

MEMORANDUM

To: MCWD Board of Managers
From: Darren Lochner, Education Program Manager
Date: December 5, 2016
Re: MCWD Citizen Advisory Committee appointments

Purpose:

Each year the MCWD Board of Managers appoints the Citizen Advisory Committee members for the upcoming calendar year. The Board is asked to review the CAC application materials to make appointments for 2017.

Background:

By Statute, MCWD is obligated annually to appoint members to its Citizen Advisory Committee. The CAC serves an important role in advising the MCWD Board of Managers on all issues pertinent to the functions and purpose of the watershed district. The term of this appointment will run through the calendar year of 2017. Thirteen of the seventeen individuals who currently serve on the CAC have indicated an interest in returning in that role. In addition, eighteen new individuals have submitted applications to serve on the CAC for a total of 31 total applications.

Included with this memorandum is a summary spreadsheet of all eligible applicants and completed application forms. MCWD staff solicited membership through the MCWD website, newsletters, news release and reaching out to district partners.

According to past practice, Managers determine the size of the CAC for the upcoming year. Managers are also recommended to review the attached applications and select individuals for whom they support for appointment to the CAC.

Next Steps:

Once the committee appointments are finalized MCWD staff will communicate with the appointed CAC members and provide an orientation to all current and new members.

If there are questions in advance of the meeting, please contact:

Darren Lochner, Education Program Manager, dlochner@minnehahacreek.org; 952-641-4524

MCWD Citizen Advisory Committee Members 2017 Applications		
Name	City	Status
Steve Mohn	Eden Prairie	Returning
Deirdre Mahoney	Edina	New
Richard Manser	Edina	Returning
Richard Nyquist	Edina	Returning
Edward (Bud) Boberg	Excelsior	New
Craig Wilson	Hopkins	New
Cassandra Ordway	Long Lake	New
Neil Weber	Long Lake	Returning
Bradley J. Coulthart	Minneapolis (Standish)	New
Elizabeth Crow	Minneapolis (Ericsson)	New
Chandra Henrich	Minneapolis (Nokomis)	New
Margaret Hill	Minneapolis (Harriet)	New
Cynthia Novak-Krebs	Minneapolis (Corcoran)	New
Richard Polanski	Minneapolis (Linden Hills)	New
David Oltmans	Minneapolis (Diamond Lake)	Returning
John Grams	Minnetonka	New
Michael Happe	Minnetonka	New
Brad Lehrman	Minnetonka	New
Marc Rosenberg	Minnetonka	Returning
Frank Meuschke	Minnetrista	New
Gary Vars	Minnetrista	New
William (Bill) Bushnell	Minnetrista	Returning
Robyn Barziza Chargo	Mound	New
Richard Wigner	Mound	New
Brian Girard	Orono	Returning
Linda Jahnke	St. Louis Park	New
Gerald Ciardelli	St. Louis Park	Returning
Colin Cox	St. Louis Park	Returning
Jacqueline Di Giiacomo	Tonka Bay	Returning
Peter Rechelbacher	Wayzata	Returning
Sliv Carlson	Woodland	Returning

Total: 31 Applicants (13 returning, 18 new)

2017 CAC Applications

Name	Address	Occupation and Employer	Conflicts of Interest
Steve Mohn	9812 Lee Drive, Eden Prairie	Financial Manager, College Hill Ventures	None
Background Director of Area Partnership for Pierson Lake Enhancement Prior member of MCWD rules committee (2007-2009) Member of MCWD CAC (2010-2016) Member Coalition of Minnehaha Creek Waters	Why I Want to Serve We have a cabin on Pierson Lake, enjoy spending time on the lake and in the surrounding lands. I see how poor, but legal, agriculture practices are damaging the lake, the impact AIS like curly leaf pondweed and milfoil have on lakes, and how people often don't think about how their actions effect the lake, the surrounding wetlands and the watershed. Through serving on the watershed I've become aware of how actions on our lake effect every waterbody downstream. I want to continue to help improve the watershed so the resources we enjoy are not only preserved but better for the generations to come.	Issues of Interest The spread of AIS and how new AIS like Starry Stonewort are having an even greater negative effect on Minnesota's lakes than the current AIS we are battling. Collaborate with the counties regarding developing a viable, cost effective method of preventing the spread of AIS. Finding ways to reduce runoff especially sediment, chloride and other chemicals. Educating watershed residents about both the good and bad consequences to the watershed of their behaviors.	References John Pierson
Deirdre Mahoney	21 Circle West, Edina	Spanish Teacher, Brainerd Schools	Cabin time is the only problem I can think of!
Background My wife would never place her name for this spot, but she is perfect for it. Growing up in Minnetonka, she moved north about 25 years ago, teaching Spanish in the Pine River and Brainerd schools. Our home in Edina backs into a wetland connected to Minnehaha Creek. She won't let me use chemicals on my yard, nor on bugs & rodents in my home; instead, she captures them and releases them outdoors. She is a Master Gardener with the Brainerd Arboretum. She stops the car to help turtles, ducks, etc. cross the road. She is a supporter of the Wild & Free Wildlife Rehab Program. She is passionate about our environment.	Why I Want to Serve Deirdre's goal is to retire from teaching next year, which will allow her to consider opportunities close to her heart. Her Mother lives on Halstead Bay on Lake Minnetonka and is also an ardent environmentalist, and they see firsthand water quality issues. We will retain a presence at a cabin in the Brainerd Lakes area and intend to also be active with water quality there.	Issues of Interest Two issues that I can think of: 1. Mitigating the affect of chemicals from lawns and commercial uses on our lakes and streams. 2. As we were affected by the flooding in 2014, to help provide guidance in managing the sometimes conflicting interests in keeping our creek beautiful yet safe.	References Heidi Hoy Devin Helmen
Richard Manser	5024 Edinbrook Lane, Edina	Hydrogeologist/Senior Consultant/Owner at milepost12 LLC	Prior to starting my own consulting practice, I worked for Barr Engineering. Depending on the issue, I may have to excuse myself from projects where Barr Engineering may be involved. Since I am vice chair of the City of Edina Energy and Environment C
Background Hydrogeologist with 30 years of experience as an environmental consultant. Significant experience with water quality, groundwater/surface water interaction, aquifer characterization, industrial site remediation, and brownfield redevelopment. In addition to MCWD, I am on the City of Edina Energy and Environment Commission and have been involved with Seward Redesign (Minneapolis neighborhood redevelopment organization.) I started and manage the Nexdoor website for my neighborhood (Todd Park in Edina). I enjoy bridging the gap between my technical environmental background with other disciplines and the public in general.	Why I Want to Serve I have a great interest in sustainable use of Minnehaha Creek. I strongly believe watershed districts such as MCWD play a vital role in preserving watershed environments and related water quality. There is a balance that needs to be made between agricultural, urban, and 'natural' components to protect the watershed while enriching the quality of life for those that live within the watershed and coexisting with the related economic and urban components. Plus, I live on the Creek.	Issues of Interest - smart development and urban planning along the creek - water quality - storm water runoff - surface/groundwater interaction - general water shed related training and awareness - best practices - help mitigate potential negative impacts within wate	References Doug Connell Dan Fetter Jim Starr
Richard Nyquist	5357 Ewing Ave S, Edina (Arden Park)	Manufacturing Engineer	I am not aware of any conflicts of interest regarding my participation on the MCWD CAC for 2017.
Background 1990 Citizen Water Quality Monitor for North Center Lake, MN Chisago County, MN Member of 2015-2016 Citizen Advisory Committee for the Mpls Park Board Long Range Planning for the Lake Harriet and Lake Calhoun Regional Parks.	Why I Want to Serve I want to engage the Fulton Neighborhood Association, the MCWD, the Mpls Park Board (Brad Bourne is the park board representing my neighborhood) and the City of Mpls to: - address assess the condition of, - plan the rework of, and - begin implementing improvements to: - the stormwater contribution points to Minnehaha Creek and - the trails along Minnehaha Creek for the distance of Minnehaha Creek between Zenith Ave S and Penn Avenue S.	Issues of Interest I am pleased that the MCWD offers education workshops directed toward minimizing the use of salts for de-icing roads, parking lots and sidewalks. I am pleased that thorough scrutiny is given to new development and re-development plans as the plans address reducing the amount of surface water runoff that is directed to Minnehaha Creek.	References I was a member of the 2016 MCWD Citizen Advisory Committee and I would like to continue as a member of the CAC for 2017.
Edward (Bud) Boberg	603 Lake St, 214, Excelsior	Exec Director, Family Friends, Inc	None
Background 50+ year resident and property owner of Lake Minnetonka. Boater on Lake Minnetonka. Marina Director Excelsior Bay Gables.	Why I Want to Serve I have a desire to support and be a part of conservation efforts on Lake Minnetonka.	Issues of Interest Invasive species control. Use of resources on the lake and Minnehaha Creek.	References Gabriel Jabbout, Tonka Bay Carla Gruenhagen, Property Manager, excelsior Bay Gables
Craig Wilson	2665 Cedar Green, Hopkins	Retired Civil (Sales) Engineer	I will not have any conflicts of interested. Thanks you !
Background Graduated from Iowa State University in 1972 with a degree in Civil Engineering. Spent 45 years selling water and wastewater equipment to cities and industry to provide potable drinking water and to treat their wastewater.	Why I Want to Serve I feel my experience with working with City staff to solve their water and wastewater problems would be beneficial to the watershed district.	Issues of Interest Minnesota is running out of potable water and we need to do everything possible to prevent that from happening. 85% of the households in the US pay more for their cable TV/dish services than they pay for water and sewer fees.	References Mr. Richard Corbett Mr. Brian DeWolf

Name Address Occupation and Employer Conflicts of Interest

Cassandra Ordway	1145 County Road 6, Long Lake	Weber's Westdale Nursery	
Background	Why I Want to Serve	Issues of Interest	References
BS in Wildlife and Fisheries Biology. Worked in the environmental and conservation field. Ornithologist. Past board member of the Minnesota Zoo and Audubon Minnesota.	I would like to be a community liaison between MCWD, the Orono Community and the Long Lake Waters Association. I would like to be more informed on the local water issues, help educate others and be part of the long term solution to improve our water quality.	Water quality in Long Lake and the surrounding watershed. Funding for projects, education, invasive species, erosion and sedimentation and overload of nutrients in the water. Need for some achievable short term and long term goals that will inspire more citizen participation.	Lili McMillan - Orono Mayor Marty Schneider - Long Lake City Council Megan Dayton - Long Lake Waters Association
Name	Address	Occupation and Employer	Conflicts of Interest
Neil Weber	2280 Watertown Road, Long Lake	Weber Architects & Planners	None at the present time.
Background	Why I Want to Serve	Issues of Interest	References
<p>EDUCATION:</p> <p>University of Minnesota, School of Architecture, Bachelor of Architecture, 1971</p> <p>ARCHITECTURAL REGISTRATION: State of Minnesota, Architectural and Interior Design</p> <p>State of Wisconsin, Member of the American Institute of Architects, NCARB Certified</p> <p>WORK EXPERIENCE: Weber Architects & Planners (1993 to Present), Schwarz/ Weber architects (1971 - 1993), Boran-Hustad Architects (1969-1971), Chicago White Sox Professional Baseball Club (1968-1970)</p> <p>PERSONAL COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT EXPERIENCES: Museum Of Lake Minnetonka Board Member; Minnehaha Creek Watershed District-CAC Member; Hennepin County Shelter Advisory Committee; Long Lake Economic Development Authority; Long Lake Planning Commission; Long Lake/ Orono Consolidation Committee; City of Long Lake Design Review Board Member; Minnesota Federated Humane Society Board Member Vice President; Central Minnesota Arts Board Member; Luce Line Trail Association Board Member; Wright County Soil and Water Conservation District Elected Supervisor; Wright County Water Management Committee Board Member; Humane Society of Wright County Board Member and Two Term President; Minnesota Wetland Forum Board Member; Metropolitan Council-Land Use Advisory Committee Member; Hennepin County Conservation District-Groundwater Protection Committee Member; Suburban Hennepin Regional Park District Elected Commissioner; Metropolitan Council-Housing and Redevelopment Authority Committee Member; Neighborhood Improvement Council of Minneapolis Board Member; North Hennepin and Inver Hills Community College – Teaching; Community Design Center of Minneapolis Original Board Member; Minneapolis Model Cities Planning Council Board Member; Architect in Schools Mpls. Public Schools Teacher Education of Gifted Children; Minneapolis Public Schools Teacher</p>	I have served on the CAC since 2010 and would like to continue to serve. My experience and background provide a wide range of experiences which fit well with the subjects the MCWD and CAC deal with on a daily basis.	The issues we are dealing with is ever changing and depends on current conditions and information. Obvious issues continuing as subjects for the CAC to be involved are stormwater treatment, invasive species, and review of grant applications.	Sherrie White
Name	Address	Occupation and Employer	Conflicts of Interest
Bradley J. Coulthart	4201 27th Ave S, Minneapolis (Standish)	Retired Secondary Science Teacher, ISD 196	I have no conflicts of interest.
Background	Why I Want to Serve	Issues of Interest	References
I live 2 blocks from Lake Hiawatha and Minnehaha Creek in Minneapolis. I am greatly concerned about the water quality in those bodies as well as all around our area. I have a Bachelors Degree from the University of North Dakota with a biology major I have a Masters of Education Degree from the University of Minnesota in Science Education. I spent 35 years teaching secondary science in Minnesota. I understand the importance of quality education and have worked since retirement to educate others to help them make sound, scientifically based decisions concerning various environmental issues. Since retirement, I have worked with several environmentally based organizations to educate the public in several ways and settings.	Since retirement from teaching at Eastview High School in Apple Valley in 2013, I serve as a volunteer with several local organizations. I serve as a volunteer with the Raptor Center at the U of M in the education department. My responsibilities included much public outreach to educate others on raptors and environmental issues affecting them. I serve as a volunteer with the International Wolf Center, primarily in public outreach and education. My main responsibilities are in public contact and educations. I serve as a volunteer at the Animal Humane Society in Golden Valley. My primary responsibilities there consist of assisting in animal adoption. I have just starting working with ChallengerCenterMN to help get a Challenger Learning Center here in the Twin Cities area. I have a great desire to give back to this wonderful community of which I am a part. I have much to offer in this regard.	Water quality in our lakes, streams, and rivers is a major issue of concern for me. I believe that educating the public in creative and non-threatening ways is a key to success in cleaning up and insuring water quality in our bodies of water. Scientifically sound information must be made easily accessible to the public on how important water quality is to all and what can and must be done to assist in this endeavor. Education is the key!	David Kline, International Wolf Center Nancie Klebba, Raptor Center Kris Lyngaas, Eagan HS and Eastview HS
Name	Address	Occupation and Employer	Conflicts of Interest
Elizabeth Crow	4540 31st Ave S, Minneapolis (Ericsson)	Government Relations Director for The Nature Conservancy Minnesota, South Dakota and North Dakota Chapter	Friends of Lake Nokomis - board member
Background	Why I Want to Serve	Issues of Interest	References

I spent 5 years working in Washington, DC for two different members of Congress and focused mainly on natural resource issues, in particular water and agriculture issues. Since moving to Minnesota in 2015, I began working for The Nature Conservancy and have focused on state policy issues related to natural resources. Over the last few months, I've been working with our Freshwater Program Director to develop a policy paper for our organization relating to protecting Minnesota's waters. Also, in the last year I joined the Friends of Lake Nokomis Board and have been actively learning more about the watershed and specific threats to the health of the lake.	Up to this point in my life, much of my experience both work and personal have focused on more national issues and on a much broader scale. However, as we know, all politics are local and since moving to Minnesota, I've been looking for ways to engage at the local level so I can be an informed and contributing citizen to my community. In addition to joining the board of Friends of Lake Nokomis, I recently joined the Big Brothers Big Sisters program in the Twin Cities and am looking forward to sharing my love of the outdoors and our natural resources with my "little sister". Joining the CAC would provide yet another opportunity to engage at the local level and allow me to expand my knowledge on issues facing Lake Nokomis to issues facing the entire watershed for the Creek. I would also like to learn more about how watershed districts operate in general as I believe they are going to be even more important to the management of our water resources in the future. My husband and I live a half block from the Creek and our daily highlight is walking the trails with our two dogs and seeing neighborhood friends along the way. So, anything I could do to help protect the creek and its watershed is a worthwhile cause in my book.	I think anything we can do to tackle issues related to water quality and the use of natural infrastructure to protect or enhance the water quality of the creek. Also, additional education efforts to ensure those who are part of the watershed, but maybe don't connect with the creek as much because of location, understand how their actions impact the creek and lakes.	Rich Biske Steffanie Musich
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Chandra Henrich	3130 Mondamin St, Minneapolis (Nokomis)	Environmental Specialist with the MPCA	I work for the MN Pollution Control Agency, but do not work on Minnehaha Creek in any professional capacity.

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I have a degree in Environmental Science and Water Resources and work on stream water quality statewide.	I have worked on water quality issues throughout the state, but would like to get more involved locally in my watershed.	I have noticed mowing right to the edge of the creek. I think implementing buffers is important. I also think road salt and education about usage and alternatives is important.	Emily Ball Dan Henrich

Name	Address	Occupation and Employer	Conflicts of Interest
Margaret Hill	4921 Morgan Ave S, Minneapolis (Harriet)	Flight Attendant at Sun Country Airlines	None

Background	Why I Want to Serve	Issues of Interest	References
Many years of volunteer work donating time, commitment and energy to varied organizations i.e.: The Nature Conservancy, the Raptor Center, National Park Service, Friends of the Mississippi, etc.	I am always interested in promoting citizen involvement in our parks. Engaging people in caring for our parks and waters is critical to keeping them as the treasured resource they are.	Clean waters and eradication of invasive species help restore endemic species which bring back the native bugs, insects, birds and fish that call these waters home.	Kathy Graber Marlene Johnson

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Cynthia Novak-Krebs	3720 Longfellow Ave., Minneapolis (Corcoran)	Not currently employed	None known.

Background	Why I Want to Serve	Issues of Interest	References
I have recently moved to Minneapolis, Minnesota from Madison, Wisconsin. In the past three years I worked as a Teaching Assistant for the University of Wisconsin-Madison while I earned a double masters in Water Resources Management and Urban and Regional Planning. Prior to this, I worked primarily in law enforcement and administrative roles. My career change comes as a result of my passion for our natural environment and water and their value to ecology, life, and our communities in general. My past volunteer experience extends from activities when my children were young (coaching sporting events and supporting school events), serving on Board of Directors for Marshall, WI Community Center, working as an Emergency Medical Technician, and working for the Clean Lakes Alliance to help prepare for events. More recently I will begin volunteering for Climate Generation, here in Minneapolis, where I will start by helping prepare for their upcoming ten-year event.	First and foremost, I appreciate the positive impact citizens can have by participating, whether in an advisory capacity, as a citizen scientist, or conducting public outreach. By serving on the MCWD Citizens Advisory Committee, I would have the chance to be involved in my community where I can use my experience and education to study the conditions and needs of the MCWD and surrounding areas. I would like to help make decisions that will keep this valuable resource as healthy and productive as possible. This is a great opportunity to help with outreach and education and stay apprised of current innovations and issues through a shared vision and coordinated community action.	It is important to stay apprised of development both within the MCWD as well as adjacent districts since watersheds are influenced by the ecological process and human activities within and beyond the watershed boundaries. We should also work to manage development in areas that are not yet developed. Eliminating or controlling invasive species in the watershed through education and outreach should always be considered a top issue to address. Through education and outreach, we can protect the groundwater by reducing pollutants. Lastly, while it may not be considered an issue, there is great value in developing and maintaining partnerships to help raise awareness and educate stakeholders on the health of the watershed.	Dr. Kenneth Potter Lucy Thompson Anna Rose Brown

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Richard Polanski	4132 Xerxes Ave S, Minneapolis (Linden Hills)	Inspector for Injection Control(UIC) Prog. USEPA Region 5	

Background	Why I Want to Serve	Issues of Interest	References
I'm in my 9th year of doing inspections(on a part time basis) in MN as part of the UIC Program in MN. I also have a degree in engineering from U of Wis, Madison.	I want to be involved in organizations which have a mission of protecting the environmental.	Issues surrounding the protection and cleaning of water which is part of Minnehaha Creek Water Shed District.	Kurt Rogness Eva Marie Rowe, USEPA Region 5

Name	Address	Occupation and Employer	Conflicts of Interest
David Oltmans	5831 Clinton Ave S, Minneapolis (Diamond Lake)	Retired	I have no financial interests or associations that pose a conflict of interest. I serve on the board of Friends of Diamond Lake.

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<p>I have been involved in the community since moving into the neighborhood in 1977. I served as president of the Diamond Lake Neighborhood Association before it was merged to form the HPDL Neighborhood Association. During that time our organization was involved in efforts to clean up Diamond Lake working with the city of Minneapolis and the Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board. I also served on the Environmental Committee of HPDL. I was on the founding board of Friends of Diamond Lake, served as the first president of the board for four years and continue to serve on the board. During my time as President of the board FoDL we worked closely with the MCWD and Hedberg Landscaping to secure a \$225,000 grant from the Legacy funds to put in over forty BMP storm water demonstration projects on public and private properties. During my tenure as president FoDL worked with MCWD and the MPRB to develop the first lake management plan for any lake in the city of Minneapolis. I served as a representative from the city of Minneapolis on the Minnehaha Creek Visioning Partnership committee in 2004-2005. In 2008 I received from the MCWD, along with Friends of Diamond Lake, a Watershed Heroes Award for Citizen Engagement. Since January of 2013 I have served on the MCWD Citizen Advisory Committee.</p>	<p>I have been involved in the neighborhood for many years centering around environmental and water quality issues. I feel I can bring valuable insight to the committee and represent the issues that arise in the more urbanized portions of the creek corridor. Having served on the CAC over the past three years has increased my knowledge so that I can better work with the neighborhood I live in to improve the quality of the creek corridor as a natural and recreational resource. I look forward to working with the Board of Governors to protect and improve the infrastructure and natural resources of the District. The past two years I have served on the CAC subcommittee to evaluate citizen submitted stormwater management grant applications. In 2016 in collaboration with my neighbor I helped design and did the installation of a raingarden designed to capture 100% of stormwater runoff from his newly constructed home's roof. I had an opportunity this year to give input to the MPRB long range planning process for Diamond Lake Park leading to incorporation of a storm drain holding pond for stormwater draining into Diamond Lake. These opportunities have increased my knowledge of the watershed activities and how they connect with the citizens the district serves. I want to continue to use the knowledge I have gained to 'spread the word' and educate people about the ways they can impact the world we live in.</p>	<p>I believe storm water flash events along the creek corridor will become more common over time, increasing citizen engagement to apply storm water BMP to home improvement projects and encouraging home owners and businesses to install landscaping that retains and infiltrates rainwater can start to address this issue. Encouraging municipalities to educate residents and distribute BMP literature at the time of permit applications could work to change attitudes. More could be done to support neighborhood organizations in 'micro local' projects to decrease storm water runoff. I also believe that maintenance of installed stormwater projects is essential to the ongoing effectiveness of these projects.</p>	<p>Mary Martini Kerrie Blevens John Quincy</p>
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John Grams	2418 Sheridan Hills Curve, Minnetonka	Geologist with Amec Foster Wheeler Environment & Infrastructure	None
<p>Background I was born, raised and have lived in Minnetonka for most of my life. I have had the privilege of enjoying the waters of the Minnehaha Creek Watershed District (MCWD) for recreation including inner tubing and rubber rafting down the creek when I was young, sailing and power boating on Lake Minnetonka, canoeing and kayaking Minnehaha Creek from Greys Bay to the Falls, and Canoeing, walking and biking around the city lakes. I am a professional geologist with 28 years' work experience, mostly in areas involving ground water quality issues, surface water management, and emergency planning. In my current role with the engineering and environmental services firm Amec Foster Wheeler I work to ensure my company's scientists and engineers are providing our clients with top quality consulting services in the areas of natural and cultural resource management, geological hazards identification and management, and many related fields in the natural sciences. I received my B.S. in Geology from the University of Minnesota at Duluth and M.S. in Geology/Geochemistry from the State University of New York at Stony Brook. I have been a member of the American Institute of Professional Geologists for many years and have served on the Education committee with the local Minnesota chapter (www.aipgmn.org). I was on the Board of Directors for the Geological Society of Minnesota (http://www.gsmn.org/), and I actively support the Environmental Initiative (http://environmental-initiative.org/), and the American Refugee Committee (http://arrelief.org/).</p>	<p>Why I Want to Serve I believe that preserving and enhancing natural resources such as the waters of the MCWD are a responsibility we have to future generations. I am married with two kids, and have spent many days with my family on or around Minnehaha Creek and many of the lakes within MCWD. It is important to me that we act as responsible stewards of this resource to ensure future generations have similar opportunities as we currently enjoy. I also believe it is "good business" for communities within the watershed to preserve and protect this important resource. Quality of life, property values, and desirability of our communities are all tied directly to preserving the high quality natural resources that are encompassed by the MCWD. I travel extensively for work, and am often reminded of our good fortune to have this network of lakes and streams within our cities. It is unique, and it adds immeasurably to the quality of life enjoyed by all citizens of the Twin Cities.</p>	<p>Issues of Interest Public outreach, community engagement, and education are the areas I feel the committee has the greatest opportunity for influence. The challenge of protecting a resource that is so closely intertwined with our communities means everyone from city managers, city engineers, and all of us as citizens have a role to play. Educating this broad constituency on the issues and how we all can have an impact seem to be critical to the MCWD mission and an appropriate role for the committee. Issues affecting the watershed that concern me personally include : •Encouraging reduced use of chemicals – fertilizers, pesticides, and deicing chemicals in particular; •Encouraging engineering approaches that do not short circuit the hydrologic cycle. I have been frustrated watching certain communities repave roadways with curb and gutter, even when local residents oppose the approach. •Encouraging landscaping that is water friendly, with greater use of natural grasses and buffer zones. •Encouraging businesses and construction projects in particular to follow best management practices to keep sediment and other contaminants out of waterways. I have been reading through some of the past meeting minutes and it is clear the issues facing MCWD and the Committee are broad. I am open minded, and look forward to contributing a residents perspective from a science based background to the discussion.</p>	<p>References Robert (Bob) Ellingson Paul Goudreault David Lyons</p>

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Michael Happe	16385 Ringer Road, Minnetonka	SVP at SFM Mutual Insurance Co.	None
<p>Background Born and raised in Minneapolis - and spent much of my youth around Lake Harriet and Minnehaha Creek. BA and MBA from the University of St. Thomas. Current resident of Minnetonka (12 years), and 30 years in the insurance industry. Currently work as the Chief Marketing Officer at SFM Mutual - a work comp insurance company (which was started by the State of Minnesota in the 1980's). Formerly on the supervisory committee of City County Federal Credit Union, and I currently serve on the Minnetonka Economic Advisory Commission as well as the board of the Minnesota Homeownership Center.</p>	<p>Why I Want to Serve I am a lifelong outdoor sportsman, and have a strong concern that we leave this world in better shape for future generations - including all of our local natural resources that make Minnesota a unique, wonderful place!</p>	<p>Issues of Interest Clean water and preservation of one of our best natural resources for the future....I have no specific issues or agendas.</p>	<p>References Dick James (neighbor) Julie Wishnack (Community Development Director, City of Minnetonka) Matt Schumacher (friend, hunting partner)</p>

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Brad Lehrman	14805 Minnehaha Pl., Minnetonka	Attorney---Soffer Charbonett Law Group	NONE
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<p>Brad Lehrman is a partner with the Minneapolis-based law firm of Soffer Charbonnet, practicing in the corporate finance and entrepreneurial venture group. He has an extensive background as an attorney, business advisor, private investor, and board member involved primarily in early stage venture capital transactions. Mr. Lehrman has devoted the majority of his professional life to innovation and helping build stronger entrepreneurial and clean tech community in MN and the surrounding region. Mr. Lehrman has dedicated a significant portion of his professional career to community issues. Mr. Lehrman is currently serving on the Board of the Minneapolis Jewish Community Center where he received a 2015 Award for Volunteer of the Year. He also serves as a director on the boards of the non profits Round Earth Media as well as World without Genocide. Mr. Lehrman served on the steering committee of the Minnesota Military Appreciation Fund (2007-2010). He served as a board member of The Minnesota Advocates For Human Rights (1996 - 2000; Executive Committee, 1999 - 2000) and through that organization has received two International Human Rights Recognition Awards: one in 1993 and the other in 1997 as founder of a national human rights educational outreach program. He also served as a board member (1994 - 2002) for The Jewish Family and Children's Service and the Board of Trustees of Adath Synagogue (2005-2010). Mr. Lehrman has been an avid outdoors man and environmentalist his entire life. He has provided philanthropy to these causes for decades to organizations such as The Nature Conservancy, Sierra Club, Friends of the Boundary Waters, Audubon Society, World Wildlife Fund, and the MN Nature Arboretum. Mr. Lehrman graduated from Carleton College (Northfield, Minnesota) with a B.A. in economics and received a J.D. from Mitchell Hamline College of Law (St. Paul, Minnesota).</p>	<p>The creek and its watershed are part of the fabric of my life. I live two blocks from the creek. My street name is Minnehaha Place. I walk the my dog everyday in the forest next to the creek. I swim the creek in the summer. I snowshoe the creek in the winter. I love the ambience and restorative power of the creek. So I do my small part to heal the creek—I clean garbage every day around the creek, and I bring neighbors on the creek in my canoe to gain an appreciation of its unique beauty. Now, I want to step up and provide my passion and talents to preserving and protecting the watershed.</p>	<p>I would like to see more attention to the following: * Water Quality—how do we communicate the health of the watershed to our neighbors * Clean Up—how do we galvanize volunteer clean up beyond just once a year, but everyday. * Building Community—how do we discuss the competing needs of the watershed with those who live there</p>	<p>Howie Milstein Tamar Fenton Dr Ed Ratner</p>
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<p>Name Marc E. Rosenberg</p>	<p>Address 3429 Oakton Drive, Minnetonka</p>	<p>Occupation and Employer Insurance Agent; Advance Insurance Agency</p>	<p>Conflicts of Interest It has been an honor to serve on the CAC for the past five years and I hope that scheduling conflicts with work deadlines, travel and family obligations are less intense in the coming year. Thank you for your consideration.</p>
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<p>Background Risk management, loss prevention and public health have been areas of interest throughout my adult life and go hand in hand with the practice of being a property-casualty insurance agent. I have a Liberal Arts bachelor's degree from the University of Minnesota, where I graduated with honors in 1971. I have a strong interest in environmental issues with a focus on utilizing alternatives to pesticides.</p>	<p>Why I Want to Serve Growing up, I enjoyed visiting Minnehaha Falls which was close to my neighborhood in Highland Park, near the Ford Bridge. I also enjoyed swimming in Lake Hiawatha and now live two blocks from Minnehaha creek on the Eastern border of Minnetonka. The natural beauty of the Creek and its proximity have had a beneficial influence on me and my family.</p>	<p>Issues of Interest Water quality is of critical importance to public health. The Minnehaha Creek watershed is the source of drinking water for many Minneapolis residents and its lakes afford recreational and fishing opportunities to many children and families. The protection of these resources is vital to our neighborhoods and communities.</p>	<p>References Terry Gips Ronald Zamansky, attorney Molly Papetti</p>
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<p>Name Frank J Meuschke</p>	<p>Address 705 North Branch Rd Minnetrista</p>	<p>Occupation and Employer self-employed artist</p>	<p>Conflicts of Interest</p>
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<p>Background -worked directly with architecture and city planning students and professors for 10 years in a college of architecture -volunteered with the NY-NJ trail conference on urban trail/park restorations and maintenance -volunteered in Prospect Park clean and</p>	<p>Why I Want to Serve -I live in the watershed, surrounded by wetlands that feed the watershed lakes and creek -I have key preservation and management wetlands within our lot boundary -I am interested in landscape preservation, native plant ecology, lakeshore restorations, w</p>	<p>Issues of Interest -climate change derived heavy rainfall events -lakeshore restorations -woodland restoration/preservation (erosion) -farm and lawn runoff -education and outreach</p>	<p>References Tom McDowell, Associate Superintendent Three Rivers Park District Linda A. Cook, Superintendent, Weir Farm National Historic Site Vinson Valega</p>
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<p>Name Gary L. Vars</p>	<p>Address 7055 County Road 26, Minnetrista</p>	<p>Occupation and Employer Retired, formerly COO and Board Chair @ Insignia Systems, Inc.</p>	<p>Conflicts of Interest None.</p>
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<p>Background City of Minnetrista- Member Parks Commission Jan. 2015-present; Member Comprehensive Plan Steering Committee Jan.2016-present; Member Facilities Task Force 2006-2009. Minnetonka Center for the Arts- Board Member 9 years, Vice Chair 3 years. Lafayette Club-Board Member 7 years, President 2011-2012, Member and Chair of various committees including Golf and Grounds, Pool and Fitness, Membership, Finance and Long Range Planning. Led the development of the first long term comprehensive plan in the club's history. St. Paul YMCA Camp Widiwagan-three term board member.</p>	<p>Why I Want to Serve I am very concerned about the future of our precious water resources. I believe that quality surface water is critical to our quality of life and that it has been and is currently stressed. I have had several boats on Lake Minnetonka over a twenty year period and currently live on a six acre pond within the watershed district. I have had many years of experience with the ups and downs of the fresh water in this community and I am interested in doing whatever I can to assure that the future of quality water is assured.</p>	<p>Issues of Interest Runoff, invasive species(both plant and animal),contamination and enforcement of laws and regulations related to the watershed district.</p>	<p>References Nickolas Olson-Associate Planner City of Minnetrista Roxanne Heaton-Executive Director Minnetonka Center for the Arts Scott Bremer-General Manager Lafayette Club</p>
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<p>Name William C. (Bill) Bushnell</p>	<p>Address 940 Maplecrest Dr., Minnetrista</p>	<p>Occupation and Employer Retired</p>	<p>Conflicts of Interest None.</p>
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<p>- Current member of the CAC. - Served on the committee that rewrote the Watershed District Rules. - Former district chairman for Boy Scouts and Cub Scouts. (Silver Beaver & District Award of Merit) - Past board president of a non-profit organization pr</p>	<p>As a resident of this watershed for most of my life, I have a strong concern for the quality and conservation of our water resources. Through my past involvement in various organizations and private life, I have always tried to be a worthy steward of the environment, particularly the lakes and streams we are fortunate to have in our area. I feel that education and improving public understanding of water issues are critical factors. I have seen well-intentioned individuals, and even city groups, unknowingly do things that are deleterious to water quality and conservation. This watershed district also has done an excellent job of identifying and developing projects that have a lasting and growing effect on water resources. I appreciate the opportunity to play a small part in that.</p>	<p>Naturally, water quality and conservation, plus environmental balance. Education, public awareness and involvement. Visibility for the District's success stories to promote public interest, involvement and support. Continue to build partnerships with public and private groups to develop well-designed projects that address specific problems and opportunities.</p>	<p>Lisa Whalen Bill Bartel Dave Lock</p>
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Robyn Barziza Chargo	1609 Bluebird Lane, Mound	Director of Membership Services, Minneapolis Area Association of REALTORS	

Background	Why I Want to Serve	Issues of Interest	References
No background in civic or volunteer organizations. I have been taking secchi readings on our bay (Jennings) for the past few years since we moved to the lake.	I live on Lake Minnetonka and would like to see major improvements in the water quality of the lake. From taking the secchi readings, I have noticed the quality of the water changes drastically from Spring to Fall. Our bay, in particular, is very bad and is in desperate need of improvement. We have lived on the bay for 5 years and have not seen any attempts to improve the quality.	I would like to participate in the decisions and projects that are implemented regarding the water quality. To be a part of something that is working toward the greater good of the creek, the lake and it's inhabitants.	Linda Stoeckicht Tamara Phillips

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Richard Wigner	2332 Driftwood Lane, Mound	Retired	none
Background	Why I Want to Serve	Issues of Interest	References
Lake Minnetonka resident for 62, years hunting and fishing advocate.	To protect and promote safety on our lakes and streams.	Water purity and preservation of our resources	Kelly Johnson Bobby Carlson Fred Price

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Brian Girard	680 N Arm Dr., Orono	Realtor	none
Background	Why I Want to Serve	Issues of Interest	References
Member of CAC these past two years and would like to continue to work with the CAC to help protect our water resources.	Enjoy working on community projects and helping to maintain our environment for future generations	Water quality, use of resources across all stakeholders, stopping the spread of AIS	Peter Rechelbacher Gabriel Jabbour

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Linda Jahnke	3924 Yosemite Ave S, St Louis Park	Program Manager, Boston Scientific	None
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As a program manager I lead product development teams from concept to commercialization of novel medical devices. Projects range from 10-50 engineers and budgets of \$1-30m. In 2016 I received the "Winning Spirit" award from our CEO for excellent execution of a emergency project. I have volunteered as Master Gardener in Hennepin Co for 2 years (and 6 yrs in Dakota Co before that). In my capacity as MG, I have focused on teaching residents about Raingardens and Community gardens. I am planning to start a Masters degree program in Horticulture in Fall 2017 with a focus in environmental science/water quality.	As a resident of St Louis Park I enjoy the beauty of the creek on walks and bike rides and want to work to see that policies are in place to enable that beauty to continue. As a MG, I have volunteered with MetroBlooms to educate the public on the value of raingardens in protecting the watershed from direct runoff. I installed a raingarden in my own yard a few years ago as a means to do my part in preventing undo runoff to sewer. It's troubling to me to see some of the practices that my fellow SLP residents follow such as raking leaves into the gutter, allowing sprinklers to run needlessly and extending their lawns directly to the edge of the creek. I envision continuing and bolstering the CAC's efforts around education and incentives to influence positive environmental stewardship on the part of all watershed residents. I am a committed volunteer and passionate about maintaining/improving our wonderful waterways.	Education, education, education - truly believe residents/businesses are not aware of the impact of their practices on the watershed - so many ways this can happen - presentations, fairs, tours, boulevard competitions Incentives - grants and other inducements to drive and influence behavior Policy - municipalities along the watershed joining in and supporting the efforts of the MCWD	Terry Straub, UofM Extension Master Gardener Program Art Clyde, Union Congregational Church Music Director Afton Martens, Community Liaison, Joint Community Police Partnership, St Louis Park Police

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Gerald J. Ciardelli	3730 Glenhurst Ave. St. Louis Park	Photographer Custom Image and Cartography, Inc. DBA Erdahl Aerial Photography	Occasionally provide comp aerial images to staff of projects. When asked to photo large projects we do so at a wholesale cost level. I see no conflict given our mutual understanding and transparency

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Thirty five years as corporate staffer for three Fortune 500 companies, a wide range of corporate services including precious metal security, risk management relocation service, asst. to treasurer and various one time projects.	I would like to remain on the CAC and continue to provide continuity and direction and institutional knowledge to new members my .	Continue to extend to the community my knowledge of water resources and related ecology issues	We have a current list of projects

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Colin Cox	3800 Woodland Drive, St Louis Park	Senior Communications Specialist, Hennepin County Public Works	I know of no current financial interests or associations that may present a conflict.

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I am a communications and marketing professional and have lived within the District for nearly a decade. I have helped numerous organizations, including the Minnehaha Creek Watershed District, strengthen their presence and community outreach efforts. I also currently lead the South Oak Hill neighborhood organization in St. Louis Park. I served as part of the Southwest LRT Louisiana Station Area Planning and Designs Guidelines advisory committee. And, most recently I was a member of a facilities improvement committee for St. Louis Park public schools.	During the two years I have been a member of the CAC, my understanding about the MCWD has grown extensively. But, I have also learned that it is largely because of other smart people (staff and volunteers), that the real work gets done. I continue to be excited about the long lasting impacts both projects will have on the water quality and our natural resources in the area. And, I continue to appreciate what the MCWD has done to reinvigorate the area and provide an important model for thoughtful development nearby and throughout the District. But, I know there is more work to be done. And, it will be imperative that the organization both continues to operate well and communicate well about its work. I want to help contribute to both efforts.	Last year, I mentioned that the CAC should consider how to: Continue to balance the interests of all stakeholders, including those who appreciate the waterbodies for recreation, beauty and natural habitat; Better raise awareness within communities and better connect communities along all parts of the District with the Creek, its waterbodies and the MCWD's projects; And, continue to demonstrate how the work of the MCWD cannot be done alone – it takes the contributions of all within the District. I continue to be interested in all of these items. But, I think the second item is one that I may be best suited to help the organization with -- from experience and interest level. I am eager to help the CAC put more efforts into reaching out to diverse audiences. Demographics continue to change. Making more people aware of the MCWD and growing their understanding of the organization will be a challenge over time. And, yet it is imperative if the organization is to continue to operate at a level worthy of community support. Putting some efforts into things now may help. These are things like working with the MCWD to consider demographics when awarding grants. It might also mean me working hard to build relationships within my own community -- relationships with folks less like me -- so as to start making better connections to the MCWD. I don't have many other answers yet. I think this will be a long process. But, I am willing to help the MCWD in this area.	Tom Horner Matt Flory Brian Shekleton
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Jacqueline Di Giacomo	25 Hillcrest Dr., Tonka Bay	Engineer turned Stay-at-home-mom/NA	
Background	Why I Want to Serve	Issues of Interest	References
During my 11 year professional career I worked as a Project Officer for the Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission whose mission was in part to "protect health, safety, security and the environment". I am a Chemical Engineer with a specialization in Nuclear Engineering; environmental protection was always my main focus. Upon moving to the US, I became a stay-at-home mother and I kept my passion for the environment strong by teaching my own children. I became a certified Master Water Steward in 2013 and have been learning and volunteering ever since our first class.your background. At the certification ceremony of the 2014 Stewards, I was recognized as one of the top 3 Stewards for my service and education hours. I have also served on the CAC for the past two years.	My reasons to serve stem for my passion for the outdoors and our earth. The past two years on the CAC has been insightful and I would like to continue to serve on the committee. Upon our move to our new home in Minnesota in 2011, my family became involved in our community in various volunteer capacities. When the opportunity arose to become a Master Water Steward, I realized I could not only serve my community I could continue to learn about a topic that I felt strongly about. An opportunity to continue to serve on the CAC would not only allow me to continue to contribute but also continue my education in storm water management and the work of the MCWD; it would also help fulfill my goal to serve my community as an ambassador for clean water.	Issues I feel the committee should be addressing are environmental health and safety, community outreach and education. I believe that there are residents in the MCWD that care about clean water; that have issues pertinent to them but need to learn about resources out here to achieve their goals. I also believe we should be looking forward at green infrastructure and at ways to promote storm water management in future development that occurs in our watershed.	Peggy Knapp, Freshwater Society Deirdre Coleman, Freshwater Society

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Peter Rechelbacher	1242 Hunter Drive Wayzata	PMR Enterprises LLC	
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Aveda Corporation 1981 - 1997 Co- owner Give to the Earth Foundation 1992 – 1996 Board member Horst Education and Associates LLC 1981- Present General Partner Rechelbacher Properties LLC 1992 - Present General Partner Mooney Lake Association President 2009 to 2015 City of Medina volunteer representative to MCWD 2011 – 2015 Coalition Minnehaha Creek Waters (CMCW) Founding Member 2012 to 2015 CAC member 2011 – 2016 Vice Chair (2014 - 2016) PMR Enterprises 2013 - Present Owner PMR Foundation 2015 - Present Founder	I would like to continue working to improve water quality throughout the watershed district. Storm water runoff and AIS are the two major issues facing our water bodies today. I bring hands on experience on implementing and advocating for improved water quality for lakes and wetland restoration	Support the district and the Board by providing recommendation's and feedback on programs, Cost share, budget, and committee participation. Provide feedback from our communities with issues and help with volunteer activities and supporting the mission of the district.	Liz Weir Steve McComas Clay Hoess

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Sliv Carlson	2835 West Road, Woodland	Retired educator, retiring Woodland City Councilor	None that I know of.
Background	Why I Want to Serve	Issues of Interest	References
Woodland City Council 8 years (2008-2016); Education Specialist TSP Architects and Engineers (2000-2005); Minnesota Department of Education (1991-1999); Wayzata School Board (1986-1992); Memorial Blood Center (1975-1990); Operating Room Head Nurse,Northwestern Hospital (1965-1968). I have a science background as a (retired) Registered Nurse.	I have been on the CAC for 5 or 6 years and would like to be reappointed for 2017. It has been a wonderful learning experience for me and for the Woodland City Council. I enjoy talking about water issues & the environment to the city council, friends and neighbors because of what I am learning. My involvement has been particularly important for the Woodland City Council because we want to maintain the good working relationship we have enjoyed with the MCWD. And Mayor Doak asked me to consider asking for reappointment again, which I am doing happily.	It is really important to me personally as well as to our city that we are well informed about best practices to preserve our community's major asset in terms of environmental protection as well as recreation and the fact is that it is a valuable amenity for our residents. I think the major issues continue to be the quality of the water in the MCWD and the policies as well as best practices, based on solid science, that are put into place. Ground water is becoming a very important part of the equation.	Mayor James Doak, City of Woodland Ann Schluter, former Commissioner of Minnesota Planning, former Assistant Commissioner Minnesota Department of Education Mike Jilek, former Woodland City Councilor