

MARITZBURG COLLEGE

GOVERNING BODY 2026

Parent Representatives



WARREN SMITH
(BA HONS, LLB), OC 1991

Current position: Director at J Leslie Smith and Co

Chairman

Warren has experience in Civil litigation, Property litigation, Commercial disputes, Land Claim matters and Administrative Law. He currently serves as a Director of the Maritzburg College Foundation, as well as Honorary Secretary of the Maritzburg College Old Boys' Association, and was the Chairman of the Merchiston Preparatory School Governing Body.

STEVE COLENBRANDER

(CA), OC 1978

Current position: MD of Colenbrander

Immediate Past Chairman

Having served several roles at College in the College Foundation, Old Boys' Association and SGB for over 20 years, and with seven years' experience as the Chairman of the SGB, Steve is a highly experienced Old Collegian. He is committed and willing to serve Maritzburg College to ensure that the school continues to provide an excellent grounding and educational experience to boys in KZN and remains a powerhouse school.



IVAN SCHOLTZ
MA (TOWN AND REGIONAL PLANNING)

**Current position: Chief Town and Regional Planner,
Department of Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs**

Vice Chairman & Facilities Development Chairman

In his current position, Ivan brings a wealth of knowledge, experience and skill to this SGB portfolio. As an OC and having served on other schools' governing bodies, Ivan is excited about the opportunity of giving back to Maritzburg College, and seeing the school grow.

RODNEY KLUTE

(CA), OC 1993

Current position: Partner at PricewaterhouseCoopers

Treasurer and Finance Committee Chairman

Rodney has served on the Cordwalles Finance Committee and the Exco of the Maritzburg College Old Boys' Association. He brings a wealth of financial experience and knowledge, and with a son at the school, he is committed to adding value and giving back to College.





CRAIG COOK **(NDIP CIVIL ENGINEERING; MBA), OC 1991**

Current Position: Shareholder and Director: Bolt & Nut Centre, Pmb

Boarder Parents Chairman

With business experience and having served on various councils, committees and trusts, Craig brings strategic thinking, a future-orientated approach, as well as practical implementation skills to the SGB, along with a desire to give back to College.

LUKE VOLANS

Current position: Chief Operating Officer: ServWorxI

Foundation Chairman

Having successfully built up and run his own company, Luke brings expertise in both people leadership and management to the SGB. Experienced in dealing with pressure, he supports an environment of teamwork, initiative and enthusiasm. In serving on the SGB, Luke is committed to contributing to the continued growth of the school.



MEL KLUTE

IMM, MARKETING MANAGEMENT, HIGHER DIPLOMA

Current position: Brand Manager: St Anne's Diocesan College

Club 1863 Chairman

Mel is an experienced marketing professional with extensive expertise in the marketing space. She brings expertise in strategic marketing and brand leadership, with a strong understanding of reputation management, stakeholder engagement and enrolment sustainability, together with a genuine passion for building and strengthening community.

MARK KYLE

BA, LLB SU

Current position: Commercial LawyerI

Legal Chairman

As a proud Old Collegian, mark is passionate about the school, its history, what it stands for and the opportunities it offers. As a practicing commercial lawyer of almost 25 years standing, he brings significant experience in the commercial and legal world especially in helping people to see each other's perspectives and resolving difficult issues



MANISHA PADAYACHEE

B COMM HONS, LLB

Current position: Attorneyl

Discipline Chairman

Manisha has five year's experience in school governance and collaborative decision making, with strong communication skills and the ability to represent parent voices constructively. With a deep commitment to Maritzburg College's values, traditions & culture, she believes in steady principled leadership in support of the Management, staff and broader College community



Ex-Officio Members



CRAIG MACKENZIE

BSC AG ECON, OC 1985

Current position: A sugar farmer, CEO of Retail Group Botswana PTY Ltd, Biochem Trading PTY Ltd and Java Brands SA PTY Ltd.

Board Chairman & Strategic Planning

Craig has served as chairman of the Maritzburg College Governing Body and is the current Chairman of the Maritzburg College Board. With extensive experience in developing businesses and building brands, Craig aims to contribute towards the preservation and elevation of the remarkable brand Maritzburg College. With a deep passion for the school, and gratitude for the invaluable ethos that it instils, he is committed to contributing to the development of our young men.

JON HOATSON

B TECH, OC 1998

Current position: MD Timber: Tekwani

President: MCOBA

As President of the Maritzburg College Old Boys' Association and an engaged Old Collegian, he is passionate about strengthening the relationship between College and its global network of Old Boys while supporting the continued growth and traditions of the school. Professionally Jon holds a BTech degree in wood science and engineering and is involved in the forestry and sawmilling industry, and brings valuable practical business experience and a strong appreciation for stewardship and leadership to the SGB.



COLLEGE STAFF MEMBERS

Headmaster: Alan Redfern

Educators: Brent Dodd, Jenna Stoute, Jabulani Mhlongo

Non-educator representative and secretary: Shannon Elliott

Learners: D du Toit, A Lembethe, B Hadebe

Ex-Officio College Staff Positions:

Senior Deputy Headmaster: Jeanette Finnie

Commercial Director: Ken Burt

Director of College Business: Kevin Smith (OC 1985)

Administration: Sue Calmeyer