

CANDIDATE FOR THE P&C MEMBER POSITION ON THE CAMPBELL HIGH SCHOOL BOARD

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I am humbly seeking the opportunity to serve the Campbell High School community via a position on the Campbell High School Board.

I have two children at Campbell High School: Teagan in Year 10 and Aidan in Year 7, both of whom have also previously attended Campbell Primary School. Although Teagan is in her third year at CHS, I will not be well known amongst staff or other parents as I am typically unable to attend P&C meetings, fundraisers or even get to the school during operating hours. I believe service on the School Board is the best match for my skills, experience and availability as meetings and all preparation for them can occur outside normal working hours!

I have previous ACT School Board experience as one of two P&C members and Board Chair for Campbell Primary School Board in 2010/11. I bring almost 30 years experience in Defence employment with a strong background in governance roles, negotiation, leadership and mentoring. I currently hold volunteer governance roles with Motorcycling NSW and Orienteering ACT and have significant junior development program (coaching) experience in Surf Life Saving and Orienteering.

I believe I do my best work as part of a diverse team; I'm a collaborative problem solver with significant experience in high value negotiations and proven ability to find win-win outcomes. I have previously developed successful grant submissions for sporting and school organisations in the ACT.

Personal highlights of my time on the Campbell Primary School Board included:

- securing a grant for a retrofit of energy saving lights and installation of solar panels – with smart meters to support educational outcomes, and
- facilitating agreement (and restoring harmony) between stakeholders during significant change management activity related to moving Campbell After School Activity Centre (CASAC) from the main school building into the (then) new 'Building the Education Revolution' (BER) building.

If successful in gaining a position on the Campbell High School Board, my focus will be on sound governance and strategies that will enable Campbell High School to continue delivering excellent educational outcomes.