

Appendix 4 -Statement of Objectives

(also known as the associations objects)

Excerpt from:

Community for Constitutional Reform at Brindabella Christian College Incorporated (CCR@BCC) - Rules of the Association

The Community for Constitutional Reform at Brindabella Christian College (CCR@BCC) is a community-minded incorporated association established with the intention of promoting transparency around the governance systems and processes at Brindabella Christian College (BCC; the school), with the view to achieving specific constitutional reforms of its governing entity, currently known as Brindabella Christian Education Limited (BCEL; the company) ensuring its core Christian values are preserved and protected.

The CCR@BCC has the following objectives:

1. To achieve constitutional reform at BCEL so that the delivery of educational services to enrolled children (on behalf of their parent/s) at the school are safeguarded against capricious interference, with particular regard to:
 - 1.1 restoring appropriate accountability and transparency functions within the governance systems and processes at the school,
 - 1.2 opening up membership of the company to include parents and interested parties;
 - 1.3 facilitating for a process of independent annual electoral cycles, whereby Directors are decided by annual voting by *the company members*);
 - 1.4 removing and prohibiting the inclusion of any terms within the BCEL Enrolment Contract which may be regarded as possible unfair contract terms under the Australian Consumer Law, as set out at Schedule 2 of the *Competition and Consumer Act 2010 (Cth)*;
 - 1.5 ensuring BCEL/BCC adopts a process for independent arbitration in the management of parent-school disputes in relation to the provision of educational services, including whether the services supplied by the school are fit for purpose and/or provided with due care and skill.

2. To advocate for the appointment of a new Board at BCEL, elected by the new company membership, that is independent of the operational management of the school and whose constituent directors are also independent of management and free of any business or other association that could materially interfere with, or could reasonably be perceived to materially interfere with, the exercise of unfettered and independent judgment.

In pursuing these objectives, the CCR@BCC is committed to supporting faith-based schooling in the ACT and, as far as this is possible, seeks to limit any reputational damage within this community.

Furthermore, the CCR@BCC is committed to promoting long-term organisational sustainability at BCC.

It's pursuit of constitutional reform is intended to enable a fair and transparent environment for the continuing delivery of sustainable, professional education and care services at BCC. It is our hope that a renewed BCEL can deliver quality Christian education to future generations of Canberra students.

The Association also seeks to support initiatives that satisfy the objectives of CCR@BCC which may provide restitution and/or remedy on behalf of BCC aggrieved parties.

Membership to CCR@BBC is open to past directors and all current and former parents, students (16 years of age and older), and employees including their respective family members, as well as other concerned parties who otherwise support the CCR@BCC objectives (known as Associate Members).