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PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS COMMITTEE	
Type	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Standing ▪ Advisory (to the Association Council)
Membership	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Members are appointed by Council for three-year terms which are renewable ▪ The chair is nominated by the Council, and is to be a Councillor ▪ There are between three and six other members with appropriate experience and expertise in leading and monitoring Child Protection compliance in and across a range of Catholic schools and other Catholic entities. ▪ The Marist Schools Australia Child Safe Guarding and Compliance Officer is a member of the Committee and its Executive Officer.
Purpose and scope	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The purpose of the Committee is to provide Council with assurance on the quality of processes for education, reporting, management and evaluation of child safe policies and practices by all who lead, work and volunteer in Association Ministries. ▪ To advise Council on developments, emphases and requirements of Catholic Professional Standards Limited and other relevant civil authorities as they may impact on Association Ministries and their responsibilities for the safety of children. ▪ The Council may direct other tasks to the Committee from time to time ▪ The Committee may appoint one or more ad hoc sub-committees or task-forces to address specific or short-term matters
Deliverables	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The Committee: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - assists with the revision and development of Association-level child protection standards which assure the safeguarding of the children and young people with whom the Association is involved, and the professional conduct of personnel; - has a means for providing assurance to the Association Council that the Marist child protection standards are being met by each school and ministry conducted by the Association; - receives and considers an annual report from each ministry leader or Director, concerning the ways matters have been managed - receives and considers an annual report from the Boards of Marist 180 and AMS, describing how each Board has been assured that suitable policies and protocols regarding child protection are being implemented.
Meeting arrangements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Meetings are scheduled by the Chair at least four times per year ▪ Meetings may be in person or preferably held via videoconference ▪ The agenda is set by the Chair. The agenda and meeting papers are circulated by the EO of the Committee to members at least two days before a meeting. ▪ A quorum is made up of half the members plus one ▪ A declaration of interest is a standard item of business ▪ The Committee operates within the same Code of Conduct as the Council
Reporting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Meetings are minuted in a manner prescribed by the EO of the Council. The EO of the Committee takes the minutes. ▪ Draft minutes are sent by the EO to the Chair and Members and the EO of the Council within five working days of the meeting. ▪ Minutes of the most recent meeting are tabled at the following meeting of Council, and are presented by the Chair.