

Honorary State Life Membership Citation: Julie Hann

Julie Hann joined the Independent Primary School Heads of Australia (IPSHA) in 2008, when she was appointed to the position of Head of Junior School at Mercedes College. Julie had previously been a Numeracy Consultant for the Catholic Education Office (CEO) for 4.5 years, where she was a presenter at CEO Literacy and Numeracy Expos.

Julie has been a dynamic and significant contributor to the SA Branch of IPSHA in her 11 years as a Member. She was President-Elect of the Branch from 2010 – 2012, Branch President from 2012 – 2014 and Immediate Past President from 2014 – 2016, a total of 6 years as an official member of the State Branch Executive. Julie led the Branch with distinction in her time as President and was a valued and highly respected Member of the Federal Board as the State Representative during that time.

Julie's contribution as a Head has extended to her active and ongoing involvement in the Australian Primary Principals' Association (APPA). She was the SA Branch Representative on the APPA National Advisory Council (NAC) from 2016 – 2018. Julie has also represented IPSHA (SA Branch) as one of two members on two APPA Conference Committees, the first from 2009 – 2011 and more recently from 2017 – 2018. This is when the APPA Conferences were held in Adelaide. During her time as the APPA NAC Representative Julie was also invited to be part of the State Branch Executive, as her input and wisdom were eagerly sought in the running of the Branch business.

Julie has attended all national IPSHA conferences since 2008, except for the one held in New Zealand in 2016. She has also attended all the Tri-State Seminars with colleagues from SA, Tasmania and Victoria since 2008 in such places as Hobart, Hahndorf, Sorrento and Launceston. As an IB school, Julie has participated in numerous IB conferences and completed a number of IB workshops.

Deeply respected by her peers, Julie has provided energetic and exceptional service to the SA Branch of IPSHA. She is firmly committed to the goals of the Association and has represented IPSHA in all forums in a professional and dedicated manner. Julie has importantly been a Mentor to many new Heads and was the Coordinator of the IPSHA (SA Branch) Deputies' Group from 2014 – 2016, where she established a new effective structure for its operation.

We have appreciated Julie's wise counsel and her vibrancy as a committed Member of IPSHA and as a Branch we are unanimous in our view that Julie Hann is a most worthy recipient of the award of Honorary State Life Membership, for her sustained and outstanding contribution to IPSHA, both nationally and locally.

David Hine