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Biographical/Election Statement

Hello. To those of you who haven't met me, I am a former student of the University and am seeking to be elected to one of the Graduate positions on the University's Senate.

I am seeking to be elected to give back to the University. I completed a Bachelor of Laws degree in 2010, which put me on the right path towards a rewarding career. I also have fond memories of my days at the University, including time spent making friends on Bush Court. Some of those friendships have continued well after my studies.

I have always been mindful of the important role the University's Senate plays with respect to promoting high performance through fairness, transparency and accountability. To continue that role the Senate should be comprised of members who can add value. I believe I can add value from the experience I have gained for over a decade since my studies. I am currently working as a Special Counsel at a global law firm with expertise in dispute resolution. I have also sat on internal and external committees including on areas of diversity and inclusion.

I believe my experience and background would make me a valuable addition to the Senate, and would assist the Senate with achieving the University's future strategy which focuses on Sustainability, Equity, Diversity and Inclusion, and First Nations.

If you have any questions about me or my nomination, please feel free to email me at asinanovic@live.com.

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Biographical/Election Statement

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A professional strategist of 24 years with PhD in Public Policy with degrees in international relations, education, accounting, systems thinking and law amongst others, I run my own strategy consulting practice and am amongst global 100 professor-author grade management consultant CMC-Academic Fellow selected by International Council of Management Consulting

Institute (comprising 68,000 consultants). Today, I am program leader for Chief Strategy, Chief Technology, Chief Data, Analytics AI and Chief Operating Officer programs for National University of Singapore and Nanyang Technological University with Emeritus for APAC MENA C/C-1 executives.

I have served in Boards since 2016 and accorded Senior Accredited Director by Singapore Institute of Directors. My current board director/advisor roles are UK, Australia, Swiss, Thailand, Vietnam, Hong Kong, Singapore. My past/present charity Board experiences included: Scouts National Council (Singapore), Open University Association (UK), Oxford University Association (UK), stars for C-1 suite leaders (Swiss), Institute of Certified Management Accountants (Australia). My past contributions in youth/student affairs include: Commonwealth Youth Forum, University of London Union Council/Senate student member and Singapore's version of Duke of Edinburgh Award. I believe in citizen participation in policymaking and ran the inaugural nonprofit (2014-2016) and later government versions (2019-2020) of national youth incubator involving 4,000 youths in Singapore.

I am a member of Institute of Directors/equivalent in US, UK, Ireland, Gulf GCC, Hong Kong, Malaysia, Australia and Singapore. As a Board corporate governance professional, I enjoy serving organisations to apply my strategy-innovation-entrepreneurship skills to impact. I hope to serve interests of Murdoch students in Senate by listening deeply, strategizing win-win for students and University and offer oversight during implementation to maximise our interests. I have experienced before and understand in first-hand the difficulties of four student personas: undergraduate on-campus, undergraduate distance learning, postgraduate on-campus and distance learning and hope to maximise win-win for our fellow learners. I remain an avid lifelong learner till-date. Online engagements for public participation in policymaking is vital and I seek to support that PROCESS, with university staff support, as an internationally certified facilitator (including virtual). My policy and strategic acumen will allow me to support OUR interests in Senate meeting. My accounting

(Masters from Murdoch), law (LLB London distance learning) and risk management board experiences will allow me to discharge Senator's legal fiduciary duties competently.

My Commitment is to BRING all OUR perspectives together to find win-win solutions for a better supported learning experience at Murdoch!

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Biographical/Election Statement

Having completed my Master's degree in International Affairs and Security at Murdoch University in 2023, I am deeply committed to contributing to the university that has greatly expanded my understanding of global issues and governance. My journey from Hong Kong to Perth in 2022 was driven by a desire to enrich my perspective on international relations, and Murdoch University provided the ideal setting for this transformation.

Professionally, I am a seasoned accountant with over 10 years of experience and a Fellow Member of the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants (ACCA). My work in financial management and governance has reinforced my commitment to ethical leadership, transparency, and sustainability. These principles, I believe, are critical to the future success of Murdoch University as it pursues its strategic goals for 2023-2030.

In addition to my professional career, I have a strong background in community leadership. I served as the chairperson of the Parent-Teacher Association at Lutheran Academy in Hong Kong and as a parent member on the School Board. These roles gave me hands-on experience in governance, collaboration, and advocacy for the interests of students and parents, which I believe will be highly beneficial in contributing to the governance of Murdoch University.

I am also passionate about promoting inclusion and diversity, values that are close to my heart as someone who has experienced living and working across different cultural environments. As a member of the Senate, I would be dedicated to furthering Murdoch's vision of being a university that values equity and strives to make a positive social impact. I am particularly excited about the opportunity to support initiatives focused on First Nations and sustainability.

It would be a privilege to bring my governance experience and commitment to social equity to the Senate and to contribute to the bright future that Murdoch University is building.

Jim Meckelburg

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Biographical/Election Statement

Greetings,

I have strong ties to Murdoch University: as an undergraduate I majored in Politics & International studies, including units in Womens' and Indigenous Studies and in my Honours and subsequent years tutored and lectured in Foundation units and Public Sector Management. I subsequently tutored and coordinated the OnTrack Enabling program, expanding it across all local campuses and initiated a variation in a local High School - see video at Murdoch's "Back on Campus" series: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JmFQ48E0x-I> Equity

As a student representative I was elected to various committees, including: Admissions, School, Program, Academic Council, Post Graduate and Senate.

I have a Financial Management and consultancy background dealing with all levels of business, including State Management roles in both Western Australia and Victoria.

WA's universities ratings are declining. With Murdoch's dependence on international fee paying students, and with the highest intake at 38%, the government's decision to significantly reduce the numbers of those students does pose a significant impact on Murdoch's capacity to achieve it's goals.

The diversity of my involvement in Murdoch University, as a student, as an academic and with a strong attachment to equity and cohesion, and a diverse business background, it provides me with the tools to contribute to Senate at both a management and, most importantly, to students and their diversity.

Tony McRae

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Biographical/Election Statement

Tony McRae is an organisational development and change-management leader with more than 40 years professional experience in Government and across industry, community and academia.

Tony wants to contribute to Murdoch University's leadership in Western Australia, nationally, and beyond, in access, innovation, teaching & research.

For the past ten years, Tony has worked with Indigenous Corporations and leaders in building Native Title corporations, businesses and charitable trusts, holding roles as Chief Executive Officer, Company Secretary, Board Director and state/national peak-body member.

A focus on social, economic and sustainable development has been at the core of his work, Tony was Western Australia's first Minister for Climate Change and Australia's first Director for Research & Information (National Native Title Tribunal).

Tony came to WA in 1980, was as an electrician and unionist in the Pilbara iron ore industry before completing his Bachelor of Arts (Social Ecology) and commencing a Masters program (Sustainable Development) at Murdoch University in the 1990s. He suspended his studies on election to the WA Parliament in 2001 as the member for Riverton and held a number of Parliamentary and Cabinet roles during the Gallop and Carpenter Labor Governments.

Tony is a Director (previously Deputy Chairperson and currently Governance & Risk Committee member) of ASeTTS Inc, a WA organisation providing counselling services to survivors of torture and trauma.

Examples of national/international contributions include rapporteur to International Conference on Low Carbon Economies (UK 2008); Project Leader: Timor-Leste national labour market plan (2012); presenter/panellist: 2017 Northern Australian Investment Forum; and keynote speaker at the AIATSIIS/NNTC 2021 (Adelaide) Annual Conference.

Professional Overview

- Doctorate candidate (ARC scholarship) Curtin U. (current)
- CEO & Company Secretary, Jamukurnu-Yapalikurnu Aboriginal Corporation (2018-2024); IBN Corporation (2015-18)
- Member of Parliament, Western Australia (2001- 08) Minister, etc
- National Director, Research & Information, National Native Title Tribunal (1995-2000)

Qualifications

- Mediator, Legal & Environmental Alternative Dispute Resolution
- Bachelor of Arts (Social Ecology) Murdoch University
- Graduate, Australian Institute of Company Directors
- Doctorate research (current)

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Biographical/Election Statement

I would like to nominate for the Murdoch University Senate, as I believe my experience would make me a great asset. I began studying my Bachelor of Criminology in 2014 at Murdoch and after graduating with that degree, I returned in 2021 to complete a Bachelor of Law. During my time at Murdoch, I was President of a Murdoch University Guild club for three years. I have also held various roles with the Department of Justice and Department of Premier and Cabinet for the Commissioner and Minister of Corrective Services, as well as recent experience within the private sector. I am currently Assistant Company Secretary within the mining industry and provide support to the Board members of the company. In 2023 I held the role of student representative on the Murdoch University Academic Council and would love to volunteer my time again for Murdoch University. I believe my experience would allow me to speak confidently on behalf of the Murdoch University Graduates and I would be a valued member of the Senate. If you have any questions, or would like to know anything else about me, please do not hesitate to contact my by email (shannon.renner@outlook.com) or on LinkedIn.

Wal Slaven

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Biographical/Election Statement

Hi, my name is Wal Slaven and I am a proud graduate of Murdoch University. My studies have taken me through undergraduate to post graduate qualifications thanks to the wonderful and supportive academic staff I have encountered on my journey. I feel now is the time to contribute back to the university just a little of what I have received in terms of support, time and maybe experience as the institution confronts some serious internal and external challenges. Although my background is neither in business nor academe, I do have experience in governance roles in regulatory positions within both industry and government. I would relish the opportunity to contribute to the standing and growth of Murdoch University and would welcome your support to

help me achieve these aims.

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Biographical/Election Statement

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Where are the F.W. De Klerks in our Universities, and elsewhere in society?

- The WA Electoral Commission

All university elections should be conducted by the Electoral Commissions, using Paper Ballot Voting, and Secret Ballot Voting—e.g. The WA Electoral Commission

- Speakers' Corners—Lunchtimes (12noon-2pm), and some nights per week in Uni Taverns
- A University Court of Law—and not only individual Admin bureaucrats in tiny offices, and not only Campus Police—should be used to hear allegations against students, academics, and others in the university community.
- “Update”
 - “Go Fund Me”; Search Term: Peter D Dunne
 - Date: 10 July 2023; Title: “University Court of Law”
- The immediate Rescindment of all student and staff suspensions and expulsions—PENDING Fair Trials for such students and staff in a University Court of Law
- All members of the University Senates/ Councils, etc, should be elected
- The Vice-Chancellors should be elected
- The Chancellors should be elected
- All election winners should be subject to immediate recall
- For example by presentation of a qualifying petition to an Electoral Commission, eg The WA Electoral Commission.
- University Legal Aid Service
- Aspire to be like Geoffrey Robertson, Ruth Bader Ginsburg, TV's Perry Mason, TV's Rumpole of the Bailey, TV's Martha Costello in Silk—at the Uni that made you into a lawyer—potentially—and not just a lawyer joke!
- Rockingham By-Election July 2023
You Tube: “The Big Debate—Rockingham By-Election 2023”

HOMELESSNESS CRISIS

I'm now focused on buying Caravans, and developing community Caravan Parks, on Crown Land, as an interim solution to the Homelessness crisis.

- Vote YES for the Indigenous Voice to the Parliament
It was an opportunity to have a lobby group there, by Law, and by Election, very likely, by my reckoning, to advocate for

Human Rights for ALL of us—including the so-called “White Aborigines”, and the so-called “Immigrant Aborigines”.

I called for Debates and Referenda at all our Universities, prior to the National Referenda. But, being suspended, or expelled, from most of them, I was unable to fully market this proposal.

- From the River to the Sea, BOTH Palestine AND Israel will be free.

PLUS:

- For a new government in Israel

As Bill Clinton ALMOST said:

- Its a Socialist Economy Stupid

With:

- Workers Control
- Industrial Democracy
- Trades and Labour Union Rights
- INDUSTRIAL COURTS OF LAW

Neil Huck

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Biographical/Election Statement

If you choose to elect me to the Murdoch University Senate I will offer an exceptional longevity of experience to the role, having had continuous involvement with Murdoch since starting as a founding student in 1975, till retiring in 2021. Almost the entire 50 years of Murdoch University's existence.

With the various challenges facing the Australian higher education sector I feel this long term perspective will be useful.

My association with Murdoch in brief has been:

- 1975-1982: Foundation student, studying sometimes part time and remotely (while working as a general aviation Pilot), eventually graduating with an honours degree in Physics.
- 1983-1986: Working as a tutor while enrolled as a post-Doctoral student in Physics.
- 1987-2021: General staff member performing numerous roles in central IT support.

My various roles at Murdoch since 1975 have allowed me to come in contact with a wide range of academic staff, general staff and students.

Additionally over these years I have been a keen observer of the many internal and external forces that have imposed structural change upon Murdoch University, observing first hand the impact such changes have had on the whole Murdoch community.

In summary, I feel my commitment to and long term involvement with Murdoch will be of value to the Senate and allow me to give back. If you choose to vote for me I will welcome the opportunity to be part of the team making sure Murdoch maintains its stature within the West Australian and Australian university sector.

Should you have any question prior to voting I am available via email at neil.huck@gmail.com.

Regards
Neil Huck

Jethro Schoeman

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Biographical/Election Statement

Name: Jethro Schoeman (GAICD)

Profession: Lawyer; Dad of Sophia, Micah, and Zipporah; Husband of Anabelle

Bio

1 Jethro is excited to volunteer himself for his continued service to Murdoch University as a member of Senate. As an avid advocate for the University, Jethro is proud to have a hands-on approach in relation to Murdoch's continued positive trajectory.

2 For the benefit of the University, Jethro is able to leverage, among other things, his:

2.1 legal expertise: Jethro works as a lawyer at one of Western Australia's largest local law firms. Jethro specialises in litigation and dispute resolution, where Jethro often acts for public companies, private companies and high-net-worth individuals in superior jurisdictions. Jethro has advised both directors and companies generally in relation to many different areas of corporate and commercial law, as well as key legal risks and strategy.

2.2 board expertise: Jethro is a graduate of the Australian Institute of Company Directors (AICD) and has been a member of several different boards over the last seven years.

2.3 commercial acumen: Jethro has a keen interest in understanding different businesses and strategies, seeing synergistic value where it can be created, and interrogating the various keys of successful business ventures.

3 Overall, the University has gone through some exciting new changes over the last 3 years, including the unveiling of Boola Katitjin (one of the best, if not the best, education buildings in the world), the hiring of a new Vice Chancellor, and the launching of the new strategic plan Ngala Kwop Biddi. Jethro is proud to be part of the Senate that was involved in those initiatives.

4 Jethro looks forward to his continued service to Murdoch University, and to that end, encourages the continued support of Murdoch's alumni community.

5 If anyone has any questions for Jethro, feel free to reach out to him by sending an email to JethroJesseSchoeman@gmail.com.

David Daniel

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Biographical/Election Statement

Hello everyone, my name is David Daniel and I am presenting myself as a candidate for the election of Graduate of the University member of Senate, Murdoch.

The strategic themes focus on Sustainability, Equity, Diversity, Inclusion, and First Nations engagement. As one was born in India, raised in Singapore, and educated in Perth, I embody the values of diversity and inclusion that Murdoch University champions. Alongside this, my academic journey includes a double major and postgraduate certificate from Murdoch University itself, demonstrating my deep connection to the institution. Additionally, during my time with Murdoch, my internship with the state parliament has equipped me with a solid understanding of governance and policy-making—skills crucial for the Senate role.

Currently, I am a HR Business Partner for a multinational shipping corporation in the maritime industry, managing the EMEA and Americas region. This role has further developed my leadership skills and a global perspective. With this, my experience has honed my ability to foster inclusive environments and drive strategic initiatives—qualities that are essential for contributing to university governance. This international exposure allows me to propose initiatives that promote environmental sustainability on campus, such as advocating for green energy solutions or supporting student-led sustainability projects.

Furthermore, I am deeply committed to supporting equity and inclusion strategies by developing programs that empower minority students and foster a more inclusive campus environment. While I am not of First Nations descent, I am deeply committed to collaborating with First Nations communities to enhance cultural awareness and inclusivity at Murdoch. My military experience as a Singaporean officer has further strengthened my leadership abilities and crisis management skills—qualities that will allow me to effectively address challenges within the university when these may arise.

There is significant potential to strengthen collaboration with our international campuses in Dubai and Singapore, ensuring that the voices of all Murdoch students are heard and represented. Through fostering these connections, I seek to create a platform that resonates across our global student body. Ultimately, my vision is to contribute meaningfully to Murdoch's future through the alignment of my skills and experiences and its strategic objectives of sustainability, diversity, and inclusion. This ensures that our goals are deeply integrated with the university's long-term strategy.

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Biographical/Election Statement



As a proud Murdoch University alumnus with a Master's degree in Information Technology, I am excited to nominate for the position of Graduate Member of the Murdoch University Senate. I believe in the vision outlined in the University's 2023-2030 strategy, Ngala Kwop Biddi: Building a brighter future, together, which emphasizes Sustainability, Equity, Diversity, Inclusion, and First Nations advocacy. These principles align closely with my own values, and I am eager to contribute to ensuring Murdoch continues to evolve as a university of choice.

Professionally, I have built a strong career in IT, currently working as an IT Support Analyst at NRW Holdings. My problem-solving skills, coupled with a strong commitment to improving processes, will enable me to bring practical, solution-oriented insights to the Senate.

Beyond my professional background, I have a deep commitment to community leadership and service. During my time at Murdoch, I served as President of the Murdoch Student Postgraduate Association, where I worked with students and staff to improve academic and social experiences on campus.

If elected, I will work to ensure that Murdoch University continues to be a leader in sustainability, equity, and inclusivity. I will advocate for initiatives that empower students from all backgrounds to thrive and contribute meaningfully to our community. I am also particularly passionate about supporting Murdoch's vision to become the university of choice for First Nations peoples, ensuring that their voices are represented at the highest levels of governance.

I would be honored to represent my fellow graduates on the Senate and help shape the future of our great institution. Please feel free to contact me at usama.ishfaq105@gmail.com with any questions or thoughts.

Stephen Price

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Biographical/Election Statement

My name is Stephen Price and I graduated from Murdoch University in 1987, with a Bachelor of Science, majoring in Computer Science. This qualification was my ticket to a long and rewarding career in Information Technology and Management Consulting; working in diverse industries such as Health, the Resources Industry, Government, Banking and Technology. This also afforded me the opportunity to work in metropolitan and country Australia, as well as overseas postings to Malaysia and Hong Kong.

These amazing experiences that I have been able to share with my wife and three children has all been made possible through the foundations that I received during my education at Murdoch University. As both a graduate, but also as an employer of graduates, I have a keen interest in the curriculum and job readiness of today's Murdoch University students. I am also greatly concerned in the ability of students to support themselves financially and the debts they are incurring over the course of their studies. I am also keen to foster opportunities for students to work more closely with future employers, to make their studies more "real".

Finally, as the first in my family to be a beneficiary of a tertiary education; I am keen to do all I can to make sure that there is continuing equity of access to education for all.

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Biographical/Election Statement

It would be an honour to represent you on the Murdoch Senate and bring fresh leadership and perspective to our institution.

I have a strong understanding of the University-sector in Western Australia, graduating from Murdoch and UWA, and having worked at both Curtin and ECU.

I promise to deliver better outcomes for the university and our community by investing in our staff and students, our campus infrastructure, and protecting academic freedom.

I commit to delivering Murdoch's purpose of changing lives and society for the better through accessible education and research by ensuring excellence in strategy, governance, and financial management.

Additionally, I am committed to Murdoch's goal of becoming the University of Choice for First Nations peoples. I'll draw on my experience of working with the Aboriginal Legal Service of WA, Banjima Native Title Aboriginal Corporation, South West Aboriginal Medical Service, the Gumala Foundation, and the South West Aboriginal Land and Sea Council in this endeavour.

To inform these aims, I have held legal, governance and strategic leadership positions in the university, not-for-profit and local government sectors. I am an experienced company director – serving on the boards of several organisations with social impact, a WA-wide behaviour and conduct panel, and I have been an elected member of the City of Mandurah for the last decade (where one of Murdoch's regional campuses is based).

My passions include community and economic development, arts, sustainability, law, governance, community engagement and the empowerment of our First Nations peoples.

My values align with that of Murdoch University, I am a respectful, transparent, and authentic individual and I am strongly driven by principles of fairness and justice.

I always operate in a common-sense manner and will apply both my passions and values to the role.

I believe in the principles of inclusive, servant-leadership and have developed my leadership skills through courses at Leadership WA and Oxford University.

I hold qualifications in law, journalism, politics and international studies, public policy and management, and post-graduate qualifications in business.

I am a Graduate of the Australian Institute of Company Directors, completed my Certificate in Governance and Risk Management from the Governance Institute of Australia (where I am also a Fellow), and am a Member of the Australian Institute of Management (AIM).

I ask for your trust and support and hope you will consider me for a position on our Murdoch Senate – I will always maintain an open-door policy.