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Participation, Inclusion and Regional Engagement — Branch Memo

**TO:** ACFE Board

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**FROM:** Joanne Favretto, Acting Director — Participation, Inclusion and Regional Engagement Branch

**DATE:** 18 June 2019

**SUBJECT: Welcome new ACFE Board members**

The Adult Community and Further Education Board is pleased to welcome Ms Helen Kennedy and Ms Margaret Lewis, as of 13 May 2019.

The new appointments filled existing vacancies, bringing the Board to a total of 12 members.

The ACFE Board is excited for the expertise and insight they will bring to the Learn Local sector.

**Ms Helen Kennedy** has extensive experience in leadership and community development, specifically relating to Aboriginal wellbeing.

Ms Kennedy has held senior management roles within the Victorian Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Organisation and was responsible for the effective and operational management support of eight health programs.

Ms Kennedy has also been responsible for the management of over 45 staff including those providing allied health services to at risk members of the Victorian community.

**Ms Margaret Lewis** has wide-ranging experience on community boards and committees including Goldfields Local Learning Employment Network, Bendigo Trades Hall Council, and the Victorian branch of the Australian Education Unions State Council.

Ms Lewis is currently a board member of Castlemaine Health, Remembrance Parks Victoria, Planning for Sustainable Animal Industries Implementation Reference Group, and Joyces Creek Cemetery Trust in addition to other non-government bodies and committees.

Ms Lewis also has extensive experience in education, being a teacher for 21 years and a Principal for 18 years.