1. Parole Board Queensland (the Board) is an independent statutory body that makes decisions about a prisoner’s release into the community under supervision. The Board decides prisoners’ applications for release into the community on parole, and amends, suspends or cancels parole orders for prisoners who have been released to parole. The highest priority in making parole decisions is the safety of the community.
2. The Act provides that the Board consists of the following members:

* the president;
* at least one deputy president;
* at least two members (each a professional board member) who have a university or professional qualification that is relevant to the functions of the PBQ, including, for example, a legal or medical qualification;
* at least one police officer nominated by the commissioner (each a police representative);
* at least one public service officer, nominated by the chief executive, who has expertise or experience in probation and parole matters (each a public service representative); and
* the required number of other members (each a community board member), each of whom represents the Queensland community.

1. Cabinet endorsed that Valentina McKenzie be recommended to the Governor in Council for appointment as professional member (legal) to the Parole Board Queensland for a term of three years commencing from date of Governor in Council approval.
2. Cabinet endorsed that the following nominees be recommended to the Governor in Council for appointment as community members to the Parole Board Queensland for a term of three years commencing from date of Governor in Council approval:

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| * Barbara Williams | * Brett Thompson |
| * Mark Zeller | * Maxine Renouf |
| * Michelle Denton | * Monique Ulrick-Hunter |
| * Peter Maher | * Robert Hastings |
| * Simone Healy | * Sue Scheinpflug |
| * Tracey Barty | * Tracey Jackson |

1. *Attachments*
   * Nil.