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Tony Joyner Celebrates Eight Years as Chair of the Scitech Board

Tony Joyner has stepped down as Chair of the Scitech Board after eight years at the helm of Western Australia’s leading science, technology, engineering and maths (STEM) engagement organisation.

Speaking at the Scitech AGM on Wednesday 25 November, Mr Joyner praised Scitech as an extraordinary organisation that provides extraordinary opportunities to ignite a lifelong passion for STEM.

“It has been a rare privilege for me to lead Scitech for the past eight years and I am immensely proud of how the people of Scitech creatively and passionately engage our community through inspiring STEM learning experiences.” Mr Joyner said.

“There have been many great achievements to celebrate from my time as Chair, however it’s the transformational journey Scitech has initiated with the New Scitech strategy that I am particularly proud of. Over the last few years, we have shown that rejuvenation of process, reignition of ideas and readdressing a simple mission statement of STEM engagement is not only possible, but necessary.”

“New Scitech has boosted the role Scitech plays in this state to deepen STEM engagement and I have every confidence that this journey will reap the benefits for every Western Australian citizen in the years and decades to come.” Mr Joyner concluded.

Kalien Selby, Scitech’s Chief Executive Officer responded by thanking Mr Joyner for his commitment and support to move the dial on STEM engagement in WA.

“I have been consistently inspired by Tony’s ideas and energy to do the best for Scitech and for the West Australian community. Particularly in 2020 his guidance has been reassuring while navigating the complex environment of COVID-19.” Ms Selby said.

Tony Joyner joined the Scitech Board in 2010 and took up the position as Chair in 2012. In the years since, Scitech has won many prestigious global awards for distinctive STEM engagement, including a place in the WA Export Awards Hall of Fame.

Feature exhibitions have toured the globe, bringing Scitech-style STEM to international audiences. Notably, in 2015 the NASA Space Centre in Houston hired Scitech’s “Astronaut” exhibition, closely followed by “Planet Pioneers”.

Scitech presenters have travelled to every regional and remote community school on a three-year rotation, and in response to COVID-19 social restrictions, the organisation quickly pivoted to digital delivery to ensure the continuation of STEM engagement in the community.

Tony Joyner is congratulated by his fellow Board members for his achievements and will be followed by Chris Palandri, Regional Managing Director of Multiplex WA, as the new Chair of the Scitech Board.