Victorian Home Education Advisory Committee

Meeting 7: 7 August 2018

**Communiqué**

The seventh meeting of the Victorian Home Education Advisory Committee (VHEAC) was held in Melbourne on Tuesday, 7 August 2018. Committee members discussed a range of issues relating to the implementation and operation of the regulatory changes to home education.

**Implementation**

* The Victorian Registration and Qualifications Authority (VRQA) provided an update on the second quarter data on home schooling registration applications since the commencement of the new Regulations in January 2018.
* The VRQA also provided an update on the reviews of home schooling registrations which commenced in April 2018. Over 100 successful reviews have been conducted to date.
* The VRQA presented a paper on the retention of records provided by home schooling families during a review. The VRQA will lead further discussion on this issue with the Public Records Office Victoria.

**Other business**

* The Department of Education and Training provided an update on the evaluation of Skills First.
* The Home Education Network presented the results of their Home Educator Survey. The diversity of the factors and reasons for choosing home education was noted by the committee.
* VHEAC will next meet on 8 November 2018.

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