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Report of the Canadian Unitarian Council Nominating Committee – 2013

Terms of office are for three years unless otherwise noted.

The following CUC Board members will continue their terms during 2012-2013:

For the Eastern Region: Curtis Murphy (Montreal) (3rd year of 1st term)
For the Central Region: Ellen Campbell (Toronto) (3rd year of 1st term)
For the Western Region: Roger Rochester (Winnipeg) (2nd year of 1st term);
 Gary Groot (Saskatoon) (2nd year of 2nd term)
For the BC Region: Kristina Stevens (Victoria) (3rd year of 1st term);
 Leslie Kemp (Vancouver) (2nd year of 2nd term)

The following are Nominees for the CUC Board:

For the Eastern Region: Glenda Butt (Halifax) (1st year of 2nd term)
For the Central Region: Fiona Heath (Durham) (1st year of 1st term)

The following CUC Nominating Committee members will continue their terms during 2012-2013:

For Eastern Region: Bunty Albert (Vernon Bridge, PEI) (2nd year of 1st term)
For East/Central at Large: Elizabeth Bowen (Ottawa) (2nd year of 2nd term)
For the Central Region: Doug Campbell (Toronto) (3rd year of 2nd term)
For West/BC at Large: Anna Isaacs (Victoria) (3rd year of 1st term)
For the Western Region: Susan Ruttan (Edmonton) (2nd year of 1st term)

The following is a Nominee for the CUC Nominating Committee:

For the BC Region: Debra Thorne (New Westminster) (1st year of 2nd term)

Nominee for auditor:

To be confirmed.

Biographical Information

Board Nominees

Glenda Butt

Glenda arrived at the UU Church of Halifax in the late 70's and signed the membership book in '84. She had a wonderful childhood growing up in the picturesque town of Corner Brook, Newfoundland and Labrador, which included developing a positive attitude toward church life in the United Church of Canada.



Dalhousie University brought Glenda to Halifax, where she later returned to become a professor and Director of the School of Dental Hygiene.

In the 90's Glenda served as the church's Finance Chair for two years including organizing the annual canvass. She did a 4 year Vestry/Board term including President from 2003-07, and chaired the Vision & Vitality committee. She currently chairs the Human Resources committee, co-chairs the Committee on Shared Ministry and serves on the Planet Group and Green Sanctuary Team.

Retired since 2008, Glenda now continues her active lifestyle and work in the UUCH, shares life's treasures with soul mate Franklin, and loves the connections with the seven wonderful university students she and Franklin have helped adjust to life in our university city of Halifax.

Fiona Heath

Fiona joined the Grand River Congregation in Waterloo in 2001. After serving for six years as a lay chaplain, Fiona chose to live out her principles by becoming a UU minister. She was fellowshipped as a minister in September 2012 and will be ordained in May 2013. Fiona will be serving the Durham congregation.

Fiona has served on various committees in her home congregation, and was a member of the Board of Trustees for two years. During her internship year with First Toronto she was part of the first Diversity Team. She is trained in Conflict Resolution and Mediation.

Prior to life as a minister, Fiona spent several years as Manager of the Survey Research Centre at University of Waterloo. She has been a freelance writer and adult educator specializing in voluntary simplicity and environmental issues, and has sat on the boards of a food co-operative and a community arts centre.

Her particular interests are in growth, vision, and strategic planning.

Nominating Committee Nominee

Debra Thorne

Debra is a Unitarian minister, soon to be ordained, and currently serving the Beacon congregation in New Westminster, B.C.

Debra has been a member of the Unitarian Church of Vancouver since 1991 and before that was associated with the Regina Fellowship while at university in the 80s. She has served on various church committees, and as a lay chaplain, and facilitated trainings for lay chaplains, as well as being part of the national LC committee.

She worked in the arts as an actor, director and teacher for thirty years, most recently in the position of senior instructor in the Acting Department of the Vancouver Film School.

Debra wants to be part of a strong informed team who find the most committed and passionate Unitarians to fill the CUC Board vacancies.