

## MEMORANDUM

**To:** MCWD Board of Managers  
**From:** Darren Lochner, Education Program Manager  
**Date:** December 7, 2015  
**Re:** MCWD Citizen Advisory Committee appointments

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### **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 2016.

### **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 2016. Fourteen of the fifteen individuals who currently serve on the CAC have indicated an interest in returning in that role. In addition, eight new individuals have submitted applications to serve on the CAC for a total of 22 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. In 2014 staff member Darren Lochner also reviewed the Citizen Advisory Committees from six of the metro area watershed districts. A summary document is included with information on CAC size, member representation, length of terms and roles and responsibilities.

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 Board appointments are finalized MCWD staff will communicate 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:**

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## 2016 CAC Applicants

Name	Address	Phone	Email	Occupation	Address	Conflicts of Interest
Bushnell, Bill	940 Maplecrest Drive, Minnetrista, 55364	952-472-4447	<a href="mailto:wcbushnell@frontiernet.net">wcbushnell@frontiernet.net</a>	Retired; former advertising creative director & consultant	N/A	None
<b>Background</b>		<b>Why I Want to Serve</b>		<b>Issues of Interest</b>		<b>References</b>
Member of CAC for over 10 years. Served on the committee that rewrote the Watershed District Rules. Former district chairman for Boy Scouts and Cub Scouts. Past board president of a non-profit organization providing mental health services in metro-area counties. Board member of a youth theater company (Helped build the Hopkins Center for the Arts). Raised funds and organized volunteer labor and services to build a playground at one of Wayzata's elementary school. Coordinated three Aquatennial events for several years. Retired Navy Captain.		As a resident of the 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 stewards 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.		Water quality and conservation. But to be viable, that requires public awareness, education and involvement. The District has a number of success stories in these areas. We need to continue that focus - along with well-designed projects that address specific problems and opportunities.		Lisa Whalen (605 County Rd 110 N, Mound, 952-472-7276) Bill Bartel (2106 Lake Road, Wayzata, 952-471-8009) Dave Lock (6885 D'Chene, Minnetrista, 763-479-2915)
<b>Name</b>	<b>Address</b>	<b>Phone</b>	<b>Email</b>	<b>Occupation</b>	<b>Address</b>	<b>Conflicts of Interest</b>
Carlson, Sliv	2835 West Road, Woodland, 55391	952-475-0586; 612-810-8835	<a href="mailto:slivcarlson@usinternet.com">slivcarlson@usinternet.com</a>	Retired (Education Specialist, Director of Govt Relations, MN Dept of Ed)	N/A	None
<b>Background</b>		<b>Why I Want to Serve</b>		<b>Issues of Interest</b>		<b>References</b>
7 years on Woodland City Council (in second 4 year term). Education specialist/marketing for TSP Architects and Engineers (Minnetonka location). Graduation standards specialist at the MN Department of Children Families and Learning. Director of government relations at the MN Department of Children Families and Learning. Wayzata School Board 6 years (2 terms). Registered Nurse (Science background).		The City of Woodland values the advice and services we have received from the MCWD over the years and wishes to maintain and continue our relationship. I bring a report from the CAC to our city council on a regular basis and we are all learning how to be better stewards of our waterways because of that information).		The residents of Woodland place a high value on enjoying Lake Minnetonka and the surrounding wetlands, so we are very interested in maintaining a high level of healthy water quality. Because we are a small city with limited staff, we rely on MCWD staff for technical advice and want to maintain that good relationship. I think the CAC and MCWD are doing pretty well at addressing issues as they arise. Personally I have concerns about agricultural runoff and impact on MCWD area waterways and hope a reasonable solution can be found and implemented some day.		Mayor Jim Doak (2845 Woolsey Lane, Woodland, MN 55391, 952-475-1308)
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Ciardelli, Gerald	3730 Glenhurst Ave, St. Louis Park, 55416	952-920-2669; 952-270-1219	<a href="mailto:erdahl@spacestar.net">erdahl@spacestar.net</a>	Self employed	3440 Belt Line Blvd, Suite 201	From time to time, provide complimentary aerial photographic for unlimited use. Certain jobs requested by the MCWD staff for documentation, etc, are billed to the MCWD at wholesale pricing levels.
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Employed in corporate service all my career. Most recently, from 1977-1998 worked as assistant treasurer, risk manager, and security. In 'early retirement', became self-employed as commercial aerial photographer. Hold a CPCU designation, attended the University of Minnesota. Volunteered in Mexico highlands, Katrina, Habitat for Humanity, Nature Valley Grand Prix, ESL for Somali Immigrants. On MCWD CAC for 5 years.		Preserve and protect water resources for future generations.		Expanded public outreach.		No change - see existing file.
<b>Name</b>	<b>Address</b>	<b>Phone</b>	<b>Email</b>	<b>Occupation</b>	<b>Address</b>	<b>Conflicts of Interest</b>
Coonan M.D., Kevin	5048 Morgan Ave S, Minneapolis	612-758-0997	<a href="mailto:kevin.coonan@gmail.com">kevin.coonan@gmail.com</a>	Medical informaticist/emergency physician		None
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During 11 year professional career, 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-mom and 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. At the certification ceremony of the 2014 stewards, I was recognized as one of the top 3 stewards for my service and education hours.		My reasons to serve stem from my passion for the outdoors and our earth. This past year on the CAC has been insightful and I would like to continue to serve on the committee. I entered the nuclear industry after my grade 12 physics teacher sparked my interest in the environment impact of industries in particular hazardous waste such as that from the nuclear industry. At that time there were no formal environmental programs at my alma mater U of Toronto, but I took as many environmental courses as I was offered in the engineering department. 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 MWS, I realized I could not only serve my community, I could continue to learn about a topic that I felt strongly about. I feel that an opportunity to continue to serve on the CAC would help me learn more about stormwater management and the work of the MCWD and fulfill my desire to serve my community as an ambassador for clean water.		Environmental health and safety, community outreach, and education. I truly 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.		Peggy Knapp & Dierdre Coleman (Freshwater Society, 2424 Territorial Rd, Suite B, St. Paul, MN 55114, 651-313-5800)	
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Dovolis, Chris	PO Box 75, Minnetonka Beach	952-831-1311	dovolis@cs.umn.edu	University of Minnesota	Minneapolis, 55455	None	
<b>Background</b>		<b>Why I Want to Serve</b>		<b>Issues of Interest</b>		<b>References</b>	
Lake Minnetonka resident for many years. Faculty in the Department of Computer Science and Engineering. Recreational user of Lake Minnetonka. Interest in clean water and protection of our natural resources. I have served on the CAC for many years and I would like to continue.		Renewal - see previous application		Invasive species, maintaining and improving the quality of our lakes, streams		Renewal - see previous application	
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Girard, Brian	3979 Hillcrest Rd, Deephaven, 55391	952-745-0811; 612-730-8213	brian.girard@results.net	Realtor, self-employed	N/A	None	
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I have an interest in community service. I am a current member of the CAC and have enjoyed the year's experiences working within the group. I have served as treasurer with the Osgoode Chamber of Commerce in Ottawa Ontario. For a period of 6 years supported two competitive boys soccer teams per year in the role as assistant coach.		Water is the most important resource we have on this planet. If we do not work at protecting it and the systems which distribute, filter and provide habitat for a host of other resources we mostly take for granted our society will fail. I want to help balance the use of this resource for all. I am an avid boater, scuba diver, and have seen firsthand the effects of AIS. I hope I can play a small part in reducing the spread and damage they represent.		The MCWD needs to better educate the population, rate payers, and elected officials of the need, work and stewardship the MCWD does when it comes to protecting the vital resource we all depend on. In addition the MCWD has to further educate all stakeholders the accomplishments it has achieved and the benefits it provides the community.		Gabriel Jabbour (985 Tonkawa Rd, Orono MN 55356, 612-599-2838) Pat Naker (333 Washington Ave N, Suite 329, Minneapolis MN 55401, 612-839-1080) Bryan Iwamoto (358 Humbolt Ave S, Minneapolis MN 55408, 612-562-5065)	
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Heywood, Donald	3013 Bluffs Drive, Mound	612-300-5697	d.heywood@mchsi.com	Retired	N/A	None	
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40 year career in direct clinical psychotherapy, with the last 20 years administrating psychiatric settings at city, county, state, and national levels in a policy making role or oversight of policy regarding mental health and addiction issues.		Long time interest in the overall decline in water quality in the world. I cannot affect the world situation, however, keeping my interest to my local area, hopefully I can add one piece of the overall picture.		Being very new to the watershed organizations, I do not have specific targets at this time, other than the best approaches to maintaining the highest water quality level possible.			
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Hill, Casper	5908 Morgan Ave S, Minneapolis	612-432-5749; 612-673-2342	casper@visi.com	Public Relations, City of Minneapolis	350 S 5th St, Room 301M, Minneapolis, 55415	Employed by the City of Minneapolis	
<b>Background</b>		<b>Why I Want to Serve</b>		<b>Issues of Interest</b>		<b>References</b>	
City of Minneapolis communications department 2005-present. Candidate for MPRB 2013. President/board member, Club Run Minneapolis, 2012, 2013, 2015.		I want to improve the water quality in our lakes, streams and the Mississippi River. Working for the City of Minneapolis, I've helped educate residents about the importance of creating raingardens, keeping leaves out of the street, reducing salt use in the winter, cutting stormwater runoff from property and other ways to keep pollutants out of our surface waters. Being part of the CAC would help me educate a much larger community about the importance of surface water quality. I would also like to be involved in the development of policies aimed at protecting the watershed from pollutants and invasive species.		Preventing pollutants from getting into the watershed, including from litter and stormwater runoff. Supporting efforts to promote rain gardens that reduce the water volume in storm sewers. Helping prevent the spread of invasive species into our lakes, creeks, and the Mississippi River.		Christina Palmisano (4013 Ewing Ave S, Minneapolis MN 55418, 651-216-4456) Anthony Kelly (730 N 4th St, #807, Minneapolis MN 55401, 612-963-8343) Matthew Laible (1150 Hennepin Ave, #2507, Minneapolis MN 55403, 612-673-2786)	
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Kromer, Kelly	1005 Heritage Lane, Wayzata	952-300-0107; 763-559-3779	kped88@gmail.com	Physician, Pediatric Anesthesia PA	14700 28th Ave N, Suite 20, Plymouth, 55447	None	
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BA Biology, University of Minnesota, 1995. Twin Cities physician. Multiple medical missions - domestic/international.		I grew up in the Lake Minnetonka area. I have a love of the lake and of nature in general. I am a conservationist at heart. I would like to learn more about our local natural resources and I would like to promote the conscientious stewardship of the MCWD.		Conservation/preservation of our natural resources/environment. Ethical/aesthetic development/non-development of our MCWD.		Erik Stene (14700 28th Ave N, Suite 20, 55447, 952-937-9160) Kevin Kokesh (15250 Wayzata Blvd, Suite 105, 55391, 952-201-2632) Stephen Byrnes (952-212-4554)	
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Lofgren, Joseph	5301 14th Ave S, Minneapolis	612-849-9433	jlofgren@cahillswift.com	Cahill Swift LLC	240 Commercial St, Boston, MA 02109	None	
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Spent 3 years on MCWD CAC. I have served for over one year on the Carleton College Alumni Council, and am a founding partner of the transportation safety consulting firm Cahill Swift, LLC. I also founded a book club in 2001 and have shepherded it to become a multi-city organization with approximately 30 members.				In addition to perennial issues like water quality and invasive species, I feel that understanding the effects of climate change on the watershed is of utmost importance. I also feel that the wider public has an increasing facility with data and data science, and the Committee plays an important role in interfacing with the District's staff and management with regard to how these data are developed, employed, and disseminated.		Robert Shidla (4804 Bloomington Ave, Minneapolis, MN 55417, 612-423-0688) Chris Schommer (4709 Oakland Ave, Minneapolis, MN 55417, 612-968-9284) George Gilpatrick (240 Commercial St, Boston, MA 02109, 617-314-9208)	
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Lutz, Joseph	3719 Cardinal Rd, Minnetonka, 55345	612-978-1113	jlut1948@aol.com	Retired; Plant genetic scientist	General Mills, Golden Vally	None	
<b>Background</b>		<b>Why I Want to Serve</b>		<b>Issues of Interest</b>		<b>References</b>	
By profession I am a scientist. I recently retired from General Mills after 25 years as a research scientist working in crop genetics. I have a BA majoring in Fisheries and two Master degrees in the plant sciences. I have developed strong analytical skills. By passion, I am a naturalist. I have completed two Minnesota Master Naturalist trainings, a Xerces Society Bumble Bee class, and a Citizen Monitoring Biotic Index for Streams and Rivers training. I have been an avid bird watcher and botanist for most of my adult life.		I am concerned about maintaining and enhancing the Minnehaha Creek watershed as a quality natural resource for the public to experience. I live within a half mile of the creek and walk either in Jidana or Big Willow Park on an almost daily basis. The wetlands adjacent to the creek are a wonderland of biological diversity, a healthy natural resource, with a good functioning natural ecosystem. There are other like examples all along the creek. I would like to see these maintained and enhanced wherever possible.		A balance of healthy functioning natural ecosystems and green space in the face of sustainable development and redevelopment.		Karen Jensen (Met Council, 390 N Robert Street, St. Paul, MN 55101, 651-602-1401) Eric Jackson (General Mills Biosciences, 208-397-8569)	
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Manser, Richard	5024 Edinbrook Lane, Edina, 55436	415-519-0195	richardmanser@icloud.com	Hydrogeologist at Milepost12	5024 Edinbrook Lane, Edina, 55436	Used to work for Barr Engineering before starting my own consulting practice. Depending on the issue, I may have to excuse myself from projects where Barr Engineering may be involved. I will alert MCWD of any issues that may be in conflict with my involvement on the City of Edina Energy and Environment Commission.	
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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 (Mpls neighborhood redevelopment organization). I started the Nextdoor Todd Park community online group. Living on the banks of Minnehaha Creek provides a great setting for raising a family and enjoying all the creek has to offer.		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. Based on my background, I feel that I'm in a great position to provide credible input into addressing many of the issues facing the district. I also enjoy being an ambassador of the creek through my work with the City of Edina and my neighborhood.		Water quality, surface/groundwater interaction, stormwater runoff, general watershed related training and awareness, best practices, help mitigate potential negative impacts within watershed due to new development, invasive species		Doug Connell (5027 Fairmount Ave, St. Paul, MN 55105, 612-414-6732) Dan Fetter (12560 Fescue Court, Eden Prairie, MN 55347, 612-581-4864) Jim Starr (5025 Edinbrook Lane, Edina, MN, 612-247-5898)	
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McGruder, Valerie	10206 Belmont Rd, Minnetonka, 55305	952-546-3306; 952-412-4784	val.mcgruder@icloud.com	Retired; Technology support specialist	Hopkins School District; Alice Smith Elementary	None	
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I was the wellness coordinator for staff and students at Alice Smith Elementary for 5 years. I worked with students to promote healthy eating and exercise and procured a national "healthy schools" award for Alice Smith. I also designed activities for staff related to healthy foods and exercise. Some of the activities included our "outdoor classroom". This was a healthy connection with nature for students and staff. I applied to the U of M Master Gardener program upon retirement and completed the program in 2014. I received the "outstanding intern" award upon graduation for contributing 268+ hours of service in many areas. I also completed the Minnesota Master Naturalist program "Big Woods, Big Rivers" in May of 2015. I did my capstone project in Minnetonka's headwaters park. I worked with habitat restoration specialist Janet Van Sloun and led a group to plant many native flowers, shrubs, and trees in the park.	In my capstone project, I noted that the shoreline in "headwaters" park was improved by planting native grasses which helped filter and create a buffer zone to help protect the lake from the harmful effects of pollutants. I believe that if more residents understood the problem, they would want to join the effort and do what they could to help our water quality for everyone.	Shoreline restoration, fertilizing lawns without regard to the effect it has on the lake	Pat Stacken (402 13th Ave N, Hopkins MN, 952-935-6670) Bergit Carlson (1412 Archwood Rd, Minnetonka MN 55305, 952-544-2265) Janet Van Sloun (City of Minnetonka)
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Mohn, Steve	9812 Lee Drive, Eden Prairie, 55347	612-280-9551	steve.mohn@gmail.com	Self employed	PO Box 385573, Minneapolis, 55438-5573	Owner of land that will most likely be subdivided someday.
<b>Background</b>		<b>Why I Want to Serve</b>		<b>Issues of Interest</b>		<b>References</b>
MCWD Rules committee (2007-2008), MCWD CAC (since 2009), Board of Directors for Area Partnership Pierson Lake Enhancement (since 2009)		We have owned property on Pierson Lake since 1999. I love the lake and am concerned with preserving the health of the lake and surrounding wetlands as well as the condition of the entire watershed environment. Laketown Township is a rural community that is slowly becoming a suburb. Serving on the CAC provides an avenue to learn about opportunities to be a good steward of the environment and help me protect Pierson Lake and the surrounding environment.		Agricultural runoff, invasive species prevention, and control and education of people on ways they can protect our water resources.		John Pierson (9980 County Road 43, Chaska, MN 55318, 612-803-9855) Kurt Zupke (6925 Abbywood Lane, Chaska, MN 55318, 612-750-4758)

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Nyquist, Richard	5357 Ewing Avenue S, Minneapolis	612-770-6476	rnyquist@usewireless.com	Mechanical Engineer	N/A	Intends to join Meadowbrook Men's Golf Club when course resumes.
<b>Background</b>		<b>Why I Want to Serve</b>		<b>Issues of Interest</b>		<b>References</b>
1997-2002 Minnesota State Lake Water Quality Monitor - North Center Lake, Chisago Co; 2004 Water monitoring three-person team member for North Center Lake leading to the listing of this lake on the MN State Lake Impaired Water List; 2001 attended Chisago Co Aquatic Plant Identification class led by Mary Blickendorf on Rush Lake; 2008 served as secretary of North Center Lake Association have been long-time member of this organization; 2015 MPRB Lake Harriet/Lake Calhoun Long Range Planning CAC		I am a citizen interested in contributing to improving water quality issues. I have been involved in Chisago County previously because our family's cabin is located on North Center Lake. I am changing my area of involvement as our family cabin will be sold in the near future and I live in southwest Minneapolis near Minnehaha Creek. I think that being involved in local water quality improvement is the best way to understand the issues affecting water quality and to determine and monitor improvement efforts.		Retention of water in the Minnehaha Creek watershed to mitigate the sever spikes in creek flow rates and flood levels; Locally, for me, the surface water spillways to Minnehaha Creek in SW Minneapolis have deteriorated and should be identified for updating to current best practice design and implementation; Continued education for the public and municipalities in Minnehaha Creek watershed regarding the best practices for use of chlorides to reduce ice during the winter months		Michael Shroeder (MPRB, 2117 W River Rd, Minneapolis, MN 55411, 612-230-6438) Craig Mell (Chisago SWCD, 38814 3rd Ave, North Branch, MN 55056, 651-674-2333) Deborah Bartels (MPRB, 2117 W River Rd, Minneapolis, MN 55411, 612-230-6438)

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Oltmans, David	5831 Clinton Ave S, Minneapolis	612-205-3289	dave.oltmans@gmail.com	Dentist	5831 Clinton Ave S, Minneapolis, 55419	On board of Friends of Diamond Lake
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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 MPRB. 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 term as president of the board FoDL we worked closely with MCWD and Hedberg Landscaping to secure a \$225,000 grant from the Legacy funds to put in over forty BMP stormwater 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 FoDL, a Watershed Heroes Award for Citizen Engagement. Since January of 2013 I have served on the MCWD CAC.	I have been involved in the neighborhood for many years centering around environmental and water 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 two 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 new executive director Board of Governors to protect and improve the infrastructure and natural resources of the District. This past year I participated in the Creek Cleanup working at the Lake Hiawatha site and served on the CAC subcommittee to evaluate citizen submitted stormwater management grant applications. Both these opportunities 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.	I believe stormwater flash events along the creek corridor will become more common over time, increasing citizen engagement to apply stormwater 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 stormwater runoff.	Mary Martini (358 Roslyn Place, Minneapolis, MN 55419, 612-861-4617) Kerrie Blevens (5866 Oakland Ave S, Minneapolis, MN 55417, 612-822-7176) John Quincy (5157 Oakland Ave S, Minneapolis, MN 55417, 612-673-2211)
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Rechelbacher, Peter	1242 Hunter Drive, Wayzata, 55391	763-249-1405; 612-396-8529	prechelbacher@msn.com	Self employed	N/A	Mooney Lake Association
<b>Background</b>		<b>Why I Want to Serve</b>		<b>Issues of Interest</b>		<b>References</b>
Mooney Lake Association president 2009-2015. City of Medina volunteer representative to MCWD 2011-2014. CAC member 2012-2015. Vice Chair 2015. Coalition Minnehaha Creek Waters 2012-present. Give to the Earth Foundation 1992-1996 Board member.		I would like to continue working to improve water quality throughout the watershed district. Stormwater runoff and AIS are two major issues facing our water bodies today. As president of an organization dedicated to restore Mooney Lake, I bring hands on experience on implementing and advocating for improved water quality.		The CAC should be used by the MCWD managers to review programs and support when needed on committees to help promote and support the goals to protect our water resources.		Liz Weir (1262 Hunter Drive, Wayzata MN 55391, 763-473-3226) Tim Curtin (1745 Troy Lane N, Plymouth MN 55447, 763-473-3366) Steve McComas (550 S Snelling Ave, St. Paul, MN 55116, 651-690-9602)

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Rosenberg, Marc	3429 Oakton Drive, Minnetonka, 55305	952-938-5848; 952-842-1164	mrosenberg@advanceins.com	Insurance Agent	Advance Insurance Agency; 5241 Viking Drive, Edina, 55435	None
<b>Background</b>		<b>Why I Want to Serve</b>		<b>Issues of Interest</b>		<b>References</b>
Past non-profit volunteer: Walker Art Center, Create A Memory Foundation and Will Steger Foundation. Currently support: Rachel Carson Council, Pesticide Action Network (PAN), Northwest Center for Alternatives to Pesticides (NCAP), Friends of the Mississippi River, Sierra Club, Fresh Energy, Food & Water Watch, Freshwater Society, Environmental Partnership, Interfaith Power & Light		Minnehaha Creek and its tributaries symbolize a community resource that demands citizen involvement in its protection. It is a vital ecosystem literally in my backyard. My professional career in insurance has a strong focus on risk management. We should not compromise water quality by allowing toxic compounds to pollute our watershed.		This is a serious public health risk management concern. Integrated pest management and safe alternatives to pesticides should be pursued. I would like to continue serving on the CAC in 2016 and help the board of managers accomplish their mission statement.		Ronald Zamansky (Minnetonka, 612-340-9720) Terry Gips (St. Louis Park, 612-374-4765) Molly Papetti (Minneapolis, 952-237-0746)

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Schneider, Robert	265 Lakeview Ave, Tonka Bay, 55331	612-889-8352	bob@bass24.com	Retired	N/A	None
<b>Background</b>		<b>Why I Want to Serve</b>		<b>Issues of Interest</b>		<b>References</b>
Self employed for 35 years. Served on state and national insurance associations. Past president and current member of Excelsior Rotary club. Grew up in Excelsior. My wife and I have lived on Lake Minnetonka since 1976.		Lake Minnetonka and surrounding watershed is one of the most valuable resources we have. I want to see it preserved and improved for future generations. Everyone who uses the Lake and surrounding watershed needs to understand it can no longer be business as usual. We need more education and stricter enforcement of current rules and regulations. We may need to create a fee based system to fund clean up and control of any additional damage.		Stricter enforcement of current rules and regulations. A fee based system for use of certain		Ross Mcglasson (365 Lakeview Ave, Tonka Bay, MN 55331, 952-474-1249) Larry Barnett (255 Lakeview Ave, Tonka Bay, MN 55331, 951-470-6902) Bart Baker (20015 Vine St, Excelsior, MN 55331, 952-474-0145)

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Weber, Neil	2280 Watertown Road, Long Lake, 55356	952-476-4434	nw@weberarchitects.com	Architect/Planner; Self-Employed	N/A	None
<b>Background</b>		<b>Why I Want to Serve</b>		<b>Issues of Interest</b>		<b>References</b>

<p>University of Minnesota, Bachelor of Architecture. Architectural registration with: State of Minnesota, State of Wisconsin, American Institute of Architects, NCARB Certified. Work experience: Weber Architects and Planners, Schwarz/Weber architects, Horan-Hustad architects, Chicago White Sox Professional Baseball Club. Personal community involvement experience: Museum of Lake Minnetonka board member, MCWD CAC member (2010-present), 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 board member, Minnesota Federated Humane Society vice president, Central Minnesota Arts Board board member, Luce Line Trail Association board member, Wright County SWCD elected supervisor, Wright County Water Management Committee board member, Humane Society of Wright County president/board member, Minnesota Wetland Forum board member, MetCouncil Land Use Advisory Committee member, Suburban Hennepin Regional Park District elected commissioner, Met 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 board member, Minneapolis Model Cities Planning Council board member, Architect in Minneapolis Public Schools teacher/teacher education of gifted children</p>	<p>I would like to continue to serve on the CAC so that I can use my experience in architecture and planning to further good stormwater practices in development.</p>	<p>I would like to see much a much stronger relationship between the MCWD and local governments in the earliest steps of development process so that proper measures are designed into the process from the beginning. This will avoid the typical approval by a city with the statement..."now go get it approved by the watershed district."</p>	<p>Marty Schneider, Council member for City of Long Lake (612-237-3843)</p>
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**MCWD Citizen Advisory Committee Members  
2016 Applications**

<b>Name</b>	<b>City</b>	<b>Status</b>
Bill Bushnell	Minnetrista	Returning
Sylvia Carlson	Woodland	Returning
Jerry Ciardelli	St. Louis Park	Returning
Kevin Coonan	Minneapolis	New
Colin Cox	St. Louis Park	Returning
Jacqueline Di Giacomo	Tonka Bay	Returning
Chris Dovolis	Minnetonka Beach	Returning
Brian Girard	Deephaven	Returning
Donald Heywood	Mound	New
Casper Hill	Minneapolis	New
Joe Lofgren	Minneapolis	Returning
Joseph Lutz	Minnetonka	New
Kelly Kromer	Wayzata	New
Richard Manser	Edina	Returning
Val McGruder	Minnetonka	New
Steve Mohn	Laketown Township	Returning
Richard Nyquist	Minneapolis	New
David Oltmans	Minneapolis	Returning
Peter Rechelbacher	Wayzata	Returning
Marc Rosenberg	Minnetonka	Returning
Robert Schneider	Tonka Bay	New
Neil Weber	Long Lake	Returning

# CITIZEN ADVISORY COMMITTEE (CAC) REVIEW

## Review of the following CAC from the metro area:

Capitol Region Watershed District

Mississippi Watershed Management Organization

Nine Mile Creek Watershed District

Ramsey Washington Metro Watershed District

Rice Creek Watershed District

Riley Purgatory Bluff Creek Watershed District

### **SUMMARY OF REVIEW:**

- CAC membership ranges from 5 to 24 members (average is 15)
- A majority of CAC strive to have diverse representation across the watershed in relation to geography, backgrounds, expertise and areas of interest
- A majority of appointments are one year terms that are either renewed annually or the individual is allowed to continue their term at will
- Applications to the CAC are usually sought during the month of December and appointments made in January
- Roles and responsibilities vary by watershed district

### **CAPITOL REGION WATERSHED DISTRICT**

- The CAC is currently at 12 members and meeting attendance is consistently around 7-8 individuals at each meeting
- District is recruiting to reach 16-18 members to boost average attendance to 10-12 at monthly meetings
- There are no term limits however the CAC by-laws state minimum attendance requirements to remove individuals that miss excessive meetings
- CAC reappointments are made annually by the Board
- A goal is to have diversity on the CAC to represent the geography of the watershed with a desire for at least one member from specific communities identified
- CRWD has developed an orientation packet for CAC members

# CITIZEN ADVISORY COMMITTEE (CAC) REVIEW

Roles and responsibilities of CAC members:

- 1) The CAC actively participates in planning processes, watershed plan preparation and long-term implementation of programs.
- 2) The CAC is a communication link between the citizenry and the Board.
- 3) Additional roles and responsibilities will be determined jointly by the CAC and the Board.
- 4) Additional roles and responsibilities can include such things as:
- 5) Identify issues that are relevant to the responsibilities of the District.
- 6) Assist with the ranking of issues.
- 7) Develop projects to bring to the Board and staff for consideration.
- 8) Alert the Board and staff about potential projects and collaborations within the community.
- 9) Review and comment on the annual budget.
- 10) Review and comment on revised work plans and schedules as necessary.
- 11) Assist the Board in communicating with various community groups, organizations and citizens on matters affecting the District.
- 12) Identify areas where additional education and information could assist the CAC in making recommendations.

## MISSISSIPPI WATERSHED MANAGEMENT ORGANIZATION

- The CAC is composed of 16 members
- Individuals on the CAC represent specific areas of the watershed with five at-large positions
- Preference is given to: residents of MWMO, residents of subwatershed flowing into MWMO, employer or employee in the MWMO and/or subwatershed
- Diverse expertise and backgrounds are welcome (education, business, planning, other)
- Applications are reviewed by MWMO staff and Board committee and approved by the full Board
- CAC Appointment is for one year and is renewable annually

Responsibilities:

- 1) Review funding proposals
- 2) Review annual budget
- 3) Participate in planning for the watershed
- 4) Other, as assigned by the MWMO Board

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## **NINE MILE CREEK WATERSHED DISTRICT**

- There is no limit on CAC membership however there is a goal to have 10-12 members
- The CAC is made up of volunteers who advise the Board of Managers on water-related community concerns and issues. The CAC also assists with the development and implementation of education and outreach activities.
- Every year, CAC members dedicate their time to restore and educate members of the community on the water resources of the Nine Mile Creek Watershed. CAC members have cleaned up the creek, marked storm drains, met and discussed with fellow residents about the water resources in our district and even distributed our Annual Communications to residents living in the Nine Mile Creek Watershed District.
- The Nine Mile Creek WD CAC meets on a quarterly basis

## **RAMSEY WASHINGTON METRO WATERSHED DISTRICT**

- The minimum membership is 12 and current membership of the CAC is at 24 individuals (average attendance is approximately 15-18)
- Representation is requested from each of the major cities along with representation from interest groups
- The term length is two years (written into by-laws) and individuals can be reappointed
- The CAC is appointed to provide input to the Board and staff on program design, implementation, and evaluation.

Responsibilities of CAC will include (but not limited to):

- 1) Receive information and education on the programs and activities of the District.
- 2) Participate in the development and review of the District annual work program and budget.
- 3) Complete tasks as assigned by the Board of Managers.
- 4) Review District plans, studies and projects and provide comments.

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- 5) Assist District staff in public education, outreach and information activities and events.
- 6) Develop community contacts and methods to gain an understanding of community attitudes and concerns about water management issues.
- 7) Assist staff in the planning and implementation of the Annual Recognition and Awards event and awards process.
- 8) Participate and assist in the planning and implementation of District tours.

## **RICE CREEK WATERSHED DISTRICT**

- The CAC is limited to 12 members (4 from each county)
- CAC members are appointed by the RCWD Board of Managers for 1-year terms. Previously appointed members may continue to serve on the committee beyond the initial one-year term at will.
- Appointed by the Board of Managers, the CAC advises and assists the Board on all matters affecting the interests of the RCWD. To do this, CAC members review reports, activities and proposed cost-share projects at their monthly meetings and then draft recommendations for the Board.

## **RILEY PURGATORY BLUFF CREEK WATERSHED DISTRICT**

- CAC memberships are renewed annually; no term limits
- The CAC meets at the request of the RPBCWD Board of Managers to assist in developing programs and activities that help improve and protect the water resources of the RPBCWD
- The role of the CAC is to advise the RPBCWD Board of Directors as a representative of citizen interests. This includes:
  - o informing the board about issues of concern from the public
  - o learning about water resource issues and management in the district
  - o reviewing and commenting on reports, minutes, activities and projects
  - o providing guidance and assistance for volunteer activities
  - o advising and assisting in decision-making

# CITIZEN ADVISORY COMMITTEE (CAC) REVIEW

## **MINNESOTA STATUTES: SECTION 103D.331 ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

Subdivision 1. Purpose. The managers must annually appoint an advisory committee to advise and assist the managers on all matters affecting the interests of the watershed district and make recommendations to the managers on all contemplated projects and improvements in the watershed district.

Subd. 1a. Duties. For purposes of carrying out its duties under this section the advisory committee shall:

- (1) elect a chair from its membership;
- (2) elect a recorder from its membership;
- (3) establish a meeting schedule, which at a minimum meets annually;
- (4) consider issues pertinent to the functions and purposes of the watershed district;
- (5) review and comment on reports, minutes, activities, and proposed projects of the managers; and
- (6) report to the managers the general content of advisory committee meetings and resulting recommendations.

Subd. 2. Members. (a) The advisory committee consists of at least five members. If practicable, the advisory committee members selected should include a representative from each soil and water conservation district, a representative of each county, a member of a sporting organization, and a member of a farm organization. Other advisory committee members may be appointed at the discretion of the managers. The members must be residents of the watershed district, except representatives from soil and water conservation districts and counties, and serve at the pleasure of the managers.

(b) In addition, the managers may appoint other interested and technical persons who may or may not reside within the watershed district to serve at the pleasure of the managers.

Subd. 3. Expense reimbursement. The managers may reimburse members of the advisory committee for actual traveling and other necessary expenses incurred in the performance of duties in the amount as provided for state employees.

Laws 1990, c. 391, art. 4, § 24. Amended by Laws 1995, c. 199, § 15



**MINNEHAHA CREEK**  
WATERSHED DISTRICT

***Continuing with the rotation order from previous years, the schedule is as follows:***

**Assignments for Board Liaison to the CAC 2016**

January:	Bill Olson
February:	Brian Shekleton
March:	Kurt Rogness
April:	Sherry White
May:	Dick Miller
June:	Pam Blixt
July:	Jim Calkins
August:	Bill Olson
September:	Brian Shekleton
October:	Kurt Rogness
November:	Sherry White
December:	Dick Miller