

Board Nominees

Alexandra Ages

I am interested in becoming a member of the FGCA Board for a number of reasons, but above all, because I am a member of the Fairfield community and care passionately about my neighborhood. I grew up on Kipling Street, attended Sir James Douglas Elementary School, and presently attend the University of Victoria while still residing in Fairfield; over the years, I have attended numerous community events put on by the community centre, and feel very lucky to have had the privilege of being raised in such a lovely neighborhood, which is why I would now like to give back as much as I can. Having served on the City of Victoria Youth Council for two years, and having completed Diverse City's Governance Training Program, I feel like the best way right now that I can help serve the community I love is by becoming a member of the community association's board.

Alice Albert

My name is Alice Albert. A highlight of my 39 years in Victoria has been my residency in Fairfield for the past 37 years. My background and employment history is eclectic. I have worked as an administrator, supervisor, educator and trainer in Canada and the UK. I have volunteered for a few organizations and sat on boards. In Victoria, I was a founder of the Together Against Poverty Society. As a member of women's organizations I have been involved in organizing conferences, workshops, and presented to a Parliamentary Committee. In the early 1990's I sat on two City of Victoria Committees. In the 1980's I was very involved with the FGCA and worked with the Space Committee to secure funding for a staff person. For the past 18 months I have been on the Land Use Committee and a member of the Board for approximately 11 months. It would give me great pleasure to serve our community on the Board for a two year term.

Don Monsour

As an advocate for community involvement Don has enjoyed participating and leading organizations in achieving their goals. While working with profit and not for profit organizations for over 45 years in several key initiatives he has developed a strong understanding of the rules and regulations that govern many boards and committees. As a leader of volunteer groups made up of individual personalities and objectives, he has successfully managed challenging goals and budgets and helped raise close to 2 million dollars for not for profit associations. This experience, coupled with his business background, has provided Don with the ability to work within board guidelines helping to achieve the strategic goals and direction as set by the board. Don truly believes that understanding the dynamics and chemistry that exists on a board is vital in supporting a board successful outcome.

Bryan Rowley

Bryan has been a resident of Victoria since 2014 and has thoroughly enjoyed his time living in Fairfield Community. He is currently studying his MA in Community Development at the University of Victoria and is wishing to apply the teachings of his program to help the Fairfield and Gonzales Community Association fulfill its mission. Bryan has a passion for working with children and has spent almost his entire work and volunteer career supporting children with disabilities and helping to provide them with the skills to reach their full potential. Bryan believes that board experience with Fairfield and Gonzales Community Association will enrich his understanding of the community and provide him with a more holistic perspective on the issues they face, and intends to draw upon the assets of the community to bring about the change its members seek.

David Thompson

David Thompson is a researcher and consultant who has worked for over 20 years in the areas of fiscal and environmental policy, sustainable communities, and organizational development and governance. He has an academic background in law and economics. He has lived in Rockland and James Bay, and is thrilled to have settled with his family and dog in Fairfield Gonzales — where his neighbourhood is full of free-range kids, and people walking in the street say hello to one another.

Kevin White

Kevin White is an educator and consultant working for over 25 years in senior administration in both public and private K-12 schools. He has also held senior positions with a number of International curriculum organizations. Kevin holds three degrees, including a MA in educational technologies, and has led various national and international learning projects and conferences. He is an active hobbyist and has a passion for the outdoors and sports. He has been involved in a number of community organizations including the Chair of the Planning Advisory committee for the City of Orillia (Ontario). He believes in “paying-it-forward,” and loves to volunteer when possible. Kevin has been in Victoria for the past 16 years, and recently moved to Fairfield with his wife and three children, and is grateful to be part of such a caring and committed community. He hopes to help sustain this culture of “community relationships” with his involvement in the community association.