

**DECISIONS BY THE BOARD OF STUDIES MEETING
FEBRUARY 10, 2004**

1. *Nationally Consistent Curriculum Outcomes:*

National Statements of Learning in English, Science, Mathematics, and Civics and Citizenship. The Board noted two tabled papers, one being Responses to consultation issues across the States and Territories on draft Statements of Learning for English and the other being updated Statements of Learning for English. The Board agreed that it should advise the Deputy Premier that, while the Statements of Learning for English are generally consistent with the NSW English curriculum, there are nevertheless fundamental issues about the purpose and use of the Statements which the Board considers as matters of concern. The Board endorsed the draft response provided by the Office of the Board to the project team through the NSW representative on the Steering Committee. The Board resolved that points raised in discussion form the basis of advice to the Minister (forthcoming).

2. *Exercise and Sports Studies Years 7-10 Content Endorsed Course Draft Writing Brief*

The Board noted the consultation report on the above draft writing brief and agreed that the writing brief should be endorsed.

3. *2003 School Certificate Grade Monitoring Report*

The Board noted the results of the monitoring of 2003 School Certificate grades.

4. *Syllabus Revision Progress Report*

The Board noted the progress report on the revision of syllabuses and support material development.