

CANDIDATES FOR DIRECTOR

in the order shown on the Ballot Paper

CECILE CORNFORD

Standing For: Director
Proposer: Shirley Hunt
Present Position: Vice President

PAUL REID

Standing For: Director
Proposer: Steve Warren
Present Position: Vice President

DENIS MOCKLER

Standing For: Director
Proposer: Max Williams
Present Position: Director

JANET TIMBERG

Standing For: Director
Proposer: Nola Bramble
Present Position: N/A

MAX WILLIAMS

Standing For: Director
Proposer: Winsome Allen
Present Position: Treasurer

ROBERT LEEDER

Standing For: Director
Proposer: Jaz Stephens, OAM
Present Position: N/A

PAUL HINCHEY

Standing For: Director
Proposer: Max Williams
Present Position: N/A

CANDIDATE PROFILE

Election of Directors
Tuesday, 12th March 2019



CECILE CORNFORD

Standing For: Director

Proposer: Shirley Hunt

Present Position: Vice President

Statement

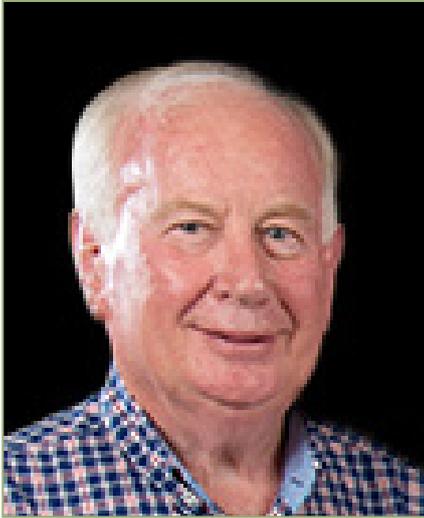
In my working life, I have always been in Customer Service as a former Air Hostess, doctor's receptionist, banking officer and SMSA librarian. My time in the Board has been very rewarding and interesting. I am very passionate about the School, its library and its history. It is a rare part of Sydney and I hope it continues to thrive well into the future. It is up to the Board and our members to continue to support this wonderful institution.

Biography

As a former SMSA Librarian and recent Board member, I have enjoyed being involved in the School and helping with its progress. I am an avid reader and love the Library. My interests are varied: travel, history, theatre, film, art and science are my leisure activities. I now have 2 grandchildren and they are keeping me busy. Cuthbert's is a wonderful addition, and keeps a lot of members in touch with each other. I have always enjoyed working in Customer Service and love meeting new people and current members.

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DENIS MOCKLER

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Proposer: Max Williams

Present Position: Director

Statement

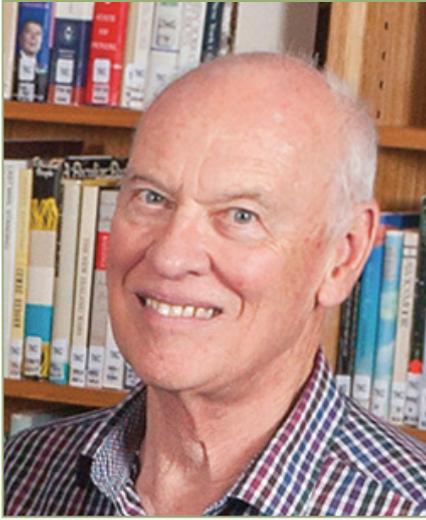
- I have been a member of the SMSA for over 12 years and have held a number of positions including President, Vice President and Director.
- During this time, I have seen the SMSA develop into a more active and financially stronger body. Our speakers programs are now more diverse. We are in a good position to celebrate our 200th anniversary.
- I would like to maintain my involvement as a Director to help ensure that the SMSA meets its aims regarding maintaining the Library and our members.

Biography

I am a lawyer and Principal of a small legal firm, having previously worked in the public service and private enterprise. Since joining the SMSA, I have been a Director, Treasurer, Vice President and am the immediate past President. My knowledge of the SMSA and all of its activities qualifies me to ensure that the SMSA meets its strategic aims.

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MAX WILLIAMS

Standing For: Director
Proposer: Winsome Allen

Present Position: Treasurer

Statement

My membership of the SMSA goes back many years and my involvement at Board and Management level has provided me with the insight that I believe will allow me to contribute to the ongoing development of an old but progressive organisation. My goal as a Director of the SMSA would be to continue with the planning for the long term future of the School so as to ensure it has the resources to maintain existing facilities enjoyed by its members and to meet the challenges new technologies will bring.

Biography

I retired from corporate life after a career in financial services in both the public and private sectors. Prior to retiring, I was engaged in financial management for a large General Insurer and held the role of Company Secretary of a Computer Facilities Management Company. I assisted the SMSA as Acting Secretary for a period in 2010 and joined the Board of the School in 2013. I have chaired the Building Committee, the Strategic Planning Committee and I am currently the Treasurer of SMSA. My outside interests revolve around a large family including many grandchildren who provide a very enjoyable distraction.

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PAUL HINCHEY

Standing For: Director
Proposer: Max Williams

Present Position: N/A

Statement

Since retiring in 2011, I have the opportunity to add value working in and with the SMSA Board. My background in engineering and, later, in the corporate world as well as 21 years teaching engineering students aligns my thoughts and beliefs with the foundations of the SMSA. I am enthusiastic, trustworthy and I believe I have a great deal to contribute. I served as an officer in the RAAF Active Reserves for 33 years to January 2017, rising to the rank of Squadron Leader.

Biography

I initially did my apprenticeship as an aircraft maintenance engineer, joining Qantas in 1970. I served different posts in engineering to 1979 then moving into corporate and marketing, planning and managerial roles to 1989. In 1990, I resigned from Qantas and joined TAFE NSW teaching aircraft maintenance to engineering apprentices. My last 10 years at TAFE NSW was as the senior head teacher at the Aeroskills Division at Padstow TAFE.

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PAUL REID

Standing For: Director
Proposer: Steve Warren

Present Position: Vice President

Statement

I have been a member of the Sydney Mechanics School of Arts (SMSA) for over 10 years and have served on our School's Board of Directors for a similar period. I wish to continue to be of service to the School for another term on the Board as I believe that I will act in what I feel is in the best interests of the SMSA and its membership. Ours is a very historic organisation, last year celebrating its 185th birthday, which over the years has had to overcome many obstacles. Already our Board is planning for our 200th birthday, which if I am fortunate enough, I hope to attend.

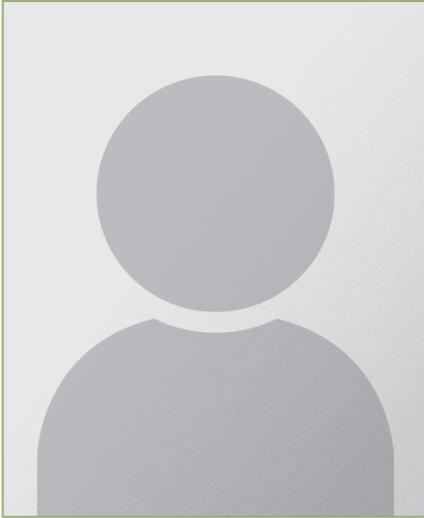
Biography

I am a father of 3 adult children and grandfather to 4 beautiful children, 2 boys and 2 girls. Although now retired from full-time work, I have set up a consultancy to advise on workplace relations and political advocacy. This will allow me to dedicate adequate time and effort to my role as a Director on the SMSA. As well as serving as a Director I have also served as President for 4 years, 1 year as acting President, and several years as Vice President and Chair of the Governance Committee. Even though the SMSA is a Not-For-Profit organisation the issue of good governance is essential to the health of our School.

My outside interests are travel, theatre, cinema, exploring Tasmania, and my family.

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JANET TIMBERG

Standing For: Director

Proposer: Nola Bramble

Present Position: N/A

Statement

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ROBERT LEEDER

Standing For: Director

Proposer: Jaz Stephens OAM

Present Position: N/A

Statement

As a professional who has had a long association with the SMSA (see below), I am standing because I believe in the organisation's unique role and importance to:

- its lending library members;
- the broader education sector; and
- the wider community (as a major contributor to Sydney's culture, industry, society and politics). I want to play my part in enhancing and ensuring the continuity of the SMSA's heritage of success and its unique role as Australia's longest running lending library, as a high quality adult education provider, and as a forum for high level public debates of contemporary social and intellectual issues.

I would bring to the SMSA Board:

- Considerable "corporate knowledge" relating to the organisation, based on my prior experience as a SMSA Board member.
- A unique combination of skills and insight, based on my legal training, 20 years' work in policy development, and 10 years' experience of working in London and New York
- Strong committee management skills based on substantial experience of managing policy and management committees.

Biography

I am a:

- Former SMSA:
 - Grants Program Recipient (whilst at university),
 - Board Member; and
 - Vice President.
- Corporate Legal Practitioner (I hold a current practising certificate, and qualified as a solicitor in 1996)