

Call for nominations – 2025 CAUL Board Elections

In line with section 3.3 of the CAUL Constitution, nominations are called for the election of Directors to the [CAUL Board](#).

The regular renewal of the Board's membership ensures:

- Leaders are refreshed to meet the challenges of a changing environment
- The right people, skills and experiences fill vacancies
- Disruption to the governance of CAUL is minimised
- CAUL is able to anticipate and manage future needs

Nominations are called for three positions of Director (Elected) whose terms end on 30 September 2025.

These positions are currently held by Nicole Clark (Queensland University of Technology), Hero Macdonald (Deakin University) and Kylie Percival (Curtin University). All three incumbents have served one term as Board Director and are eligible for re-election for a period of three years in line with section 3.2 of the CAUL Constitution.

Nominations for these positions are invited from Council Members (University Librarian or equivalent of an Eligible Institution* as defined in the Constitution) for election as a Director to the CAUL Board for a term of three years.

Nominations will be accepted from **10am AEST on Monday 14 July 2025 until 5pm AEST on Friday 25 July 2025**. Nominations should be lodged using the online [nomination form](#).

Information about the [Board elections](#) is available on the CAUL website (after login).

[Some key information on the CAUL Board and this election](#)

What is the CAUL Board? The CAUL Board is accountable for the effective governance of CAUL and establishes strategic priorities aligned to its purpose. The Board exercises due diligence through its commitment to the [Constitution](#) and the [Board Charter](#), working to a Board Calendar and fulfilling audit and risk management obligations.

How many positions are there on the Board? The Board consists of four (4) Directors elected from among the full members of CAUL and three (3) Directors appointed by the Board for their skills and experience (not required to be a member of CAUL). Terms for Directors are three years and elections are held as terms end.

What are the roles of Board members? There are three ongoing Board roles per section 3.2.6 of the Constitution, to which Directors of the Board can be assigned by the Board: Chair, Deputy Chair and Chair of the Finance, Risk & Audit Committee. A fourth ongoing Board role, determined by the Board, is that of Chair of the Content Procurement Committee, and other Board roles are assigned as needed. The Chief Executive Officer is an ex officio member of the Board. Further information about [Board Roles & Responsibilities](#) is available online, noting that this information is currently under review.

How is the Board supported? The Board is supported by the CAUL Office, program project groups, issues-based working groups, advisory committees and communities of practice. Board members have access to a comprehensive online Board Manual including Board Induction for new members as well as an online repository of Corporate Documents. Board members are covered by Management Liability Insurance.

Details of [current Board members](#), including their terms and roles, are listed on the CAUL website.

What is the Board responsible for?

- Strategy, policy and its execution
- Governance of the association, prioritisation and allocation of resources
- Establishing and fostering strategic partnerships and collaborations to address, nationally and internationally, the issues and opportunities impacting Australian university libraries

How often does the Board meet? The Board meets at least four times per year with three in-person meetings, when possible, and the other via video conference.

How many positions are available in this election? Three positions - Director (Elected)

How does nomination work? Current Council Members of CAUL (University Librarian or equivalent at an Eligible Institution*) are:

- eligible to nominate themselves
- eligible to be nominated by another Council Member
- eligible to be nominated by a temporary Council Member (who is acting in the role of University Librarian or equivalent during the nominations period)

In all nominations, the Council Member being nominated must give consent to their nomination.

A temporary Council Member who is acting in the role of University Librarian or equivalent during the nominations period is not eligible to nominate themselves or be nominated.

When do nominations open and close? Nominations will be accepted from 10am AEST on Monday 14 July 2025 through to 5pm AEST on Friday 25 July 2025. The Returning Officer will issue a receipt for all nominations received, via email.

What happens next?

If there are only three valid nominations for the positions, the uncontested results will be announced following the close of nominations. Should more than three valid nominations for the positions be received, details of nominees will be publicised by Tuesday 29 July 2025 and **elections will be held over five working days 29 July to 4 August inclusive**. The poll results will be announced as soon as practicable following the close of the poll with the successful candidates assuming the Directorships on 1 October 2025.

Jane Angel

Chief Executive Officer, CAUL and Returning Officer

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**Eligible Institution: Australasian and Oceania universities recognised by their governments as universities.*