HALE SCHOOL - GOVERNANCE STATEMENT

The Board of Governors of Hale School intends to be proactive, explicit about its values and forward thinking in its deliberations.

Its approach will be creative, flexible and adaptive to changing circumstances. It will operate within the framework of this governance statement without being unduly prescriptive. Its mindset will be one of strategic leadership and it will ensure that processes are in place to enable effective decision-making.

The Board, in collaboration with the Headmaster, will maintain a strategic focus on the School’s operations.

The Governance of the School will be achieved by the Board ensuring that:

1. A framework exists that gives clarity and enables the School to be a thriving learning, teaching and broader educational environment of excellence, innovation, integrity and vibrancy, that reflects strong Christian values and provides for the physical and emotional well being of its students and staff;

2. The vision of the School is sustained;

3. The mission, aims and objectives of the School, reflect the School’s vision for the future, and are clearly articulated;

4. An environment of responsibility and accountability is maintained;

5. Decisions are made and policies implemented with care and sensitivity to the School community;

6. The obligations of the School to members of the School community and the wider community are fulfilled; and

7. The Board, its Committees and staff of the School embrace and support these principles of governance.

(Adopted by the Board on 1/7/2002)