

FLYING MINUTE: Selection Committee Special Meeting Minutes – 7 April 2026

By Chantelle O'Brien, Zones Governance Officer

WALGA RECOMMENDATION

That State Council endorse the recommendation contained in the 7 April 2026 Selection Committee Special Meeting Minutes.

RESOLUTION 265.FM/2026

CARRIED

ATTACHMENT – CONFIDENTIAL

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BACKGROUND

Pursuant to the resolution of State Council in February 2002, the WALGA Selection Committee was established to oversee the selection process for Local Government vacancies on boards and committees.

The Selection Committee conducts a merit-based and transparent assessment process encompassing the principle of “best person for the job”. Upon completion of the assessment of nominations for vacancies, the Selection Committee either endorses preferred candidates for appointment (under delegated authority) or makes advisory recommendations to State Council for ratification of preferred candidates.

The State Road Funds to Local Government Advisory Committee (SAC) is established by the State Road Funds to Local Government Agreement. SAC is responsible for overseeing, monitoring and endorsing to the Minister for Transport, via the Managing Director Main Roads, the allocation of State funds under the Agreement. The membership of SAC includes the Managing Director of Main Roads, four Main Roads officers, the WALGA President (or their proxy), the WALGA CEO (or their nominee) and three other representatives as nominated by WALGA.

The terms for the three current representatives nominated by WALGA have expired and new members need to be appointed for the next SAC meeting on 4 May.

The four Local Government SAC members, including the WALGA President, are to be balanced across the Metropolitan and Country constituency and be a balance of Elected Members and officers.

At the March State Council meeting, State Council resolved as follows:

That State Council approves by Flying Minute confirmation of the three appointments to the vacant positions on the State Road Funds to Local Government Advisory Committee (SAC) as recommended by the Selection Committee.

COMMENT

The Selection Committee held a Special Meeting on 7 April 2026 to provide a recommendation to State Council for WALGA appointments to SAC.

Nominations opened in early March and closed on 26 March. A total of nine nominations were received.

The Committee noted that all applications were of a very high calibre, leading to a very competitive pool of nominees.

The Selection Committee recommended appointing the three highest ranking nominees.

FLYING MINUTE OUTCOME

Poll created: 08/04/2026 at 12:00

Poll closed: 15/04/2026 at 17:00

Total invited to survey: 21*

Total finished survey: 19

**As applicants themselves, State Councillors Chris Antonio and Laurene Bonza have an interest in this item and therefore were not included as respondents to the Flying Agenda.*

Name	Completed Date
Phillip Blight	12/04/2026 11:14
Donelle Buegge	No response
Scott Crosby	8/04/2026 20:00
Patrick Hall	13/04/2026 19:02
Cate McCullough	15/04/2026 14:40
Lewis Hutton	No response
Paul Kelly	8/04/2026 20:02
Terresa Lynes	11/04/2026 7:51
Paige McNeil	9/04/2026 12:56
Chris Mitchell	15/04/2026 16:38
Matthew Niikkula	15/04/2026 14:58
Les Price	13/04/2026 6:39
Helen Sadler	9/04/2026 20:28
Robert Schmidt	13/04/2026 11:58
Eman Seif	14/04/2026 6:02
Audra Smith	14/04/2026 16:37
Stephen Strange	9/04/2026 10:25
Liz Sudlow	10/04/2026 13:19
Mike Walmsley	12/04/2026 7:46
Karen Wheatland	9/04/2026 19:10
Barry Winmar	15/04/2026 16:15

The recommendation was endorsed.