Nominees for the International Schools Association AGM 2024

1. Liliana Warid

My name is Liliana Warid. I bring a wealth of expertise essential for effective governance and strategic direction. With a child enrolled at ISS and no familial or business ties to the institution, I offer impartial dedication to its advancement.

My professional background encompasses strategic development and implementation, honed through executive and consulting roles. I possess adept financial acumen across diverse sectors, driving teams towards ambitious revenue targets and sustainable profitability. Moreover, my focus on internal governance ensures robust risk management, compliance, and efficient procedures. My interpersonal finesse facilitates productive relationships at all levels, crucial for achieving organisational goals.

Currently serving as an independent consultant and Chairperson of Fiji Public Trustee Corporation Pte Ltd, alongside roles in leadership and alumni boards, I am committed to leveraging my expertise to contribute positively to the ISS Board's endeavors.

2. Michael Daniel Wood

We have two daughters at ISS and my wife serving as the school doctor. Since returning to Fiji in 2018, I have seen many positive changes at the school, and I'm eager to help maintain this momentum and create the best environment for our children to thrive.

As an aeronautical engineer with over 20 years of experience, I can bring valuable expertise to the Finance, Governance, or Facilities committees at ISS. My background includes leading technical design and regulatory compliance teams for major Boeing projects, which has given me strong project management, compliance, and strategic planning skills. As the lead of Mechanical Engineering at USP, I'm dedicated to promoting excellence in STEM and supporting local engineers. I can offer invaluable expertise that benefits not only students but also the board and the entire ISS community.

3. Sarah Young

My name is Sarah Young, and I come from New Zealand. Our family moved to Fiji in July 2023. My husband was born here in Fiji and is currently working with the New Zealand High Commission. Our children, Joel and Sophia, are currently in Year 3 and Year 1 at ISS.

My professional background centers around Administration, Finance and Customer Service and spans the Education sector: from Preschool, High School and ESOL, to Administration and Finance roles at Massey University and Nelson Marlborough Institute of Technology. In these roles, I've been responsible for Student Administration, Financial Administration, and Assistance to Senior Leadership, and have loved the meeting point of practical administration alongside relationship building across organisations.

As a school Mum, I see this role as an exciting opportunity to serve by helping steward the ISS environment for current and future students, staff, families and the wider community through diligent and practical support and engagement.

4. Stuart May

My family and I moved to Fiji in 2023 as my wife took a posting in Fiji, with an international organisation. To make this move, I gave up my career as Director of Operations in the Caribbean with a regional group of companies. As part of my previous role, I was responsible for all aspects of establishing and managing business centers in several countries, including their design, fit outs, team recruitments and training. I sat as Vice Chair of our Group's Health and Safety Management Board. Having two parents who were teachers, I have an understanding of the challenges teachers face and so would aim to bring a balanced, practical and professional approach to assisting all stakeholders in moving the school forward so that it can enable our children to achieve their full potential. I have an interest in teaching and currently retraining for a Master's of Education.

My two daughters are at ISS, and I help with after school activities as Assistant Rugby Coach.