



# **SASW 53RD ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2023**

**Election of New Executive  
Committee 2023-2025**

**Nomination Booklet**



## Tan Sze Wee

### **Nomination - President**

Sze Wee currently serves as the Executive Director of Rainbow Centre, Singapore. She has served in different capacities in the organization- as a social worker, manager of the early intervention centre, vice principal of its special school and as director of corporate services. Her varied and extensive experience and knowledge of the disability sector has seen her drive initiatives like the School to Community Transition Planning, Family Empowerment Programme, Making Every Preschool Inclusive and Connected Communities. At the heart of these projects are social work values and principles such as person-centred planning and empowerment of individuals, families and communities.

Sze Wee is a member of the Social Work Accreditation and Advisory Board. She started the Disability Network in 2014, and has chaired Disability Social Work Chapter since its inception in 2018. Sze Wee has been a Social Service Fellow since 2017. She is also a member of the following:

- Social Service SkillsFuture Tripartite Taskforce
- YMCA Board
- Enabling Masterplan 2030 Steering Committee

Sze Wee continues to support the professional development of young social workers through case discussions. She also serves as Master Social Worker in the Kidstart Multidisciplinary Team.



## Phua Chun Yat

### **Nomination - Vice President**

Chun Yat is currently the Chief Operating Officer at Samaritans of Singapore. Prior to this, he was at AMKFSC Community Services and headed the strategic planning, organisation development and internal audit functions, headed the Centre for Collaborative Practice and acted as corporate secretary to AMKFSC Board of Directors.

Chun Yat obtained his Master of Science in Social Policy and Planning from the London School of Economics and Bachelor of Social Science in Social Work from the National University of Singapore. He is currently reading an MSc in Major Programme Management at the University of Oxford.

Over the last 15 years, he has worked in the children and youth, disability and family sectors in the Ministry of Social and Family Development, National Council of Social Service (NCSS) and in different social service organisations. He is on the NCSS SunRay Scheme that hires and develops high caliber leaders for the social service sector. To support the growth of future social workers in the sector, he lectures at the SUSS and NUS in the social work postgraduate and undergraduate programmes.





## Hayley Chau Yoke Chui

### **Nomination - Honorary Secretary**

Having first started serving in the SASW Exco from 1999 to 2003, Hayley re-joined the Exco in 2007 and had continued until the present, in various portfolios. These include Assistant Honorary Secretary, Chair for Public Relations, Chair for Finance, Treasurer, Representative to the Singapore Council of Women's Organisations as well as being involved in planning various Social Workers' Day celebrations and Social Work Induction camps.

With a background in medical social work and social service planning, she has a M.Soc.Sci (Social Work) and is currently working in healthcare operational initiatives.

Serving in SASW is her way of vicariously contributing to the profession and carrying on the mission of social work. She is inspired by the development in the social work scene over the years and looks forward to more exciting times to come.



**Wong Liling**

**Nomination - Assistant Honorary Secretary**

Ms Wong Liling graduated with Honours in Social Sciences from the National University of Singapore and subsequently pursued a Master of Social Work from the Washington University in St. Louis. She has been with the Ministry of Social and Family Development for the most of her career, where she has worked with young persons involved in the justice system, built capability of the social service sector in areas such as offender rehabilitation and management of family violence, and more recently in supporting families impacted by divorce.

**There are two nominees for the position of Honorary Treasurer.**



**Das Bridget Monica**

**Nomination - Honorary Treasurer**

Bridget is presently the Head of Psychosocial Services at Ren Ci Hospital. Her experience is seen in 3 main areas – Family Service Centre, Church Pastoral Care and Medical Social Work within the ILTC sector. Bridget holds a postgraduate diploma in clinical supervision and a postgraduate diploma in expressive arts.

Her personal motto “Comforted to Comfort” serves drive her dedication to improving the well-being of the various groups she has been involved with. Bridget leads the team in Ren Ci Hospital to fulfil the psychosocial and spiritual needs of patients and caregivers. These experiences have been documented in book “Medical Social Work In Singapore: Context And Practice” It is her hope that these experiences will also benefit fellow colleagues working with elders in residential settings.

Bridget is presently a member of the Social Work Accreditation and Advisory Board. She is passionate about supervision and has been involved in various supervision platforms such as Supervision of Supervision Cross Sector Workgroup and the 2023 Social Work Supervision Seminar.



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**Edwin Tan Lye Soon**

**Nomination - Honorary Treasurer**

Edwin Tan, a social worker with 25 years of experience, holds a Master of Social Work from the National University of Singapore as well as a Master of Social Science in Counselling from Edith Cowan University (Australia). He is currently an Executive Director with THKMC Family Services.



## Chan Whee Peng

### **Nomination – Training and Professional Development Chair**

Whee Peng currently teaches at the SUSS' social work programme. Before this, he was with the National Council Social Service where he was the Director of Services. During his career at the NCSS, he has worked with partners in the sector to develop social services, funding policies, and service standards for the social service sector. Some of these initiatives include the outcome management framework, the Enabling Masterplan, public education campaigns to promote inclusion of persons with disabilities, and Beyond The Label anti-stigma movement. Besides the NCSS, he has had stints in medical social work, community social work, and as general manager of two Social Service Offices. He hopes to continue his service to the association and seeks the support from members for this privilege.



## Lin Liping Iris

### **Nomination - Membership and Registration Chair**

Iris is a trained Social Worker and has worked in Fei Yue Community Services for the past 20 years. She started her Social Work journey as a youth Social Worker who worked with youths with different needs. She is currently heading the Early Intervention Programme for Infants and Children in Fei Yue, unifying the multi-disciplinary team with organization's vision and providing strategic direction for the team. Iris' passion is in grooming and development of young social workers and leaders who wants to do good work to serve the vulnerable groups in Singapore.





**Joan Fang Rouyue**

**Nomination - Public Relations Chair**



Joan has been a practising social worker for several years and has experience in the social welfare, mental health, and criminal justice settings. She was the Chair, Public Relations, during the FY21/23 term and is seeking to continue contributing to the same role for the FY23/25 term. Prior to this, Joan has also volunteered with SASW as Chair, Membership and with the Criminal Justice Social Work Chapter.



**Sophie Cheng Xiaolin**

**Nomination - Publications Chair**

Sophie is an instructor at the National University of Singapore, focusing on teaching the next generation of social workers in health-related social work and micro skills. Prior to moving into education, Sophie had over ten years of experience in direct social work practice in various settings.

She has been involved with the Singapore Association of Social Workers in various capacities and is the outgoing publications chair. Her best hopes for the upcoming term is to continue to build the publications teams' efforts in order to bring forward our voices through the Association's publications.



## Alvin Tan Wai Hong

### **Nomination - Finance Chair**

Alvin Tan is the Deputy Executive Director at Shan You. As a mid-careerist, he stepped foot into the social service sector in 2005 where he worked with young offenders undergoing probation. Thereafter, he progressed to work with offenders in the Halfway House and had a short stint working with children with special needs in a special school and Welfare Home as the Superintendent.

Alvin Tan graduated with a Bachelor of Science (Psychology) from the University of Southern Queensland and a Master of Social Work from The University of Hong Kong. Beyond work, Alvin spends his time volunteering with various organisations. He is an active volunteer with the Ministry of Social and Family Development (MSF), Singapore Aftercare Association (SACA), Kong Meng San Phor Kark See Monastery, Tibetan Buddhist Centre (TBC) and Singapore Association of Social Workers (SASW).

Alvin Tan's involvement in SASW started with organising the Social Work Induction Camp 2018 and as one of the emcees at Social Work Day 2019. He is currently a committee member of the Criminal Justice Social Work Chapter.