# Stockton Public School P&C Association Code of Conduct

The Code of Conduct applies to all financial members, volunteers and employees ('members') of **Stockton Public School** P&C Association ('P&C Association') while undertaking any role or activity related to the **Stockton Public School** P&C Association.

### **The Principles**

The Code of Conduct is based on the following fundamental ethical principles:

### Respect for the Law

**Stockton Public School** P&C Association members, in common with all citizens, are under the jurisdiction of the laws of the State and the Commonwealth and are obliged to observe such laws.

# **Respect for all Persons**

**Stockton Public School** P&C Association members are expected to treat students, school staff, and all members of the community equitably with dignity and respect. This involves, but is not limited to, the following:

Tolerance of the views held by others which are different from your own

Courtesy and responsiveness in dealing with others

Fairness in supervising and dealing with other members

Making decisions that are procedurally fair to all people according to the principles of natural justice

Not discriminating on grounds such as gender, sexual orientation, race, ability, cultural background, religious status, marital status, age or political conviction

An awareness and respect for cultural difference

Engaging in rational debate allowing for alternative points of view to be expressed

Not engaging in behaviour that might reasonably be perceived as harassment, bullying or intimidation

#### Integrity

**Stockton Public School** P&C Association members should be honest in carrying out their duties and avoid conflicts between their private interests and their P&C responsibilities with respect to:

Personal relationships

Financial relationships

Receipt of gifts

Outside work

Use of confidential information obtained in the course of P&C duties

External activities and public comment

### Diligence

**Stockton Public School** P&C Association members should carry out their duties in a professional and conscientious manner. This involves:

Carrying out official decisions and policies faithfully and impartially

Seeking to attain the highest possible standards of performance

Exercising care for others in P&C related activities

Ensuring outside interests do not interfere with a P&C member's duties or responsibilities

Adhering to professional codes of conduct where applicable being encouraged to report fraud or corrupt conduct to an office bearing executive of the P&C and/or external authorities

# **Working with Children**

The **Stockton Public School** P&C Association adheres to the government's Working with Children Check legislation and relevant procedures

#### **Conflict of Interest**

P&C Association members must declare interests which conflict, either perceived or actual, with your P&C duties and activities.

A conflict of interest may include, but is not limited to, an expressed personal value or belief, professional ethics, personal or professional relationships, financial or proprietary interests

# Confidentiality

Personal information about a member should not be disclosed without the consent of the member or there is a lawful authority for its disclosure

Documents and information of the P&C Association should be placed in secure locations where possible and sensitive information should not be distributed without the President's consent.

**Stockton Public School** P&C Association members should familiarise themselves with this Code of Conduct and endeavour to ensure that its principles are observed at all times. Violations of the Code of Conduct may result in removal from the **Stockton Public School** P&C Association.

As adopted by the **Stockton Public School** P&C Association General Meeting 18<sup>th</sup> March 2014

PRESIDENT

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SECRETARY

Signature: Signature: Signature:

Date: 18/3/14 Date: 18/3/14