

INDUSTRIAL NEWS

Local Government labour markets

The National Review of Local Government Labour Markets has released its third discussion paper on Reciprocity of Qualifications Across States.

The paper examines the existing system related to statutory positions in Local Government around Australia with a view to improving flexibility in Local Government employment. It looks at the functions of existing Registration Boards, the role of professional bodies and the reciprocal agreements concerning qualifications for statutory positions.

The paper suggests three options:

- maintaining the existing Registration/Qualification Boards
- developing a national accreditation system
- abolition of the prescribed requirements for statutory positions

Copies of the paper are available from Louise Lansley at LAA Head Office on request.

Schools project

The consultancy team for the Commonwealth Schools Commission funded Learning and the Information Needs of Schools Project has commenced work. The team consists of:

• Dr Barbara Poston-Anderson, Head of the Department of Information Studies, Kuring-gai CAE, whose special expertise lies in literature research and review, the professional development of teachers and teacher-librarians, and the analysis of library functions.

• Joyce Kirk, lecturer in the Department of Information Studies, KCAE, whose main fields of expertise include developing information skills, programs and strategies appropriate for implementing change in schools.

• Hilary Yerbury who is a lecturer in the Department of Information Studies, KCAE, and has considerable research and consultancy experience and skills in the analysis of information needs and the development of appropriate services.

The consultants have begun the task of gathering information, investigating school libraries, resource centres, information handling and management, and reviewing facility standards. Throughout the project the emphasis will be placed on learning/teaching and curriculum aspects of the project rather than pace requirements and functional standards, although these aspects will also be researched and recommendations made.

The final product is expected to be an attractive and easily readable document which will assist in planning for meeting individual school's needs in the area of learning and information needs. The report is expected to be completed and ready for publication by the end of September 1988.

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Application forms available from:

School of Library
and Information Studies,
Kuring-gai College
of Advanced Education,
Eton Road,
(PO) Box 222,
Lindfield NSW 2070
Phone: (02) 467 9250

Change in Membership Renewal Date

The General Council has changed the date for renewal of membership of the Association. From 1988 membership will need to be renewed by the end of February for members to retain their financial status.

Council considers that with renewal notices being posted in early December, this should give ample time for payment. It will also allow the Association to plan its financial year more satisfactorily.

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Application forms and further details available from the Staff Officer, Orange Agricultural College, PO Box 883, Orange, NSW 2800 (063) 63 5530.
Applications close 13 November 1987.