Name of the Association
The name of the Association shall be Lutheran Principals Australia (LPA).

Membership
- Members of LPA will include all principals in Lutheran schools from across Australia.
- Members will pay a levy through LEA to cover costs incurred by the Association.

The Executive
The Executive shall:
- consist of six members. Two members will be elected from each of the three regions by the members of the three regions. A representative balance across the range of schools i.e. Primary, Secondary and F-12 schools should be maintained.
- serve for a three year period
- conduct the business of the Association and meet at least four times per year.
- elect the chair from its own membership.
- plan the strategic direction for the Association and present this for consideration to the membership at the National Lutheran Principals Conference.
- oversee the work of the Executive Officer and review this role.
- act as the conference committee for the biennial conferences.

The Chair
The Chair shall:
- represent the Association at regular meetings with the Executive Director of Lutheran Education Australia and the College of Directors.
- represent the Association at the national level as required.
- work closely with the Executive Officer to coordinate the activities of the Association.

The Executive Officer
The Executive Officer shall:
- act as an ex-officio member of the Executive, and provide secretarial support to the Executive and Association.
- communicate regularly on behalf of the Association with the Executive Director of Lutheran Education Australia and the College of Directors.
- communicate regularly with the Executive, Chair and members of the Association.
- oversee the projects and operations of the Association.
- represent the Association as required.

Purpose of the Association
Lutheran Principals Australia will support the national community of Lutheran schools and principals and the College of Directors in furthering the aims of Lutheran education across Australia.
As an association, LPA seeks to encourage professional growth for existing and aspiring principals by:
1. promoting ongoing learning through engagement with relevant research and innovative programs, and via exposure to educational issues of national importance.
2. facilitating avenues through which collegial support can exist.
3. providing a voice for Lutheran principals, and supporting Lutheran principals as they seek to represent the view of Lutheran education on peak national bodies.
It is clearly understood that the decisions of LPA cannot infringe on the governance and management of schools or Lutheran Education Australia, nationally and regionally.
Roles of the Association

1) To promote ongoing learning through engagement with relevant research and innovative programs, and via exposure to educational issues of national importance:
   – Professional study tours and short courses
   – Encouraging membership of other professional organisations
   – Through a national website share the professional development that is occurring within schools
   – Disseminate information on professional development opportunities for principals
   – Contribute to the ongoing development and understanding of excellence in Christian Education adding to the professional literature in this area

2) To facilitate avenues through which collegial support can exist:
   – Professional sharing, shadowing, mentoring and collegial friendship
   – Promote personal well being of principals by coordinating research from each region to share in developing a national approach to principal health and well being
   – Develop a culture of sharing and openness relating to physical, social, spiritual and emotional health
   – Develop a culture of career planning for principals

3) To provide a voice for Lutheran principals, and support for Lutheran principals as they seek to represent the view of Lutheran education on peak national bodies:
   – Through a national website, encourage networking and sharing of professional views and learning
   – Encourage development of school partnerships
   – Through meetings at the National Lutheran Principals Conference held every two years
   – Seeking of information at regional conferences and providing input where appropriate
   – Regular meetings of LPA with the College of Directors
   – Encourage the further development of succession planning in Lutheran leadership at every level
   – Provide input to the visioning process for Lutheran education nationally, and for the LCA into the future

National Lutheran Principals Conference
It is the role of the Association to plan and manage the biennial National Lutheran Principals Conference in accordance with the policy of the Board for Lutheran Education Australia National Principal Conference Protocols which outlines the conference purpose, context and protocols.