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Annual Full Council FAQ's

What is the purpose of the Annual Full Council?

An opportunity for school members to come together; reflect on the recent work of NTCOGSO, hear from education leaders and discuss the motions put forward by schools.

Who can attend?

Any affiliate of NTCOGSO can attend.

Is there a cost?

There's no cost for the Annual Full Council event. NTCOGSO also has a modest budget and can support School Rep Body members with remote travel and accommodation. Please note, members presenting a Motion on the day will be prioritised for travel support.

What is a Motion?

A Motion is a proposal for the meeting which may, order something to be done, authorise past or proposed action, express the Full Council's opinion about a matter or deal in some way with the business of the meeting.

Motion example: *“THAT NT COGSO advocate for a Primary School Transition Policy and Guidelines to be developed and implemented by the Department of Education to support students and families during the important transition from primary to middle school.*

The Primary School Transition Policy and Guidelines must incorporate remote students and families, including, but not limited to, additional support by the department working with families in collaboration.”

Motions for the Annual Full Council are first authorised by your School Council/Board or your Regional Council and then submitted to NTCOGSO. Motions will be carried, amended or denied by the Annual Full Council on the day.

Why should our school submit a Motion?

Motions carried at the Annual Full Council will be advocated for by the NTCOGSO Executive including but not limited to, formal correspondence to the relevant parties, conducting meetings and liaising with media where appropriate in conjunction with the School Representative Body. By submitting a Motion, it is expected that the School Representative Body has advocated independantly and requires the additional support of Full Council.



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Can our school submit a Motion which has not already been actioned by the School Council or School Board?

Please contact NTCOGSO to discuss your proposed Motion prior to submitting.

Will I be expected to nominate for a position?

No, definitely not. The AGM is a small part of the day. Nominations have already been submitted by those interested in the role of President, Vice-President, or Treasurer prior to the day. In the unlikely event that there needs to be a call for nominations from the floor, no one is ever pressured to nominate.

What can we expect on the day?

You will be warmly welcomed and introduced to the NTCOGSO staff and members.

You will have an opportunity to network with other school members.

You will have an opportunity to hear from and talk with - the Minister for Education and the Chief Executive.

Morning tea, lunch and afternoon tea are provided.

Where is the event held?

The Mercure Darwin Airport Resort - 1 Sir Norman Brearley Drive, Marrara.

*Remember every person in the room is a parent of a child in a government school
- just like you!*