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Committee of Governance

Profile of Candidate for Election 2024-2025

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Why did you nominate for the SNH Committee of Governance?

I am already a committee member and have thoroughly enjoyed this role, believing there is still much work to be done, particularly as we move towards a new phase of leadership (manager) and hopefully beyond Covid.

What areas, groups or special interests will you represent while on the Committee?

I am particularly interested in a number of areas, interest groups including: communication, improving IT, enhancing and broadening the House's role within the community – particularly with youth, CALD and Aboriginal families.

I have a keen interest in all things Green and would love to be involved in the CoG's role in improving the House's policy in this regard. I am also very interested in how we maintain traditions - ensuring everything people love about the House, the culture, is maintained and encouraged how do we capture other voices, interest groups eg older people, single parent families, older men, - and lots to get involved in.

What do you wish to achieve during your tenure and as an active member of Committee?

I wish to achieve a greater sense of community for myself, SNH and for the CoG, the House. I would love to be able to walk around the community and for the general public to 'know' there is SNH. I still think there is a general lack of knowledge and understanding about Sussex NH.

I would hope my tenure achieves an implementation of systems and mechanisms which extend to safety, security and stability of the staff, community and CoG regarding risk management, IT and communication, ensuring there is an updated computer and software package to meet the needs of above; train the trainer...etc

Qualifications, Certifications & Associations

- Bachelor of Social Work
- Certificate IV TAE 2017
- Diploma of Family History

Work & Activity History over the last 10 years

I work at both DET: LOOKOUT Centre as a Practice Lead for Children & Young People in out of home care while also working at DFFH: Child protection with various roles namely as Practice Leader working with children, families regarding identifying risk, improving outcomes for safety, stability and developmental needs for children and young people particularly for those in out of home care.



Claire Martin

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After retiring from 30 years of full time employment in office administration, management and private assistant roles within the mental health sector of the health industry, where I gained a vast knowledge of management project structures, I realized that there was an opportunity to bring that expertise to the House and assist in maintaining the standing of SNH within the community in promoting programs and projects.

What areas, groups or special interests will you represent while on the Committee?

I will continue to give ongoing support to the SNH by advocating for and being a representative of the House at Seminars, Focus Groups, Presentations and Fundraising opportunities. Also, in being part of the House offering the very best quality programs, projects and events to every member of the local community.

Advocate for the different generations and multicultural diversity of the community surrounding the House community.

What do you wish to achieve during your tenure and as an active member of Committee?

To actively support the House in its endeavour to deliver interesting, and challenging programs and events to all the community.

Qualifications, Certifications & Associations

- Highly developed Office Management skills.
- Professional training in Human Resources, Public Relations/ Communications, and IT.
- Trained in, and implemented, a new electronic program to replace a paper based system of
- Critical Incident reporting for the Health Industry.
- Administering a large budget in a program supplying financial support to carers of clients with a mental illness.

Work & Activity History over the last 10 years

In 2007 I returned to a part time position in the mental health sector until 2016. At the same time until present, I became an active member and volunteer of the House, and joined the Committee of Governance, holding roles of Assistant Secretary, Secretary and Chair.



Elisabeth Ta

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My parents, who are both refugees, instilled the importance of giving back to the community that embraced them when they arrived to Australia. During the pandemic I was searching for a way to reconnect with my local community and SNH was a perfect fit, as it looked like a great opportunity to use my skills to make a difference.

What areas, groups or special interests will you represent while on the Committee?

I've lived in the local area for over 30 years and have seen how the demographic has changed. I love art and music and love learning new skills. I believe that once you are determined to learn no one can stop you.

What do you wish to achieve during your tenure and as an active member of Committee?

I hope to see SNH become a place for the local community to meet and learn again. SNH during covid was a little quiet. I would love to see the facility being used to its full potential and help the local community, whether its upskilling or connecting with people. I hope to see SNH thrive and ensure the longevity of the House.

Qualifications, Certifications & Associations

- Member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants
- Bachelor of Business

Work & Activity History over the last 10 years

I have over 10 years' experience in financial services, working in both public and private practices. I was an auditor for NFP for a number of years and gain a great appreciation for the work charity perform in society.

I started volunteering at a young age with my parents at local fund raisers. As I matured, I started using my financial services background to help local charities like Don Bosco and Australian Vietnamese Christian Association Incorporate.

Jay Balakrishna

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I would like to contribute to this neighbourhood committee in some meaningful way, given my experience and expertise in areas like risk management, compliance and governance.

What areas, groups or special interests will you represent while on the Committee?

Risk management, governance, and compliance as well as refugee rights and advocacy.

What do you wish to achieve during your tenure and as an active member of Committee?

I would like to see some positive developments, render assistance in these areas for the benefit of this organisation and the practice of some best standards including align with strategy.

Qualifications, Certifications & Associations

- Legal practitioner of Supreme Court of NSW.
- Fellow of the Governance Institute of Australia
- Member of RMIA
- Associate member of Law Society of NSW
- Bachelor of Economics (hons)
- Postgraduate Diploma in Law
- Postgraduate Diploma in Applied Risk Management & Corporate Governance

Work & Activity History over the last 10 years

- International Programs Risk Advisor, Save the Children Australia
- Contractor undertaking Assurance Review for HESTA - mapping risk/assurance following Australian Prudential Regulatory Authority (APRA) and Australian Institute of Superannuation Trustees (AIST) standards
- Compliance Specialist, Monash College P/L
- Senior Analyst, (Regulatory Compliance, Investments) AustralianSuper
- Executive Director, Compliance, Goldman Sachs Asset Management (GSAM)
- Head, Regulatory Business, KFH Asset Management
- Assistant Head, Trusts & Investment Management Department of the Issues and Investment Division of the Securities Commission Malaysia (SCM)



Kristina Didelis

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Why did you nominate for the SNH Committee of Governance?

"Alone, we can do so little; together we can do so much..." - Helen Keller

Community is important to me; I grew up and reside in Glenroy and volunteering is a way to give a little back to an extra ordinary wellspring of people. My passion is about creating a positive future for people by tapping into our rich cultural and diverse socio makeup. I feel a strong alignment with the values of SNH and would be proud to be a part of and learn from a dedicated team of individuals who can make a difference in the lives of so many.

What areas, groups or special interests will you represent while on the Committee?

I have a genuine interest in helping people and value their wellbeing no matter their age, gender or ability. This is by encouraging people's talents and wisdom and by enabling them to enrich their careers, educational, learning and creative journeys.

It is a great way to strengthen community...by supporting people and empowering them to 'live their lives and be in their best'.

What do you wish to achieve during your tenure and as an active member of Committee?

Work with SNH to continue to make the House a safe and neutral haven for people in regard to creating social connection and inclusion and everyday learning for whether it be for pleasure, gaining new skills or just a friendly get together and chat over a cuppa. As the career transitions coach, I would like to see a strategy for local and sustainable jobs and assistance for those who are experiencing employment barriers and courses for Job apps, resumes and interview skills. Finally as the artist and maker I would like to build on the existing arts and crafts offerings by establishing immersive and creative community projects. What better way to induce collective healing than by making something together, telling stories and by using our hands and hearts to create.

Qualifications, Certifications & Associations

- Graduate Diploma Vocational Education and Training (Melb Uni)
- Bachelor of Fine Arts (RMIT)
- Cert 1V Training

Accreditations:

NLP Practitioner and Coach

Work & Activity History over the last 10 years

- **KMD Associates – Director and Contractor 1998 – Current**
- **Client Base – Higher Ed, Public & Private Sector.** Provision of targeted learning and development solutions to organisations. Soft Skills approach, encouragement of continuous learning, managing change and coaching and mentoring
- **Project Ed People 2014 – Current.** People and learning solutions, building high functioning and engaged people and teams
- **Career Transition and Outplacement Services.** Coaching support for career transition and redeployment. Employment Services.
- **'Create and Make'** provision of running workshops/installations that promote wellbeing/mind fullness in workplaces, the community and in schools. Helping to build individual resilience, coping with ever changing world and working together in teams.



Daniel Brugaletta

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"Life is short – the fruit of this life is a good character and acts for the common good." - Marcus Aurelius

As a long-time resident of Pascoe Vale, I am motivated by the opportunity to make a positive difference in my community. I am drawn to the opportunity to support SNH's impact and its commitment to fostering local involvement and providing a valuable resource and support to our community.

What areas, groups or special interests will you represent while on the Committee?

Governance, Risk Management, Not-for-profit, Financial Management

What do you wish to achieve during your tenure and as an active member of Committee?

To make a positive difference and be supportive to the Committee and Management of the organisation in fulfilling its strategy.

Qualifications, Certifications & Associations

- Bachelor of Business (Accounting) – Completed 2005
- Graduate Diploma of Chartered Accounting (CA) – Completed 2007
- Advanced Diploma of Financial Planning – Completed 2013

Work & Activity History over the last 10 years

- Chief Financial Officer/Company Secretary at *Australian Communities Foundation* (**Jan 2018 - Present**)
- Client Director at *Myer Family Company* (**Feb 2009 - Dec 2017**)
- Client Advisor/Company Secretary at *The Myer Foundation & Sidney Myer Fund* (**Oct 2015 - Dec 2017**)
- Volunteer Treasurer at *Moonee Ponds United SC* (**Oct 2022 - Present**)



Natalie Ginn

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Why did you nominate for the SNH Committee of Governance?

I agreed to be nominated for the Committee of Governance because I am deeply committed to contributing to the growth and improvement of our local community. As a resident of the northern suburbs of Melbourne, I understand the unique needs and aspirations of this area.

What areas, groups or special interests will you represent while on the Committee?

I will focus on workforce development and community engagement, representing the interests of local residents. I am particularly interested in fostering programs that support skills development, inclusivity, and social inclusion for diverse groups, including families, seniors, and culturally diverse individuals.

What do you wish to achieve during your tenure and as an active member of Committee?

I aim to strengthen community connections through initiatives that enhance workforce skills, increase participation, and ensure transparent governance. My goal is to contribute to Sussex Neighbourhood House becoming a leading hub for community development and empowerment.

Qualifications, Certifications & Associations

- Graduate Certificate in HR Management
- Cert IV in Training and Assessment
- Certificate IV in Workplace Health and Safety

Work & Activity History over the last 10 years

I have gained extensive experience in the not-for-profit sector, focusing on HR and aligning workforce strategies with business goals. I have led initiatives that improved workforce capability, engagement, and collaboration. My experience also includes preparing executive reports and conducting compliance reviews in Employee Relations (ER) and Industrial Relations (IR), ensuring adherence to best practices and industry standards.



Roxanne Strauss

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I am keen to support my local community by volunteering on the committee and sharing my business and Governance knowledge.

What areas, groups or special interests will you represent while on the Committee?

People and Culture, Business Management, not-for-profit Governance

What do you wish to achieve during your tenure and as an active member of Committee?

I hope to be able to contribute some of my business knowledge to the committee to support our local community.

Qualifications, Certifications & Associations

- Master of Management
- Graduate Diploma of HR
- Bachelor of Commerce
- Diploma of Positive Psychology & Wellness

Work & Activity History over the last 10 years

I'm a People and Culture (HR) professional with over 20 years experience.

My roles include Head of People for Country Road Group, People and Transformation Executive for Everyday Independence, Snr Manager Organisational Development for ME Bank, Project and Change Manager for ANZ, Snr OD Consultant for City of Melbourne.

Volunteer roles include Chairperson for Lengo Football Academy, Non-Executive Director for Asha Global and Ardoch Youth Foundation.