

Richard Wright Citation for Fellowship

Richard is currently the Head of Junior School at PLC. He joined IPSHA as a leader in 2006 and quickly found the collegiality of his peers through the Association a tremendous support and a vital source of friendship and support.

Always a ready contributor to the Association, Richard readily became a consistent contributor to the Association and assumed the role of leadership of the IPSHA events and responsibilities and in 2009, he undertook the role of the IPSHA Project Officer. Richard brought considerable commitment and passion to this role as he recognized the need for new leaders to be offered collegiality and support to strengthen their ability to undertake the rigorous demands of their leadership role. Particular to this was his sense of providing a professional environment that offered both professional and personal growth and robust community support of peers.

Richard built on the fledgling annual Regional Meeting and Retreat and rigorously pursued the provision of high standard of presentations and presenters that were thought provoking and that provided opportunity for reflective practice. The vision was to move the level of engagement from simply compliance, curriculum and pedagogy to be more informative of a higher level of evaluative practice.

In 2012, Richard was appointed the President and in that position continued his robust determination to provide high quality professional development for both city and regional members. To this end, professional growth opportunities were pursued from leaders outside of education; these included Dr Ric Charlesworth, Mr Andrew Forrest and Mr Mickey Arthur who enabled members to engage with leadership in a broad range of settings with the contemporary challenges and vision for education that each one provided.

Richard is an outstanding leader who has consistently endeavoured to collaboratively build his own leadership and provide opportunities for his peers to do so in his role of President and we congratulate him for that and express our gratitude for his fine contribution to IPSHA.

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