

## The Boards & Committees of the Uniting Church in Queensland

*Uniting Church Synod of Queensland is supported and led by an extraordinary group of women and men serving in its governing boards and committees. We give thanks to God for those who serve, and welcome [expressions of interest](#) to join these boards and committees.*

### **Synod Standing Committee (SSC)**

Charged with attentive listening, careful discernment, and trustworthy leadership, SSC acts on behalf of the Synod between ordinary meetings, aligning its work with the Synod's decisions and values. The Synod selects lay and ordained committee members for their wisdom, experience, and insight.

### **Muth Arrak / QLD UAICC Regional Council**

Our covenant relationship between First and Second peoples is at the heart of the Uniting Church. The Uniting Aboriginal and Island Christian Congress works to live out the hopes written within the covenant statement and members of Muth Arrak / the UAICC Queensland Regional Council, lead mission and ministry alongside First Nations Communities across Queensland.

### **Uniting Church in Australia Property Trust (Q)**

The sole legal entity of the Church in Queensland, the Trust holds property and enters contractual relationships on behalf of the Church. Members are chosen for their expertise in legal or contractual contexts and for their deep knowledge of and commitment to the Church.

### **Finance, Investment, and Property Board (FIP)**

Assisting SSC with its oversight of matters relating to property, finance and resources are the key tasks of the FIP Board. Members are chosen for both their financial or property expertise and for their commitment to realising the vision and mission of the Uniting Church.

### **Mission Collaboration and Coordination Committee (MC3)**

MC3 is designed to help the Church grow in its mission focus and effectiveness, emphasising healthy mission partnerships across the Church. Members are drawn from each Presbytery, ensuring wisdom from every part of Queensland. MC3 is a sub-committee of the Synod Standing Committee.

### **Audit and Risk Committee (ARC)**

A keen eye for detail, careful discernment, and a vision for the future of the Church are key attributes of the Audit and Risk Committee (a sub-committee of SSC). The committee develops, monitors, and deploys risk management strategies in financial, operational, and human terms.

### **Remuneration and Nominations Committee (RNC)**

Identifying, nurturing, retaining, and supporting people in the exercise of their call and vocation are vital in the life of our Church. Chosen for their wisdom and expertise in these aspects of human resource management, members of this Committee advise the Synod Standing Committee on matters relating to recruitment, remuneration and human resource management policies.

## **Board for Christian Formation (BCF)**

Oversight of effective theological education and ministerial training and formation are the responsibility of BCF. Members work hard to stay aware of the missional needs of the Church and developments in theological and educational practice. They develop and deliver the Church's education and formation strategy through Trinity College Queensland.

## **Advisory Committee on Ministerial Placements (Placements Committee)**

Prayerful discernment, careful reflection, and a deep knowledge of the Church are the hallmarks of this Committee. Tasked with helping to connect the ministry agents with ministry placements throughout the Church, the Committee comprises Synod, Presbytery and Agency representatives.

## **Multi-Cross Cultural Reference Group (MCCRG)**

The beauty and blessing of being diverse and multicultural is central to the Uniting Church. MCCRG brings a wide range of skills and experiences to assist congregations, presbyteries, and the Synod to enact this vision. MCCRG hosts regular events and publishes mission and ministry resources.

## **Dostana**

Dostana is a real-world expression of the Church's commitment to mission partnerships, supporting a partnership with the Church of North India, Amritsar Diocese. Dostana includes faith and cultural exchange, fundraising and practical support. Members are drawn from across both Churches.

## **Uniting Education Schools and Colleges (Uniting Education)**

Supporting young people through quality education and experiences in its affiliated schools and residential colleges is a core missional commitment of the Church. Members of this board bring extensive mission, education and professional experience to their work in the educational mission.

## **Schools**

The Uniting Church has direct association with three schools (Calvary Christian College, The Lakes College and Scots PGC College), and partners in support of many other schools. The Church appoints board members to the responsible entities for most schools it is in mission with.

## **Residential Colleges**

The Church operates or is affiliated with, several residential colleges for university students, appointing board members to the responsible entities for each college it is in mission with.

## **Uniting Early Learning Sub-committee**

The Uniting Early Learning sub-committee oversees a statewide network of early learning services. Board members bring deep insight into the early learning sector, the mission and purpose of the Church, and the legal and financial requirements of an extensive community service organisation.

## **Specialist Committees**

The Synod also convenes several specialist committees, including the Committee for Counselling, the Committee for Discipline, and the Sexual Misconduct Complaints Committee. Members are drawn from across the Uniting Church and bring appropriate specialist skills to support their work.