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Students walk the talk

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THE days of a simple class election to decide school captains are long gone.

Robina High School's 2012 school leaders were announced at an academic awards night at the Gold Coast Arts Centre last Wednesday - after a month-long, five-step nomination process.

Congratulations were flowing for captains Allie Speers and Phillip Choi, vice captains Dion Haddad and Told Yorulmaz and student council president Alynna Wong at the school on Thursday - delaying the student representatives from having their victory snap taken for the paper.

Year 11 co-ordinator Daniel Norton-Smith described what was required of leader applicants.

"The students had to fulfil criteria in a written submission; people successful after that point had an interview with the principal, followed by a speech addressing the entire school. Then the individual student and teacher votes were considered," he said.

Female captain Allie Speers, who hopes to become a novelist or features writer when she graduates, said she felt she had been given a unique opportunity to contribute to the school community.

"During the year I would like to oversee the introduction of a school newspaper run by Year 12s," she said.

"I see it as a great forum for communication and a way to engage the school population."

Phillip Choi wants to earn an OP 1 at the conclusion of Year 12 and wants to change stereotypes that exist within school boundaries.

"People can be judgemental of how other people look," he said.

"I wanted to challenge the idea that Asian people are quiet and don't have the qualities of a good leader.

"I'd like to see heightened sense of togetherness in the school; I don't want to see people being left out."

Student council president Alynna Wong arrived in Australia from Malaysia only 10 months ago.

"I came to Australia to access quality education. I want to make a positive contribution to the school," she said.

"I'll be working with the P&C to organise free group activities, accessible to all students."

The group will attend their first official school function when they participate in the 2011 Impact Student Leadership Conference at Coolangatta tomorrow.



REPRESENT: Newly elected school leaders Dion Haddad, Allie Speers, Alynna Wong, Tolga Yorulmaz and Phillip Choi walk the walk at Robina High School.

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