Montessori School Boards Orientation

Montessori • Governance • Key Issues

8 May 2010, Melbourne

The Montessori School Boards Orientation will focus on aspects of school boards unique to Montessori settings and will not duplicate the material covered in the orientations provided by the Associations of Independent Schools. Espousing good governance, the workshop will explore the key roles and responsibilities of Montessori School Boards and offer practical guidelines and resources. Understanding the unique nature of Montessori programmes, the workshop will offer recommendations for cultivating a healthy and productive relationship with the Head of School.

Overview of Montessori (9:00am - 10:45am)

- Key Montessori Principles
- Montessori Internationally
- Montessori in Australia
- Montessori Australia Foundation
- Montessori Children's Foundation
- Montessori National Curriculum
- Montessori Quality Assurance Programme

Governance (11:15am - 1:15pm)

- Models of governance - who's running the school?
- Montessori boards roles and responsibilities
- Board policies and procedures
- Running a successful board/council meeting
- Ideal make up of boards and skills
- Compliance and fiscal responsibilities
- Recommended constitution for Montessori Schools

Key Issues Facing Montessori Boards (2:15 - 4:00pm)

- Montessori school evolution
- Transition from volunteer to professional
- Teacher training and staff recruitment
- Head of School recruitment
- Principal and staff appraisal
- Controversial Montessori issues
- Montessori best practice
- Parent involvement

Saturday, 8 May 2010
9:00am to 4:00pm

AMTEF, North Brunswick Primary School
Corner Albion and Pearson Streets, Brunswick
Park in Westbourne Street, come through the school gate, follow the path and go to the RIGHT of the building and up the stairs.

Registration Fee: $150
Includes lunch, refreshment breaks and workshop papers.

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Christine Harrison has been involved in Montessori education since 1985 and was Principal of the Canberra Montessori School, one of the largest Montessori schools in Australia, for over ten years. She is the founding Chair of the Montessori Australia Foundation. She was Chair of the Association of Independent Schools in the ACT and on the Board of the Independent Schools Council of Australia.

Megan Tyne holds the AMI 3-6 Diploma and a BA Dip Ed and has been involved in Montessori education since 1985. She was Chairperson of the International Montessori Centenary Committee is currently Executive Director of the Montessori Children's Foundation and the Montessori Australia Foundation and Project Officer for the Association Montessori Internationale.

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