

## Seeking Expressions of Interest for New Board Members

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The Bishops of NSW invite Expressions of Interest for the Board of Catholic Schools NSW (**CSNSW**). Candidates should support the philosophy, values and aims of the Catholic Church and be willing to contribute their expertise in collaboration with Board and other colleagues, consistent with good governance.

**CSNSW** was established in 2017 by the bishops as an **incorporated charity** registered with the Australian Charities and Not-for-Profits Commission to act as an overarching entity for the purpose of advancing education and religion in Catholic schools in NSW. CSNSW works in collaboration with proprietors of schools but does not operate schools. **Specific functions** include:

- the peak representative body for Catholic schools in NSW;
- the funding authority under Commonwealth and NSW legislation for about \$4 billion annually of recurrent and capital funding (principally through Diocesan schools offices), with associated compliance and reporting obligations;
- reporting to bishops on relevant matters, including education and faith outcomes; and
- (likely shortly) the Catholic schools registration authority under the NSW Education Act.

**The Board** comprises up to 10 people drawn from a range of expertise and backgrounds that preferably reflect the diversity of the Catholic population and the challenges of Catholic education, including in regional and remote contexts. **Areas of Expertise required of the Board include:** Governance, Education, Legal & Compliance, Canon Law, Civil Law, Advocacy, Government Relations, Church Administration.

**Board members** are expected to familiarise themselves with relevant legislation, the role, responsibilities and operations of CSNSW, and undertake relevant training offered by the Australian Institute of Company Directors.

**Annual Time Commitment:** 10 Board meetings (held during the day, typically face to face); 1 Strategy & Risk Workshop; 2 Board Stakeholder Days; 1 Formation Day; and participation in one or more of the 6 Board Committees (each possibly 4 to 6 meetings, typically online).

**Remuneration:** Yes, plus reasonably incurred expenses are reimbursed.

**For further information about CSNSW** see, for example, 2021 CSNSW Annual Report - [https://www.csnsw.catholic.edu.au/media\\_and\\_advocacy/2021-annual-report/](https://www.csnsw.catholic.edu.au/media_and_advocacy/2021-annual-report/)

**Applications:** Please email your CV and an Expression of Interest that sets out your expertise, experience and the nature of your interest in the role **by COB, Friday 12 May** to:

[CompanySecretary@csnsw.catholic.edu.au](mailto:CompanySecretary@csnsw.catholic.edu.au)