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## **2023 MCC Governing Board Election: KEY DATES**

**January 18 (Wednesday) at 9:00 a.m.** – Candidate Petition packets are available for pick-up by interested potential candidates at the McLean Community Center (1234 Ingleside Avenue, McLean VA 22101). Candidate Petition packets will remain available for pick-up by interested potential candidates through Friday, March 3, 2023.

**March 3 (Friday) by 5:00 p.m.** – **DEADLINE:** Completed Candidate Petitions must be **returned** to the McLean Community Center by the individual candidates themselves, in-person. Verification of each candidates' information submitted will happen during the following week – certifying that they are a Small District 1A-Dranesville resident who has gained the endorsement of the required number of residents to qualify as a candidate. Each person will be so notified and invited to the Candidate Orientation on March 11.

**March 11 (Saturday) 2:00 to 4:00 p.m.** – **Candidate Orientation** (*in-person at MCC*)

*Please note: This is the only information session.* It is highly recommended that candidates participate – to receive a “Candidate Orientation” packet and converse with current Board members. A professional photographer will be available to take individual publicity headshot photos. Or, candidates may choose to submit their own digital headshot to be used for election publicity. After the Orientation, candidates may begin their personal campaigning activity among Small District 1A-Dranesville residents, owners of small businesses, and community interest groups.

**March 15 (Wednesday) at 9:00 a.m.** – **Absentee Voting begins:** in-person at McLean Community Center (1234 Ingleside Avenue, McLean, Virginia 22101)... OR... by U.S. Mail (requests for ballots received online through MCC website; phone; email) Ballot packages will be mailed promptly to all requestors.

**April 12 (Wednesday) evening t.b.d. Open Game Night at OFC: YOUTH Candidates “Meet-and-Greet”**

Pizza and games at OFC! An opportunity for teens to enjoy fun hanging out together and interacting with the youth candidates representing McLean & Langley high school boundary areas – talking about their common interest in building positive community atmosphere through serving on MCC Governing Board.

**April 8 (Saturday) 10:00 a.m. to 12 noon** – **ADULT Candidates “Meet-and-Greet”** held in-person at MCC during SpringFest family event – as an opportunity for adult candidates to interact with the public and answer questions about their interest in serving on MCC Governing Board to build a positive community atmosphere.

**May 17 (Wednesday) at 5:00 p.m.** – **Absentee Voting ENDS.** **DEADLINE:** All absentee voting ballots must be received online...delivered through the mail...or dropped-off at McLean Community Center (1234 Ingleside Avenue, McLean, VA 22101) by 5:00 p.m.

**May 20 (Saturday) 10:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.** – **In-person voting at McLean Day**, Lewinsville Park, 1659 Chain Bridge Road, McLean, Virginia, 22101. All Small District 1A-Dranesville residents (adults and youth) are eligible to vote if they have not done so already during Absentee Voting. Candidates will be personally notified of the election results that same evening after all votes are tallied by League of Women Voters of the Fairfax Area.

**May 24 (Wednesday) 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.** – Executive Director's orientation for newly-elected board members (adults and youth). Newly-elected board members are welcome to stay and observe the Regular Meeting of the 2022-2023 Governing Board, which immediately follows at 6:30 p.m.

**June 7 (Wednesday) at 6:30 p.m.** – Final Meeting of outgoing 2022-2023 Governing Board. Pledge ceremony for newly-elected and re-elected Board members led by Fairfax County Supervisor John Foust. Opportunity for Board members' friends and family to observe the celebration, take photographs. After the Pledge ceremony, the first meeting of the 2023-2024 Governing Board will officially convene.

**mid-June (t.b.d.)** – FOIA [Freedom of Information Act] training by Fairfax County attorney staff