



Governing Council Policy

The Morphett Vale Primary School and Preschool Governing Council works collaboratively with the site leader, staff, and community to set and monitor the strategic direction of our school. The council plays a vital role in guiding decisions that impact the educational experience of our students.

Meeting Schedule

Our Governing Council meets twice each term. While all parents are welcome to attend meetings, only elected council members hold voting rights. Participation in meetings is a significant aspect of Governing Council membership, but it also includes other responsibilities such as:

- Participating in interview panels to select key site staff such as the Principal, Canteen Manager, OSHC Director, or Pastoral Support Worker.
- Representing the school in media engagements, whether responding to events or promoting good news stories.
- Acting as the employing authority for Out of School Hours Care (OSHC) or Canteen staff.

Shared Responsibility

The Governing Council shares responsibilities with the Principal, working together to:

- Engage and involve the local community.
- Develop, approve, and review local policies.
- Set the overall strategic direction and vision of the school.
- Monitor and evaluate the School Improvement Plan.
- Oversee employment for specific services, including OSHC and the canteen.

In return, the Principal collaborates with the Governing Council by:

- Providing educational leadership.
- Implementing school policies.
- Executing the School Improvement Plan.

Governing Council Structure

The Governing Council of Morphett Vale Primary School consists of:

- The Principal (Michael Koutsoukos) or their delegate.
- One staff representatives.
- Up to 13 parent representatives.
- Up to 2 community representatives.



Sub-Committees

Parents who may not be Governing Council members can still contribute to school decision-making by joining one of our sub-committees. These groups meet twice per term and report back to the council:

1. Finance Committee
2. Canteen Committee
3. OSHC Committee
4. Fundraising Committee
5. Early Years Committee (Preschool, Playgroup, and Occasional Care)

Annual General Meeting (AGM)

Each year, the school holds an Annual General Meeting (AGM), where new Governing Council members are elected for a two-year term. During the first council meeting following the AGM, elections are held for Chairperson, Treasurer, and Secretary, and sub-committees are formed.

2024 Governing Council Members

- **Chair:** Stephanie Glover
- **Secretary:** Ashley Forrest
- **Treasurer:** Jamie Carr
- **Other Representatives:** Aiden Miller