

FOR LEADING FEMINIST CHANGES  
IN THE PUBLIC SPHERE

## A LEADERSHIP AWARD

Maree O'Halloran has made a feminist difference to the lives of women, as a trade union leader, a campaigner for welfare rights, and as a dancer.

As President of the NSW Teachers Federation from 2002 to 2008 Maree was constantly in the media advocating for the working conditions of teachers, most of whom are women, and the educational experience for girls and boys. In 2005 she negotiated a 12% pay rise over 3 years for teachers. This new award also increased maternity leave from 9 to 14 weeks a year.

Currently she is the Director of the Welfare Rights Centre in NSW and as a solicitor, provides free legal assistance, particularly to poor and disadvantaged women.

Maree is a seasoned lobbyist and campaigner, a role model for lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and intersex teachers and students and, in her spare time, she teaches and promotes ballroom dancing for older women!

Maree O'Halloran –

Keep on Dancing!



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