

**2019-2020 MCC Governing Board
First Meeting - June 5, 2019**

MINUTES

- MCC Board Members Present:** Julie Waters; Elizabeth John; Alicia Plerhoples; Raj Mehra; Terri Markwart; Megan Markwart; Maria Foderaro-Guertin; Suzanne Le Menestrel; Carla Post; Xavier Jimenez
- MCC Board Members Absent:** Carole Herrick
- MCC Staff Present:** George Sachs, Executive Director; Ashok Karra, Comptroller; Holly Novak; Jennifer Garrett, Technical Director; Sarah Schallern Treff, Performing Arts Director
- Guests:** Fairfax County Dranesville District Supervisor John Foust; Desi Woltman; friends and family of new and current board members

CONVENE FIRST MEETING OF 2019-2020 MCC GOVERNING BOARD

Terri Markwart, Elections Committee member, convened the first meeting of the 2019-2020 Governing Board of the McLean Community Center on June 5, 2019 at 8:00 p.m.

PLEDGE CEREMONY

Supervisor John Foust was introduced. He congratulated the newly-elected board members and thanked all the previous board members. Board members stood for the Pledge ceremony, raising their right hand. Supervisor Foust read aloud the Pledge, as everyone repeated after him:

McLean Community Center 2019-2020 Governing Board Annual Pledge

As an MCC Governing Board Member, I pledge to:

- Support the mission of the McLean Community Center:
 - To provide a sense of community by undertaking programs; assisting community organizations; and furnishing facilities for civic, cultural, educational, recreational and social activities apportioned fairly to all residents of Small District 1A, Dranesville.
- Comply with the Code of Conduct.
- Support the executive director in his/her executive role.
- Respect and support the MOU, Policies, Operations, and Board decisions.
- Conduct myself in a spirit of collegiality and respect for the collective decisions of the Board and subordinate my personal preferences to the best interests of the MCC.
- Honor confidentiality regarding discussions, comments, and deliberations.
- Comply with laws of the Commonwealth of Virginia, including the State and Local Government Conflict of Interests Act as it applies to the Governing Board.
- Exercise the above responsibilities at all times in a reasonable and prudent manner.

A group photo was taken of the newly installed 2019-2020 Governing Board with Supervisor John Foust.

ADOPT AGENDA *Terri Markwart, of the Elections & Nominations Committee, was asked to convene the first meeting and lead the election of the Governing Board Chair in tonight's absence of Elections Chair Carole Herrick.

Terri Markwart opened the floor for any requested changes to the Agenda. The Agenda for this First Meeting of the 2019-2020 Governing Board was adopted by acclamation.

ELECTION OF 2019-2020 GOVERNING BOARD CHAIR

The first action was to elect the Chair of the 2019-2020 Governing Board; Julie Waters had been nominated. All board members are eligible to run for this position, including those newly-elected. The floor was opened for other nominations; there were none.

Julie Waters was elected as the 2019-2020 Governing Board Chair by acclamation

ELECTION OF BOARD OFFICERS

Board Chair Waters assumed leadership of the meeting at this point, to hold the election for other members of the 2019-2020 Executive Committee: Vice-Chair; Secretary; Treasurer. All board members are eligible to run for these positions, including those newly-elected.

Ms. Waters announced that Elizabeth “Lissy” John had been nominated for the position of Vice-Chair. The floor was opened for other nominations; there were none.

Elizabeth “Lissy” John was elected to the office of Vice-Chair by acclamation.

Ms. Waters announced that Raj Mehra had been nominated for the position of Treasurer. The floor was opened for other nominations; there were none.

Raj Mehra was elected to the office of Treasurer by acclamation.

Ms. Waters announced that Terri Markwart had been nominated for the position of Secretary. The floor was opened for other nominations; there were none.

Terri Markwart was elected to the office of Secretary by acclamation.

COMMITTEE APPOINTMENT PROCESS

**a one-page preference sheet was distributed for interest in committee assignments*

Board Chair Waters explained the opportunity to submit personal preferences about how they would like to be involved on various Board committees (1st, 2nd and 3rd choices). People were asked to return the information to Ms. Waters (cc: George Sachs and Holly Novak) by Friday, June 8. Mr. Sachs and Ms. Waters will work on assembling the committee structure and selecting who will chair each committee.

ANNUAL PLANNING SESSION – JULY 17

Ms. Waters encouraged everyone to attend the upcoming Annual Planning Session with the Board and MCC staff. Mr. Sachs presented an overview of agenda for this important discussion of goals and priorities for the coming year. Everyone is requested to save the date and to please inform staff if unable to attend on July 17.

BOARD MEETING CALENDAR

The Board meeting 2019-2020 advance calendar was included the Policies & Procedures notebook. Each person also received a Minutes notebook for keeping Board-related documents throughout the year. The next Regular Meeting will be on July 24. Once committees are solidified, they will select their future schedule.

CLOSING REMARKS AND ADJOURNMENT

Chair Waters concluded by thanking Paul Kohlenberger, Desi Woltman, Lauren Herzberg and Kat Kehoe for their service over the past years. She welcomed the new board members and thanked them for stepping up to serve. We look forward to a good year. Board members were asked to place their signatures on the official Pledge document, which is a permanent record of the occasion; it will be mounted on the interior display wall at MCC. Chair Waters adjourned the meeting at 8:07 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Holly Novak – Executive Assistant to the Governing Board