

# Candidates for Director

in the order shown on the Ballot Paper, randomly drawn.

## Denis Mockler

**Proposer:** Elizabeth McKenzie

**Present Position:** Treasurer

## Jane Biscoe

**Proposer:** Paul J. Reid

**Present Position:** N/A

## Stephen Newton

**Proposer:** David Michael Bowen

**Present Position:** Director

## Maxwell Williams

**Proposer:** Elizabeth McKenzie

**Present Position:** N/A

## Brian Johnston

**Proposer:** Maxwell Williams

**Present Position:** N/A

## Cecile Cornford

**Proposer:** David Michael Bowen

**Present Position:** Director

## Christine Campbell

**Proposer:** Lesley Scanlon

**Present Position:** Director



### **DENIS MOCKLER**

**Standing For:** Director

**Proposer:** Elizabeth McKenzie

**Present Position:** Treasurer

### **Statement**

Post COVID it is important that the SMSA retains the stable core of management. The current team are well equipped to ensure that our organisation enjoys its 200<sup>th</sup> Birthday.

In the various roles that I have filled I believe that I am able to play an important part in the SMSA Management Team.

### **Biography**

I am the principal of a small legal team who enjoys helping clients, often on a pro bono basis.

My experience, both as a solicitor and in various roles in the SMSA, have enabled me to help SMSA through the recent difficult times as well as helping to expand its role during the good times, including financially and services.



### **JANE BISCOE**

**Standing For:** Director

**Proposer:** Paul J. Reid

**Present Position:** N/A

### **Statement**

The importance of community organisations such as our own SMSA cannot be overstated. This has been clearly demonstrated during the COVID lockdown when so many of us relied on our connections and community groups to sustain us. I would like to do whatever I can to ensure that SMSA continues to offer such connections via its events, talks, groups and the ever popular library. Let's all come together and support SMSA as we head towards the remarkable achievement of 200 years of service to our community.

### **Biography**

Prior to retirement I worked as a health professional across Government, Non-Government and NFP organisations.

Post retirement I have been able to pursue my interest in education and life long learning. This lead to my volunteering with WEA (Workers Education Australia) and serving as a director on their Board for several years including two as President.

In December 2019 I was appointed to the SMSA Board to fill a casual vacancy. I stood down from this during the 2021 COVID lockdown to support my family with young grandchildren.



### **STEPHEN NEWTON**

**Standing For:** Director

**Proposer:** David Michael Bowen

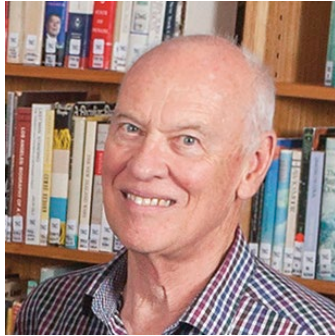
**Present Position:** Director

### **Statement**

I see the School as a civilising force in Sydney and wish to see it grow by attracting new and different members from all parts of society.

### **Biography**

I am a lawyer with extensive experience in governance and compliance in corporate settings. I have enjoyed reading all my life and have particular interests in history, philosophy, fantasy and adventure novels.



### **MAXWELL WILLIAMS**

**Standing For:** Director  
**Proposer:** Elizabeth McKenzie  
**Present Position:** N/A

### **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 contribute to the planning for the long term future of the School and to ensure it has the resources to maintain existing facilities enjoyed by its members and to meet the challenges the post pandemic 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 was Treasurer of SMSA from 2017 until 2019. My outside interests revolve around a large family including many grandchildren who provide a very enjoyable distraction.



### **BRIAN JOHNSTON**

**Standing For:** Director  
**Proposer:** Maxwell Williams  
**Present Position:** N/A

### **Statement**

The School has a substantial history of successfully supporting educational and social development activities in the broader community. The challenge is for the School to continue to evolve to enable it to play a significant role long into the future. I have the skills and experience to make a positive contribution to planning for that future, as well as carrying out the responsibilities of a Director in accordance with the School's ethos.

### **Biography**

I have had a substantial professional career in senior management roles in the health industry, which included more than twelve years as Chief Executive of a not-for-profit member based organisation. I also had the privilege of being the Secretary of SMSA for a period of 4 years that concluded in late 2019. I am a Fellow of the Australian Institute of Company Directors. I have significant knowledge of and experience with the exercising of responsibilities of a Director, particularly in the not-for-profit sector.



### **CECILE CORNFORD**

**Standing For:** Director

**Proposer:** David Michael Bowen

**Present Position:** Director

### **Statement**

As a former SMSA librarian, I have been a member of the School for many years. Being an avid reader and lover of literature I am passionate about maintaining the quality of good reading in our wonderful and unique library. I have been a Vice President of Membership & Library Services. I am standing for re-election because I am passionate about upholding the traditions and visions of our past history so it may continue well into the future.

### **Biography**

I have a background in banking and finance and have been a librarian and held this position at the SMSA for 17 years. My interests include travel, reading, theatre, history and science.



### **CHRISTINE CAMPBELL**

**Standing For:** Director

**Proposer:** Lesley Scanlon

**Present Position:** Director

### **Statement**

I am a senior leader in the not-for-profit sector with over 12 years' experience across income generation, marketing and communications, business development and strategy.

The last 10 years of my career has seen me advise Boards and Chief Executive Officer's as they equip themselves to work with the changing landscape of the sector. I extended my scope and have become a Board member of Jannawi Connections, the fundraising Board for the child protection NFP, Jannawi Family Centre in Western Sydney.

### **Biography**

Christine is the National Marketing and Communication Manager at the Property Industry Foundation, which brings together the property and construction industry to build homes for homeless youth. Prior to taking on this role in 2020 she spent more than 15 years leading marketing, communication and fundraising teams for Odyssey House NSW, Youth Off The Streets and the Leukaemia Foundation. She is an experienced team leader with a demonstrated history of working in the not-for-profit industry, and is skilled in working on Executive teams in non profit organisations, branding and identity, strategic planning, communications, community engagement and fundraising.