

Citation for Honorary Federal Life Membership: Neil Andary

Neil Andary joined the Independent Primary School Heads of Australia (IPSHA) in 2007 when he was appointed to the role of Head of Junior School, Prince Alfred College. During his tenure, Neil was an active member of the SA Branch, led Prince Alfred College with distinction, and took on other senior roles within the school most notably as Deputy Headmaster, Head of Schools and Acting Headmaster. Neil left Prince Alfred College at the end of 2019 to take on the role of Principal of Christ Church Grammar School in Victoria. Neil continued his active association with IPSHA and served his school for five years before retiring in 2024.

As a Full member of IPSHA, Neil has made significant contributions to The Association at both a state and federal level.

- SA and Victorian Branch Member
- SA Branch Treasurer
- SA Branch APPA representative
- Federal Treasurer
- Member of the IPSHA Federal Board

Neil was extensively involved, whilst a Full Member of IPSHA and as Federal Treasurer, in revisiting the federal constitution, working extensively with state branch treasurers to begin streamlining the associations financials and ensuring federal funds were allocated to support new and aspiring leaders. In his role as Federal Treasurer, he fostered several new sponsorship agreements that ensured Federal funds continued to support conferences, member professional development and aspiring leaders. It is noted that Neil's approach to national finance was to look for ways to spend money. He proactively sought ways to give national funds to the State Branches so they could provide benefits to members at the grass roots.

As an active member for 18years, Neil attended IPSHA Federal Conferences, as well as SA, Victorian and Tasmanian Tri-State Seminars. He readily provided collegial support to IPSHA colleagues and advocated strongly for the Association in all forums. Additionally, Neil energetically encouraged aspiring leaders and staff to engage with IPSHA events and professional development.

This Citation outlines Neil's outstanding and sustained contribution to IPSHA. Neil clearly meets the criteria for Honorary Federal Life Membership and it is with great pleasure that the SA Branch recommend him as an extremely worthy recipient of The Association's highest honour, Honorary Federal Life Membership. We seek the Federal Board's endorsement of this prestigious award .

Carl Salt
Honorary State Life Member