



Group Relations Australia Inc
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CALL FOR NOMINATIONS TO THE DIRECTORATE

Dear GRA member colleagues,

As part of this year's AGM there will be an election for the position of **four members** of the Directorate. One member, Jennifer Burrows, has completed the first of her two year term and will continue on the Directorate.

Elections will take place as part of a Members' Day, at the Annual General Meeting to be held **Saturday, 14th November 2020, 3pm – 4pm.**

Role of the Directorate

GRA's Directorate facilitates, supports and initiates activities for members and others interested in learning about group relations, systems psychodynamics and socioanalysis. Activities include a biannual group relations experiential / working conference, seminars, shared learning groups, publication of the journal Socioanalysis and other activities.

The Directorate is also responsible for managing the organisation's administrative affairs on behalf of members. The Directorate is an engaging and satisfying way of learning more about group relations and contributing in a practical way to the aims of the association. You can also have opportunity to work with other members on things that matter to you and to the group relations profession, and support our links to other professional associations such as the Tavistock Institute, ISPSO, NIODA, the PPAA, OFEK, PCCA and ODA. It's one way of getting to know the organisation in depth, meeting other members and contributing.

Practicalities: The Directorate currently meets 6-7 times a year, usually on a Saturday by agreement amongst the Directors with some directorate members taking up portfolio responsibilities for key functions.

More information?

You are encouraged to contact anyone on the Directorate about your interest in a role on the Directorate. In the first instance you may wish to speak with Greg Cook, current Chair of the Directorate. Greg can be contacted at greg.cook@centrelm.com.au or on 0417 370 584.



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Nominations

1. Nominations as ordinary members of the Directorate must be:
 - (a) Made in writing / email, supported by two members of the Association and accompanied by the consent of the candidate (which may be endorsed on the nomination form);
 - (b) Emailed to the GRA Administrator not less than 21 days before the annual general meeting – i.e. **by 12pm, Friday October 23rd**. Please note that due to Covid-related postal delays, we request nominations to be emailed at this time.
2. Members and associate members have full voting rights and can be elected to the Directorate and nominate candidates to the Directorate.
3. If insufficient nominations are received to fill all vacancies on the Directorate, the candidates nominated shall be deemed to be elected. Nominations for unfilled roles can also be received at the annual general meeting.

Voting

Voting is by secret ballot. Proxy votes are available.

Nomination Form

Attached is a nomination form. The form will be deemed signed when it is emailed. Each person – the nominator, seconder and nominated candidate – must send (sign) the form.

The completed form is to be emailed to administrator@grouprelations.org.au **by 12.00pm Friday 23rd October 2020**.

All nominations must be accompanied by a brief resume and election statement by the nominated person.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Greg Cook", written over a white rectangular background.

Greg Cook

Chair GRA Directorate