**Jenelle Booth – Chair**

The Booth Family joined Upper Swan PS in 2013. We have two children attending the school.   Having the flexibility of working from home with our family business has meant that I have been around to lend a helping hand starting with taking on the role as the Uniform Shop Co-Ordinator run by the P & C. In this role I have met many families and enjoyed getting to see all the students grow over the years.

Playing an active role in assisting our school attain its Independent Public School status from the required workshops right through to the final presentation has been an enormous achievement and I am very proud of and humbled by being a part of.

Being super organised and eager to help make a difference in ensuring that everyone at Upper Swan has the best opportunities available to them is very important to me.

**David Jeffs (Parent)**

I have two children in years 5 and 4 at Upper Swan and their little brother will be joining them from next year.

My education at primary and secondary level was in the UK and I then studied Business Law at Curtin University.

Moved to Western Australia from Wales in 1999 and settled in the Swan Valley area in 2003. Luckily managed to find and marry the most beautiful and amazing woman on earth in 2006.

Worked the majority of my life in the earthmoving industry and now a senior appraiser and contracts manager at an auctioneering and valuation company. Specialising in contract and consumer law I hope those abilities will be on some use to board.

I have joined the school board because I want to help make Upper Swan a better school, with the best facilities and better teaching standards. I believe that those of us with children at the school should have a strong voice in attaining that goal. As an independent school I want Upper Swan to be at the forefront of innovation and teaching standards and look forward with the staff to ensuring those qualities are achieved.

**Angela Johnson (Parent)**

**BBI Group Vice President Community, Government, Environment and Safety**

Angela is a Metallurgist and has over 16 years of experience in the resource and industry sectors. Ange previously worked for Atlas Iron where she held the role of General Manager Land Access, Heritage and Approvals. Prior to this she was Project Manager of the Balla Balla Project for Aurox Resources and previous to this spent 8 years in operational roles in northern Australia.

Ange has been working in the Community space for some 7 years now, combining her technical skills and operational experience with identifying opportunities for the regional community, including traditional owner groups, pastoral, local residents, contractors and business.

Ange has two young children at USPS and wanted to contribute her Community and Technical experiences by participating on the School Board.

**Heather Hunt (Community Member)**

Heather brings to our board thirty years of teaching experience in Australia and overseas. Heather has a Master’s Degree in Education from Melbourne University and she is currently working at Edith Cowan University as a supervisor of pre-service teachers when they are doing their school placements.

Heather lives in Baskerville on a small vineyard and has an appreciation of the local community and their aspirations.

Heather travels frequently. She considers herself to have an open and enquiring mind as well as a lifelong commitment to education and creating opportunity.

**Valerie Long (Community Member)**

I am a retired Primary trained teacher who emigrated from UK in 1969. My husband and I settled in the Swan Valley and I started my teaching career in Australia at Guildford Training Centre. Over a period of 30 years I taught special needs students in a variety of Special, Primary and High Schools across the Perth region.

During this time we raised two beautiful children and developed a Quarter Horse stud on our property in West Swan. Although we now live in The Vines we have had a long association with the Swan Valley. My husband worked for 20 years at Whiteman Park and we both were active members of the West Swan Voluntary Fire Brigade.

In 2000 I joined the Centre for Inclusive Schooling as a visiting teacher where my role was to advise and assist mainstream teachers who were teaching special needs students in their class. For 6 years I travelled all over the state visiting primary and high schools from Lake Grace to the remote indigenous community schools in the Kimberley. My consultations were initiated by the classroom teacher and following each visit I provided resources, programming suggestions and occasionally facilitated major works where necessary to support a student with a disability.

Retiring from the Education Department in 2006, I offered private reading and spelling coaching for several years before devoting more time to my grandchildren who both attend Upper Swan Primary School. I hope that I can be a valuable and contributing member of the USPS School board

**Stephen Green (Principal)**

I took up the principal’s position at Upper Swan in 2009. Prior to this I worked in leadership positions at Bassendean, Bullsbrook, Tambellup, Southern Cross, Marvel Loch, Alinjarra and Mirrabooka.

As a teacher, I taught classes from Year 4 to Year 7 at Karrinyup, Boulder, Broome, Mirrabooka and Alinjarra. As a ‘teaching principal’ and support teacher I taught students from Year 1 to Year 7. I feel very fortunate to have enjoyed each and every school I have worked in. What I appreciate about Upper Swan is the positive community spirit, the fabulous students and the amazing school setting.

My personal mission is to create an environment where staff are challenged and supported to be the best they can be by using proven teaching methods in order to maximise student learning. Focussing on staff development leads to positive engagement and achievement for all students. The greatest reward is seeing growth and achievement in students, staff, the school and community.