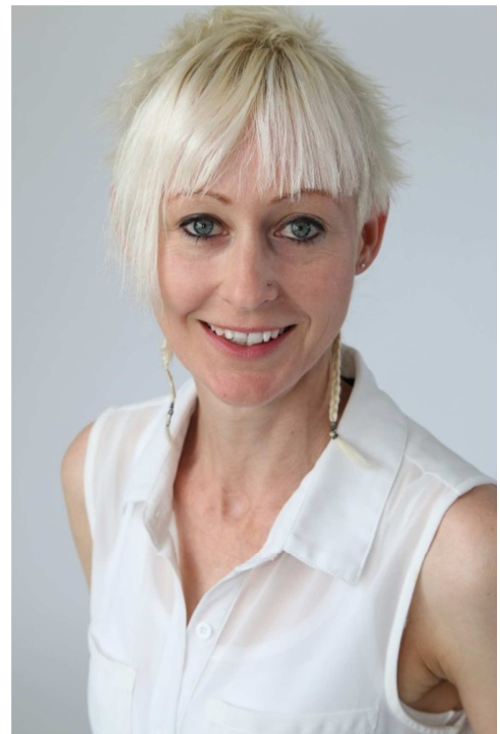


**Candidate Profile of
Sally Mc Gunnigle Trail
For Board of Trustees Nomination
Whangarei Boys' High School**

Kia ora. It is with great pleasure that I stand for the Board of Trustees at Whangarei Boys High School (WBHS) I was born and raised in Whangarei, with a firm link to WBHS that has spanned over 30 years and three generations. My association started with my father, Alan, who taught Science at WBHS for 30 years, and was carried on by my husband Grady, who currently teaches Wood Technology, and now my son Angus, who started at WBHS this year in year 9. I have also spent time at WBHS as a trainee and a relief teacher. As such, I have a strongly vested interest in the past, present and future of WBHS.



My own teaching career has enabled me to work for WBHS , Kamo High and Mangakahia Area School (where I had a Middle Management appointment), to now teach personalised programmes for students studying English at Te Aho o Te Kura Pounamu. Hands on involvement in Te Kotahitanga and Ka Hikitia Maori Education Strategies and embracing the Tātaiako teaching competencies within my own teaching practice, have enabled me to develop resources and strategies specific to empowering Maori learners. As such I understand the importance of education from cultural, learning and teaching perspectives and appreciate the importance of communication and transparency between BOT, staff, parents and students, to best enhance the teaching and learning environment of our boys, to aid them in becoming 'fine young men'.

Working as a teacher, previously running my own business, and having worked in various roles both in a paid and voluntary capacity which have required strategic planning and financial management, I am well equipped to carry out the planning, monitoring, reporting and reviewing that is required at Board level.

With a change of Principal, and with it an inevitable change in strategic direction for WBHS, now is the perfect opportunity for fresh representation on WBHS BOT. As a mother and teacher, a highly motivated and organised individual, and a supporter of tradition and upholding values, I believe that my appointment to WBHS BOT would bring a wealth of knowledge and experience, together with a passion for education and the success of our boys.