

## Ward d'Houet Education Board

### Board Member Profile: Prof Roslyn Arnold

Roslyn Arnold is Professor is working with the Vice Chancellor at the University of Tasmania as Chair Strategic Partnerships Education. Most recently she was the Dean of Education, and Head of School at the University of Tasmania. Prior to this she was Pro-Dean and Head of School in the Faculty of Education at the University of Sydney, and Deputy Chair of the Academic Board, and Fellow of Senate at the University of Sydney. She has been Deputy Chair of St John's College within the University of Sydney and is currently Chair of Loreto/FCJ Education Board with nationwide responsibilities.



Professor Arnold was a student at Loreto Mandeville Hall from 1958 – 1961, when she matriculated as Dux of the School. She also spent a year at Loreto Marryatville in 1957. She maintained her connections with Loreto over her academic career at the University of Sydney, conducting research for her Ph.D at Loreto Kirribilli during a four year period in the early eighties. She was Chair of the Council of Loreto Normanhurst from 2000 – 2001.

She has been actively involved throughout her career in English and Drama education, teacher education, issues relating to students' learning and literacy and in empathic leadership development.

Professor Arnold is regularly consulted on policy matters by education agencies and has written several reports to Ministers of Education. She is often invited to comment on education matters on radio and in the press. She has just completed a book Empathic Intelligence: Teaching, Learning, Relating, University of New South Wales Press 2005. She has given keynote addresses nationally and internationally on her research interests including empathic leadership, arts-based pedagogy and empathic intelligence. She is an experienced university leader and administrator and is particularly interested in effective change agendas in organisations. Her next book will be on Empathic Leadership in Organisations.

Her publications include Timely Voices, Writing Development: Magic in the Brain and Mirror the Wind (a collection of her poems). She is currently working towards her second collection of poems and completion of her novel Laugh at Gilded Butterflies.