School council code of conduct

(Conduct: (noun) personal behaviour; way of acting; bearing, or deportment)

Each member of the school council is expected to participate by acting with justice, compassion, integrity, and honouring the dignity and wisdom of others by adopting the following code of conduct (not in priority order):

The school
1. actively embracing and promoting the mission and values of the school
2. not intruding into the role of the principal as manager of the school
3. not making public statements on behalf of the school
4. taking shared responsibility for the stewardship of the school

Statutory requirements
5. complying with the spirit and letter of the law
6. acting honestly, in good faith, and in the best interests of the school
7. complying with ASIC requirements and those of other regulatory bodies
8. refraining from making improper use of information
9. respecting privacy and confidentiality

Meetings
10. attending all school council and committee meetings as required
11. undertaking the reading and preparation required for meetings
12. retaining necessary documents with care and security
13. if unable to attend a council meeting, forward apologies in a timely manner

Decision making
14. demonstrating solidarity by being loyal to school council decisions, even if personally opposed to the decision
15. engaging in ongoing learning activities related to school governing processes
16. regarding dissent and disagreement as important to decision making
17. keep an open mind and be willing to enter into dialogue through being alert to alternative solutions
18. devoting adequate time to allow for full and active participation in decision making
19. being independent in judgement and actions and take all reasonable steps to be satisfied as to the soundness of the decisions
20. openly declaring any potential, perceived, or actual, conflicts of interest
21. resolving disputes or grievances with respect and fairness to others