

WA Health Promoting Schools Association Inc.

Celebrates 30 years!

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Feb 1991 - 'WA School Health Interagency Coalition'

- Marketing plan
 - Highlight poor status of health education in schools
 - · Agencies to promote school health to the media
 - Advocacy strategies letters to parent groups/school councils
 - Leveraging off existing events health/education expos
- School Development in Health Education Project (SDHE)
 - National initiative trialled in WA through School Health Promotion Unit (joint initiative of the Ministry of Education & Health Department)
 - SDHE funding submission: submission to Health Promotion Foundation under the auspices of ACHPER to develop the SDHE project state-wide
 - 1994 funding granted for the project, project supporters: ACHPER, Healthway, Ministry of Education & WA Department of Health.
- 'Health Education in WA Schools' Survey findings Coalition to release findings
- Application to Health Promotion Foundation to fund 'health education teacher inservicing'
- Idea of a School Health newsletter raised
- November 1993 SHC became an incorporated body
- May 1994 Healthway Grant: Project Officer/EO and development & distribution of the below resource
- 1997/1998 AGM Paid Executive Secretary role: Kim Chute
- Co-authors: Iain Cameron, Lorraine Parker, Richard Crane, & Kris Stafford
- Strong financial management records audited annually

Resources:

- 1994 What is a Health Promoting School?
- 1997 Overview of a successful school health promotion project (Booklet 1 WASH Project)
- 1997 School Health Policy Guidelines (Booklet 3 WASH Project)
- 1997 Why teach school health education?



- 2000 Registration of the business 'School Health Coalition'
- 2001 Motion accepted at 26/7/2001 meeting to change the name to: 'WA Health Promoting Schools Association'
- 2001 Erica Davison 1st President of 'WAHPSA' & WA rep for the national committee ACHPER
- Subcommittees in existence: Advocacy & Promotion/Network & links with schools/Professional support
- 2002 Website idea began to grow with suggestion of using Curtin students to develop content
- 2005 Registration of the business 'WA Health Promoting Schools Association Inc'
- Meeting base Department of Education building from 2006
- Presidents Brad Flynn, Sue Dimitrijevich, Debbie Eggleston, Megan Sauzier
- Treasurer 2003 2011: Robyn Bromley
- 2008 Executive Officer Peta Pring
- 2008 Copyright obtained for WAHPSA resources Universities using as part of teacher inservice packs
- Copyright revenue helped ensure future financial viability

Events:

 2001 - Deb Fitzsimons invited members to 'A Health Odyssey' at Cyril Jackson Senior Campus

Awards:

- Maths 'Financial Wiz Award
- English Award
- Quiet Achiever Award
- DUX Award







- Treasurer induction ceremonial hand over of the 'WAHPSA tin'
- Healthway Capacity Building Scholarship (ACHPER Conference) for regional & remote attendees
- 2017 End of the EO role
- 2018 2020 Strategic Plan

Events:

- 2009 AHPSA & WAHPSA Mixing in Healthy Circles Networking Breakfast
- 2010 ACHPER Conference hosted by WAHPSA
 - Dr Robin Cheung, Prof Rob Donovan, Dr Lisa Wood, Dr Stacey Waters, Associate Professor Lawrence St Leger
 - 194 attendees from across Hong Kong, New Zealand, Netherlands and Australia
- 2013 Reflections & Future directions breakfast (satellite event from Positive Schools Conference)
- 2015 Healthy Schools Forum launch of WAHPSA website
- 2015 2019 Networking Breakfasts
- 2016 Annual member survey



Resources:

- 2011 EOI sent to schools with invitation to be a 'Case study school' for 'What is a Health Promoting School' resource
- Michelle Lambert, Sue Dimitrijevich, Sophie Gillies contracted to update the resource
- Comet Bay PS 'revolutionary'
- Resource launched at Mt Lawley SHS

Awards:

- Walk the Talk Award
- Queen of Connections
- STEM Award
- Jack of all Trades Award
- Life Member Award











































The future of WAHPSA

Panel Members:

- Dr Erica Davison
- Dr Robyn Johnston
- Sue Dimitrijevich Health Education Consultant
- Deb Fitzsimons Teacher Cyril Jackson Senior Campus
- 1. What are the biggest barriers faced in schools for health promotion?
- 2. What topics should WAHPSA focus on in the coming year?
- 3. Are there any events you would recommend we host, speakers to be involved or suggested changes to what we host annually?
- 4. Do you have any other suggested ways WAHPSA could improve overall?



2019 WAHPSA Committee

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