



Peter Battersby

Executive Officer Resources – Uniting Church in Australia (SA)

Peter is an experienced executive leader with expertise in governance, accounting, financial management and human resources. He adds significant value to the UC Invest Board, drawing on his committee and board experience, including serving as Synod Treasurer, Uniting Church in Australia (SA). Peter is driven by a desire to see the church prosper, the pursuit of excellence in governance, continual improvement of systems and procedures and responsible stewardship of people. A CPA with a Diploma in Business, he values open communication, diligence, integrity and trust.

Education & Memberships

- Certificate in Company Secretary Essentials (Governance Institute of Australia) – 2024
- Certificate in Governance for Not-for-Profits (Governance Institute of Australia) – 2023
- Certificate in Governance and Risk Management (Governance Institute of Australia) – 2019
- Graduate Australian Institute of Company Directors – 2019
- Graduate Certificate in Counselling (Tabor College – Adelaide) – 2009
- Certified Practising Accountant – 2003
- Diploma in Business (Human Resource Management and Industrial Relations) (University of South Australia) – 1998
- Bachelor of Arts in Accountancy (University of South Australia) – 1995
- Graduate – Australian Institute of Company Directors
- Member – Australian Certified Practising Accountants
- Member – Australian Human Resource Institute
- Member – Governance Institute of Australia
- Life Member – South Australian Church Basketball Association

Experience

Current

Uniting Church in Australia (SA)

Executive Officer Resources

Property Officer and Secretary, Uniting Church in Australia Property Trust (SA)

Director/Secretary, Uniting Church SA Investment Fund Limited

Synod Treasurer, Uniting Church in Australia (SA)

Member, Synod of SA (Standing Committee)

Director, Resources Board

Chair, Uniting Venues SA

Chair, Risk Management Committee

Chair and Co – Convenor, Ethical Investment Working Group

Committee Member, Uniting Church Investment Committee

Chair and Secretary, Human Resource and Remuneration Committee

Member, Stipends Committee

Member, Safe Church Committee
 Member, Crisis Management Team
 Member, Mission & Property Strategy Working Group

Previous

General Manager, Resources – Uniting Church in Australia (SA)
 Deputy General Manager – Uniting Church in Australia (SA)
 Manager, Financial Services – Uniting Church in Australia (SA)
 Director, Finance and Human Resources – Asia Pacific – SirsiDynix Pty Ltd
 Assistant Accountant – Fuelink Pty Ltd (previously Clark Petroleum Pty Ltd)

Significant Achievements

- Strengthened the Resources Team, balancing diminishing resources and increasing regulatory and compliance responsibilities.
- Established Information and Communication Technology team
- Initiated and oversaw establishment of Uniting Venues SA
- Established Risk Management Committee and key governance documents
- Initiated restructure of Resources Team
- Established WHS function (including appointment of WHS Co-ordinator)
- Developed and managed capital budgets for major building projects
- Negotiated the purchase of Synod's Brooklyn Park campus and funding for its refurbishment
- Instrumental in negotiating and achieving a balanced operating budget
- Key contributor to the Property Viability paper
- Established a property covenant between UAICC and Uniting Church in Australia (SA)
- Initiated and managed a change to the Uniting Church in Australia Property Trust (SA) 1976-77 Act
- Developed Governance framework documents to establish UCSAIF Ltd
- Developed Funding Model to support restructure of the UCSA Presbytery and Synod
- Oversaw and key contributor to the review and delivery of Property Trust Church Property portfolio report – led to establishment of Synod's mission & property strategy working group.

Key Strengths

- High level of integrity and commitment
- Governance excellence
- Excellent verbal and written communicator
- Able to successfully manage multiple projects concurrently
- Considered, logical & strategic decision maker
- Team builder