



Thursday 19 October 2023
Valedictory Dinner

Introduction of Fellow

Emeritus Professor Carol Dickenson AM
President of the College Council

Good evening. Our first award tonight is the Award of Fellow of the College.

A Fellowship is the highest recognition that the College can bestow. Fellowships honour persons of eminence and high achievement in the community, in particular alumnae, Council members and staff of the college. The person or people to receive such an award must have met one or more of the following criteria:

- Have distinction in their field and have given service to the College community through their profession;
- have made a substantial contribution to higher education and/or the college community by commitment to services; and
- have benefited the general community through leadership in public life.

It is my great pleasure to advise that we have two candidates tonight to be awarded Fellowships. We will bestow these awards one at a time.

I invite Ms Kim Lyons on to the stage.

Citation

The College Council has determined that the honour of College Fellow be bestowed upon Mrs Kim Lyons (née Emery), until recently Deputy President of The Women's College Council, in recognition of her substantial contribution to the College community by her commitment to services.

Kim has had a long and active association with The Women's College. She was a resident from 2001 to 2005, assuming the leadership positions of Resident Assistant in 2003 and 2004 and Senior Resident Assistant in 2005.

Following her graduation from The University of Queensland, Kim served on the Executive Committee of The Women's College Chislehurst Society (a volunteer association of former collegians) from 2006 to 2014 as Honorary Secretary, then President. She was elected to the College Council in 2012 and as Deputy President in 2017. During this time, she has also served on the Finance, Risk & Audit and Alumnae Advisory Committees. Kim has an undeniable passion for all that The Women's College strives to achieve and maintains a particularly active role in alumnae engagement. Throughout her 22-year involvement, Kim has made a remarkable and lasting contribution to the College and its community through her sustained commitment to a wide range of services.

Congratulations, Kim, on this Fellowship award for such an outstanding contribution to the College and its community.