



APAC BOARD COMMUNIQUÉ

September 2020

The APAC Board met on September 14th, 2020 via Zoom.

Welcome to our second post-Board communiqué. We have designed this update to give stakeholders a greater insight into the workings of the APAC Board.

Our meeting began with an Acknowledgment of Country and we had ten Board members in attendance online via Zoom.

Accreditation business

The Board considered recommendations from the Accreditation Assessment Committee (AAC) on a wide range of matters including cycle and out-of-cycle accreditation reviews, monitoring of accredited programs, annual reports, programs placed into teach out as well as a range of more administrative decisions such as changes to existing program titles. The type and number of determinations made by the Board are shown below. These are reported to the Psychology Board of Australia who will then make a decision to approve each program for the purpose of registration.

Determination type	Number of providers	Number of programs
Accreditation / re-accreditation	1	20
Program monitoring	5	7
Programs in teach out	5	6
Change to accredited program title	0	0
Addition of new program titles	0	0
Additional campus to deliver an accredited program	1	1
Extension of accreditation expiry	1	1

Other business

The CEO and Communications Manager outlined the new logo design process and provided the story behind each of the new options. The board discussed the concepts and designs and came to an agreement on a new logo which we look forward to introducing to you in upcoming months.

Standard operational business was also discussed. This included reports from the CEO and from myself as Chair as well as the financials being presented. During this time, I informed the board that I had been invited by the PsyBA, as APAC Chair, to be a member of the PsyBA Expert Reference Group to help develop new general psychologist registration standards. There has only been one meeting to date and I will keep the board updated as we move forward.

We also informed the Board that myself and the CEO have been in discussion with the New Zealand Psychology Board (NZPB) on possible collaboration in accreditation functions between the two countries.

The next meeting will be held in October and as it stands it will be via Zoom.

Professor John Dunn

Chair, APAC