



# WESTVILLE SENIOR PRIMARY

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## SCHOOL GOVERNING BODY MEMBERS

### **MR NAEEM ASVAT - CHAIRPERSON**

Elected Parent and Office Bearer



Mr Asvat is a Chartered Accountant and the Regional Executive of the South African Institute of Chartered Accountants (SAICA). Prior to joining SAICA, he worked at KPMG for ten years, and trained and qualified as a Chartered Accountant. Asvat's experience includes external and internal audit, forensic investigations, tax compliance and tax consulting as well as various consulting assignments. He also worked in the UK and Namibia in addition.

He is absolutely dedicated and committed to the upliftment and improvement of the quality of education, has an immense passion for the education sector and a great desire for making a difference to society within his sphere of influence. He has gained a lot of experience with SGBs through this involvement and understands the school environment and how the school sector works.

He is also a Councillor on the KZN Human Resource Development Council under the auspices of the KZN Premier and Chairs the KZN standing committee on Science Technology Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) for Education.

### **MR STUART BROOKS - VICE CHAIRPERSON**

Elected Parent and Office Bearer



Mr Brooks has a BSc in Electronic Engineering from the University of Natal and over twenty years experience in the technology industry. He is currently head of engineering at Cathexis Technologies, responsible for the development of video technology products which are used both locally and internationally.

He hopes to bring these skills to bear in helping the school plot a way forward, preparing the children for a 21st century economy. He also believes in encouraging a wide range of interests - academic, sporting and cultural - to promote the development of well-rounded individuals.

### **MR RISHAAD BISMILLA - TREASURER**

Elected Parent and Office Bearer



Mr Bismilla, is employed as Head of Projects of Albaraka Bank. He is a Chartered Accountant with an MBA Qualification and Project Management Certification. He has served on two school boards previously, and understands the operational and financial demands of a school extensively.

He was accountable for restructuring the financing portfolio of a school, set up systems and process for financial controls. Mr Bismilla has developed and implemented an e-learning platform and has Extensive industry experience in education, up to tertiary level through financial and forensic audits on Universities. He also has a strong financial and IT background from a planning and control perspective that will help the school transition into the Digital Era.

### **MRS DEBRA CLELLAND**

Elected Parent



Mrs Clelland is a business analyst and Project Manager who has over 20 years of experience. Mrs Clelland is highly experienced and is the co-founder and currently, the co-director of Thrive, a non-profit organisation providing services to families who have children who are deaf.