



## Candidate statements | 2025 elections

### Secondary principals sector

#### Fleur Cherie WAINOHU



**Location:** Hastings, Hawkes Bay. Kahungunu ki Heretaunga

#### Academic qualifications

Diploma of Māori Performing Arts

Bachelor of Education (Teaching) Bilingual option.

Reo Māori Diploma - Te Whare Wananga o Awanuiarangi

#### Current position

Tumuaki - Te Kura Kaupapa Māori o Te Wānanga Whare Tapere o Takitimu

Inclusive of Te Kōhanga Reo (Yrs 1 - 4), Kuratahi (Yrs 5 - 11), Wharekura (Yrs 12 - 18), Whare Wānanga (Yrs 18 - 25), Taikura (Yrs 55+).

#### Active teaching experience

Specialised Teaching; Tunu Kai (Food Tech) Te Reo Matatini.

I love teaching and my students.

#### Governance experience

(2022 - Current)

Te Aho o Te Kura Pounamu - The Correspondence School - Board member

(2021 - Current)

PPTA Te Wehengarua - Secondary Principals Council - National Māori Representative

(2013 - 2014)

Te Runanga Nui o Ngā Kura Kaupapa Māori Te Aho Matua - Ohu Marau

(2008 - Current)

Te Kura Kaupapa Māori o Te Wānanga Whare Tapere o Takitimu - Board Member

#### Personal interests

(2013 - 2023) Oranga Tamariki Caregivers

(1985 - current) Te Hāhi Mihinare

Māori Performing Arts

Marae and urupa restorations

#### Profile statement

Kia ora! Kia orana! Talofa!

Kahungunu te iwi, Takitimu te waka. Nō Heretaunga ahau.

Twenty five years in education with sixteen of those years as a professional leader, I know the hard work that goes into governance, management and operations for a high performing kura. It is not a 9 - 5 job and one size just fits one.

My life's journey is about providing an equitable education system for our tamariki, our future generation. This is a career pathway that should look after and celebrate educators. I put my hand up to be an effective voice of change within the governing council.

Nā reira, he mihi maioha ki a koutou.

## Patrick John WALSH



**Location:** Auckland

**Academic qualifications**

MA (Hons) LLB (Hons) Dip Tchg, Dip SM

**Current position**

Headmaster/Tumuaki

**Active teaching experience**

40 years

**Governance experience**

President of Secondary Principals Association of New Zealand (SPANZ) - 3 years

Chair of SIEBA - 4 years

President of SPANZ Union - 2 years

Deputy Chair of New Zealand Teaching Council

President of Australia New Zealand Education Law Association (NZ Chapter)

**Personal interests**

Fishing

Gardening

Reading

Gym

**Profile statement**

Service to Secondary Principals

- 10 years SPANZ Executive

- 3 years President SPANZ Professional

- 2 years President SPANZ Union

- Member Bargaining Team, SPANZ Union - last 4 Collective Agreements

- Member NZ Teachers Council Disciplinary Tribunal, 9 years

- 4 years Board Chair SIEBA

- 20 years' experience in Principalship, co-ed, single sex, mixed decile schools

- Pro bono legal advice to colleagues throughout Aotearoa New Zealand

Secondary Principal Voice on the New Zealand Teaching Council

I would be honoured to serve Secondary School Principals advocating for:

- ITE Providers to recruit only high-quality candidates and produce 'school ready' graduates.

- Apply a high trust model and user-friendly process for Principals wanting to secure LAT's.

- Direct and timely advice for Principals reporting teachers with competency and serious misconduct issues.

- Greater support and communication with Principals dealing with frivolous and vexatious complaints about them from parents.