<u>POLICY</u>

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

<u>RATIONALE</u>

Professional Development by teachers has a positive impact on student and teacher learning.

PURPOSES

- A Staff Professional Development Plan will be developed to ensure that teachers have opportunities to upskill and meet individual and collective needs.
- The programme will:
 - □ be based on data collected from self review, performance appraisal and assessment outcomes.
 - □ be linked to the school's strategic plan
 - □ respond to Ministry of Education initiatives

GUIDELINES

Bombay School's professional development programme will be:

- 1. School focussed, but responsive to national trends.
- 2. Collaboratively developed by staff.
- 3. Linked to the requirements of the Professional Standards for Teachers, The New Zealand Curriculum and National Standards.
- 4. Supportive of individual and collective professional growth and will address needs at individual, syndicate and school wide levels, for all staff.
- 5. Consistent with the school's strategic direction and documented in the annual Operation Plan.
- 6. Subject to review and modification as it receives information from its systems and processes relating to assessment, recording and reporting, teacher performance appraisal and school self review.
- 7. Approved and resourced by the BOT on the annual recommendation of the principal, with outcomes reported to the BOT.

PROCEDURES

- 1. A professional development plan and programme will be prepared for the ensuing academic year, having regard for the school's strategic plan and direction, as well as individual and collective needs.
- Individual / group professional development needs are identified in response to Strategic/Annual plan. These are to be reviewed regularly with regard to MOE and other education agencies related initiatives.
- 3. Performance related objectives will be attended to on an individual needs basis through a range of professional development opportunities. Requirements for Registration (Provisional and Subject to Confirmation) will be met.
- 4. All professional development undertaken must be linked to student learning outcomes.
- 5. Annual Professional development costs will be equitably funded to meet individual / collective needs.

CONCLUSION

School improvement is a consequence of Professional Development.

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