality Education within a Caring, Committed School Community

TRUNDLE CENTRAL SCHOOL STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL CONSTITUTION

1. NAME

Trundle Central School Student Representative Council (SRC)

2. OBJECTIVE AND FUNCTIONS

Objective

- 1) To promote effective representation of students through communication and liaison with and between students staff and the school community.

Functions

- 1) To promote representation through the SRC.
- 2) To establish and maintain communication between students staff and the school community.
- 3) To promote and develop leadership, student communication, public speaking, organisational abilities and a sense of community.
- 4) To organise and develop a wide range of student activities which will make the school a more rewarding and pleasant place to pursue an education.
- 5) To deal with problems related to school life.
- 6) To encourage maximum participation in school activities.
- 7) To assist in the promotion of a spirit of co-operation between administration, staff and students in working towards common goals.
- 8) To make students aware of the role and activities of the community and promote the concept of service to the community.

3. MEMBERSHIP

- 1) Two members (boy and girl) from each Year in Years 5, 6,7, 8, 9 and 10.
In Year 11 one SRC member and a Yr 11 School Captain.
In Year 12 one SRC member and a Yr 12 School Captain.
Giving a total of 16 members.

Eligibility for Membership

- 1) Any student who is suspended from school is automatically stood down from their position as Captain or SRC representative, pending satisfactory clearance from all conduct sheets. Membership may be withdrawn, at the Principal's discretion if the student continues to be uncooperative.

If an SRC member has their badge removed permanently, the member's place on the SRC will be filled by a vote taken by the Year group at the next Year meeting. If a School Captain is removed from the position permanently, the position will be filled by offering it to the SRC representative or person who received the second highest number of votes at the election for Captains.

4. VOTING

- 1) Voting for SRC Representative is to be carried out in each Year with only members of that class eligible to nominate and vote for their SRC members from that class.
- 2) Voting for School Captains in Year 11 & 12 will be done by students in Primary and Secondary classes and by staff, after nominations are taken from Year 11 & 12 students. School Captains must receive at least 20% of votes by staff.
- 3) In all cases 'first past the post' voting will apply. In the case of a dead heat preferences will be used.
- 4) Secret ballot will be used for all voting.
- 5) Votes to be counted by the Principal and an observer.

5. OFFICE BEARERS

- 1) Chairperson
- 2) Secretary
- 3) Treasurer
- 4) Publicity Officer

6. MEETINGS

- 1) Two meetings per term, with additional meetings as required.
- 2) The SRC Teacher Adviser may call additional meetings.
- 3) Students may call additional meetings if the majority of student members request it and they have the approval of the SRC Teacher Adviser.
- 4) Meetings are to be organised by the Senior SRC Members in conjunction with the SRC Teacher Adviser.

Quorum

- 1) At least 10 members must be present for business to proceed.

Attendance

- 1) All members are expected to attend all meetings.
- 2) If a member is unable to attend the member should advise the SRC Teacher Adviser.

Agenda/Minutes

- 1) Where possible an agenda should be prepared and circulated and minutes kept.

7. VOTING RIGHTS

- 1) Each member has the right to cast one (1) vote.
- 2) The SRC teacher Adviser does not hold voting rights.
- 3) Decisions will be taken by simple majority.

8. TERM OF OFFICE

- 1) The term of office will be one calendar year.
- 2) There is no restriction on the number of years that a member may serve.

9. MEETING PROCEDURES

- 1) Standard meeting procedures will apply.

10. ALTERATIONS TO THE CONSTITUTIONS

This constitution can be altered by

- 1) Providing the Principal and SRC with the proposed change in writing.
- 2) Providing the Principal and SRC with one month notice of the proposed change.
- 3) A majority of the SRC and a majority of the staff agree to the proposed change.