



# Officer and Board Nominees

ARLINGTON COUNTY CIVIC FEDERATION

FY2022 NOMINATING COMMITTEE,  
14 JUN 2022

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- Adam R Henderson, *Chair (Delegate, Douglas Park Civic Assn)*
- Michael Beer, *Member (Delegate, Maywood Civic Assn)*
- Mike Cantwell, *Member (Delegate, Yorktown Civic Assn)*
- Nadia Conyers, *Member (Delegate, NAACP)*
- Juliet Hiznay, *Member (Delegate, Columbia Heights Civic Assn)*
- Kitty Clark Stevenson, *Member (Delegate, Alliance for Housing Solutions)*

***MY SINCERE THANKS TO EACH OF YOU!***



# POSITION: NOMINEE:

# PRESIDENT JOHN FORD

- DELEGATE, TARA-LEEWAY HEIGHTS C A
- ACCF EXPERIENCE: As chair of the Public Services Committee, John has led the development of an effective campaign to identify and address critical countywide flood mitigation and stormwater management. Through his work, the committee has drafted and passed 4 resolutions with guidance for the county in the approach to flooding and stormwater and he has been successfully leading coordination with the county staff to implement the recommendations. He has initiated and is coordinating a strategy to organize civic associations by watershed to develop and promote civic association collaborative plans and to identify priorities for the CIP. In his role as Chair of Public Services, John has also provided support for subcommittee leads on Public Safety, Community Mental Health, and individual members addressing public services issues ad hoc . Both subcommittees and ad hoc groups have developed and provided presentations to the ACCF membership on a wide range of range of topics including review of the Police Practices Group findings, the Marcus Alert mental health initiative, the consideration of a broadband authority for Arlington, and privacy issues with the Clarendon Innovation and Public Safety Zone
- OTHER EXPERIENCE: President, Tara-Leeway Heights Civic Association (2019 – current, Vice-President, Highland Park-Overlee Knolls CA 1983-86; Vice-President, Tara-Leeway Heights CA, 2017-19 • President, Overlee Community Association 1984-86 • Acting Ambassador in Belarus and The Bahamas during 33-year diplomatic career.
- CONTRIBUTION TO DIVERSITY: John is highly skilled in leadership through an inclusive team management style that recognizes, welcomes, includes, and supports individual contributions through collaboration. As a career diplomat with the State Department serving in management and at the top levels of embassies, John has lived in many cultures and demonstrated the highest skills in promoting collaboration among diverse cultures and perspectives.
- PERSONAL STATEMENT: During the past three years, I have been privileged to chair the ACCF Public Services committee and attend every Executive Board meeting. I have also organized and led a broad watershed-based collaboration between our CAs in the five most critical Arlington watersheds. This has allowed these groups, totaling 25 CAs and several hundred individual members, to speak with a unified, powerful voice to a busy county board. Result: A ten-fold increase in stormwater mitigation funding in the current CIP. This experience has not only reinforced my faith in ACCF as the county's leading civic voice, and in its enormous positive potential to improve our lives and our county. It has also granted me an introduction to an extraordinarily talented and dedicated group of colleagues, whom I would be proud and honored to lead as we and the county face new challenges.



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# **POSITION:** VICE-PRESIDENT

# **NOMINEE:** RON HADDOX

- DELEGATE, COLUMBIA HEIGHTS C A
- ACCF EXPERIENCE: Chair, Legislation Committee.
- OTHER EXPERIENCE: President, Columbia Heights Civic Assn, Bicycle Advisory Committee, Neighborhood Conservation Advisory Committee.
- CONTRIBUTION TO DIVERSITY: Ron Haddox has a strong record of outreach and bringing people together in a collaborative manner. He has been very supportive of diversifying the ACCF and has served on the Civil Rights Working Group.
- PERSONAL STATEMENT:.



# **POSITION: SECRETARY**

# **NOMINEE: ALLEN NORTON**

- DELEGATE, BLUEMONT C A
- ACCF EXPERIENCE: Have been a Delegate from the BCA since Sept 2017. Served as the Secretary of the ACCF for the 2019-2020 and 2020-2021 fiscal years. Served as the Chair of the Bylaws and Rules Committee from Dec 2019 to May 2021. ACCF Representative to the Vision Zero Project since Dec 2019.
- OTHER EXPERIENCE: Have served on numerous Ad Hoc committees for my Civic Association (Safeway Rebuild, Bikeshare, etc). Chair of the Mathematics Subcommittee of the ACTL (early 2000's).
- CONTRIBUTION TO DIVERSITY: By being logical, analytic, non-emotional and only interested in an idea's merit; not where it came from.
- PERSONAL STATEMENT: This is an administrative position. The Secretary takes minutes for 24 meetings, keeps many ACCF records, keeps the Contact Lists and Membership Certifications for 85+ organizations, etc. It requires time and organization. I have the first and am good at the other.



# POSITION: SECRETARY

# NOMINEE: DAVID SMITH

- DELEGATE, BLUEMONT C A
- ACCF EXPERIENCE: Delegate. David was asked two years ago to take the lead in organizing the seven Civic Associations in the Lubber Run watershed to collaborate together to protect residents and businesses against what have become frequent, damaging stormwater flooding events. Working with strong and independent-minded CA leaders, he has won them over by his careful attention to detail and to their particular interests. His written records of the group's meetings are timely models of brevity and completeness. He has earned their respect with his collaborative leadership style and willingness to compromise. He has forged a unified, highly successful group in representing his watershed to the county. David's skills in attention to detail, and in writing and circulating timely operational records have contributed to the smooth functioning of the work group and helped facilitate the group formulation of strategies and statements for implementation. These skills will be extremely valuable assets to the Civic Federation through his service as Secretary.
- OTHER EXPERIENCE: David is currently the Bluemont Civic Association Treasurer and a delegate to the Civic Federation. He is an accomplished engineering and program manager with extensive leadership experience managing complex requirements and cross-organizational solutions with both internal and customer teams. Currently leads the coordination of the Lubber Run Watershed multi-civic association work group.
- CONTRIBUTION TO DIVERSITY: David is known professionally for his adaptive/inclusive leadership style and has demonstrated the effectiveness of this style in including and engaging civic associations leaders with diverse backgrounds and perspectives. He will bring this inclusive leadership style to the work of the Civic Federation.
- PERSONAL STATEMENT: Through my current service as a member of the CivFed Stormwater Committee and Bluemont Civic Association delegate I gained a great appreciation for the importance of the work that CivFed performs. I believe I could leverage my professional skills - program manager for NOAA project and fanatic about organized, accurate, and timely records and meeting minutes - to serve the other CivFed officers and the broader mission of CivFed. In addition to CivFed work, I also serve as the Bluemont CA Treasurer and in 2021 I founded the Lubber Run Watershed group with membership from six civic associations.



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# POSITION: TREASURER

# NOMINEE: JIM TODD

- DELEGATE, CHERRYDALE C A
- ACCF EXPERIENCE: Jim has a long history of civic leadership serving as the President of the Cherrydale Citizens Association (CA) since 2014 and as Vice President prior to that. As a CA leader, Jim has experience with engagement and community building and has led his CA in range of projects from clean-up for local parks to partnering with the Cherrydale Volunteer Fire Department. During the past several years, he has been active in the Langston Boulevard Alliance (LBA) working with other civic associations to collaboratively develop and review a vision and plans for the areas in the Langston Blvd. corridor. Stormwater and flooding has been one of the areas of interest and concern to both the Cherrydale Civic Association and to the more than 14 other CAs in the LBA. This past year, Jim has been an active participant and leader among peers of a group of 9 CA that have organized to work together on mitigating stormwater and flooding in the Spout Run Watershed. This work is a critical part of the ACCF Public Services stormwater strategy to organize and plan by watershed. Jim has stepped forward when he was needed to help manage the technical support for the Spout Run meetings and has been recognized for his skill in helping the group edit and re-draft a letter that meets the different perspectives for consensus. Jim's long civic leadership with an ACCF member organization and his significant experience with financial management in his professional career give him an ideal background to serve as a Treasurer and an active board member for the Civic Federation.
- OTHER EXPERIENCE: In Jim's professional career, he is a lead attorney at the Department of Justice for several long running class action suits with billions of dollars on the line. He has worked closely with forensic accountants and statisticians and has experience with preparing and reviewing financial statements and audits. • Jim was appointed by the County Board as a member of the Lee Highway Renaming Commission and he is an active member of the Langston Boulevard Alliance. • Jim is a long-time president of the Cherrydale Civic Association where he has focused on engagement and community building through a wide variety of issues and events. He is a delegate to ACCF. David is currently the Bluemont Civic Association Treasurer and a delegate to the Civic Federation. He is an accomplished engineering and program manager with extensive leadership experience managing complex requirements and cross-organizational solutions with both internal and customer teams. Currently leads the coordination of the Lubber Run Watershed multi-civic association work group.
- CONTRIBUTION TO DIVERSITY: Jim has demonstrated his commitment to fostering a welcoming and inclusive environment and to increasing diverse engagement through his community building activities and his skill in working with people with diverse backgrounds and perspectives.
- PERSONAL STATEMENT: I have dedicated my entire adult life to public service, both as a government employee and as neighborhood volunteer. I relish any opportunity to take on issues from the small and mundane to the far-reaching and strategic. I love working with my fellow Arlingtonians both one-on-one and in groups large and small. I have become a bit of an amateur urban planner and transportation advocate. I'm not afraid to take on something new, not afraid to ask for help and advice, and always try to learn from and model that which I admire in others. I hope I can be of service to the Civic Federation.



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# **POSITION:** BOARD, AT-LARGE

# **NOMINEE:** ALLAN GAJADHAR

- DELEGATE, CHERRYDALE C A
- ACCF EXPERIENCE: ACCF President for the last two years, Vice President for the year before that. Delegate and Schools committee member since 2013.
- OTHER EXPERIENCE: Member W/L renaming committee, CivFed delegate to School Board Budget Advisory Council.
- CONTRIBUTION TO DIVERSITY: I myself bring diversity to the Civic Federation and intend to continue supporting the implementation of the DEBI resolution.
- PERSONAL STATEMENT:





# **POSITION: BOARD, AT-LARGE**

# **NOMINEE: DAVE SCHUTZ**

- DELEGATE, ASHTON HEIGHTS C A
- ACCF EXPERIENCE: Member TiGER, Ashton Heights Delegate.
- OTHER EXPERIENCE: Former member Site Plan Review, former President, Ashton Heights Civic Assn, former chair, Park and Recreation Commission, some candidate volunteer work.
- CONTRIBUTION TO DIVERSITY: I have been and will continue to be involved in electoral reform advocacy in Arlington, I believe that work will contribute to the diversity/equity in County office holders.
- PERSONAL STATEMENT: I hope to continue to be active in CivFed's ongoing work to improve Arlington County processes.



# **POSITION:** BOARD, AT-LARGE

# **NOMINEE:** JACKIE SNELLING

- DELEGATE, LYON VILLAGE C A
- ACCF EXPERIENCE: Too many to itemize.
- OTHER EXPERIENCE: Also too many to itemize.
- CONTRIBUTION TO DIVERSITY: Jackie has been committed to diversity throughout her long tenure in ACCF; she also firmly believes in the need for recruiting the next generation of civic leaders.
- PERSONAL STATEMENT:



**POSITION:  
NOMINEE:**

**BOARD, AT-LARGE  
MARY WOLTER GLASS**

- DELEGATE, ARLINGTON TREE ACTION GROUP
- ACCF EXPERIENCE: Board Member; Chair Environmental Affairs Committee.
- OTHER EXPERIENCE: Civic Associations, PTA, Marymount neighborhood advisory committee.
- CONTRIBUTION TO DIVERSITY: I agree to support this resolution in my work for ACCF.
- PERSONAL STATEMENT: Having a chance to participate on the Board over the last year, I have learned a great deal about our community and the many valuable diverse members. I believe that the work of ACCF is important to inform and give voice to the important issues facing our rapidly growing and changing community.



# POSITION: NOMINEE:

# BOARD, AT-LARGE MICHAEL McMENAMIN

- DELEGATE, MAYWOOD C A
- ACCF EXPERIENCE: Mike has a long history of service to ACCF including board services and president. In the past few years, Mike has served on the Board from 2018 - 2021 and has chaired the Public Safety subcommittee of the Public Services Committee. As a member of the board, Mike helped promote a civil and respectful discussion of sensitive topics. He is known as a thoughtful leader and particularly valued for his good judgement. As chair of Public Safety group, Mike has coordinated the development of presentations to inform the members about the findings of the Police Practices Group committees, a presentation on the pros and cons of potential Community Broadband, and a presentation on the public safety and privacy issues of the Clarendon Safety and Innovation Zone technology project.
- OTHER EXPERIENCE: President of Maywood Community Association • former Arlington youth sports coach.
- CONTRIBUTION TO DIVERSITY: Mike is committed to promoting engagement and to expanding the diversity of our Civic Federation. He will make a significant contribution to an atmosphere that is welcoming and inclusive.
- PERSONAL STATEMENT: Mike McMEnamin is a 25-year resident of Arlington County with a wealth of experience as a civic leader. He is a past President of ACCF and recipient of the Arlington County Sun-Gazette Cup for civic leadership. He has long been active in his community, previously serving as President of the Maywood Community Association, and serving as a member of the Fiscal Affairs Advisory Committee (FAAC). In 2006, 2007 and 2015, Mike ran for Arlington County Board. Mike is an attorney and small business owner. He and his wife Kristam have two children, both of whom attended Arlington County schools. Mike is a former Arlington youth sports coach.



# POSITION: NOMINEE:

# BOARD, AT-LARGE NADIA CONYERS

- ALTERNATE, NAACP
- ACCF EXPERIENCE: Member, Board of Directors, Member of DEBI Committee.
- OTHER EXPERIENCE: Leadership Arlington; Green Valley Civic Assn; PTA President Hoffman-Boston Elementary School; APAH Board of Directors.
- CONTRIBUTION TO DIVERSITY: Nadia's presence on the board will enhance both racial and gender diversity, as well as awareness of the need to make the ACCF more welcoming to our diverse community.
- PERSONAL STATEMENT: Nadia currently serves on the Board of Directors. She is a fifth-generation Arlingtonian. She grew up in the Halls Hill/Highview Park community and has worked for 16 years as an Arlington County career counselor. Since earning her B.A. from Clark Atlanta University, she's made it her mission to give back to the community that gave so much to her. She serves as Outreach and Engagement Chair at Calloway United Methodist Church and actively support AFAC, Doorways for Women & Families and Bridges to Independence. Nadia was honored as Leadership Arlington's "Top 40 under 40" inaugural class. She lives in Green Valley with her husband and two children.



# **POSITION:** BOARD, AT-LARGE

# **NOMINEE:** SCOTT MILES

- DELEGATE, AURORA HIGHLANDS C A
- ACCF EXPERIENCE: Delegate from Aurora Highlands C A since 2016.
- OTHER EXPERIENCE: Aurora Highlands Civic Assn Vice President 2016-2018 and President 2019-2021, founding member of Livability 22202, past volunteer for Friends of Aurora Highlands Parks, Arlington Parks Coalition, Center for Urban Education.
- CONTRIBUTION TO DIVERSITY: I welcome and encourage all voices.
- PERSONAL STATEMENT:



# POSITION: NOMINEE:

# BOARD, AT-LARGE SUZANNE SUNDBURG

- ALTERNATE, ARLINGTON TREE ACTION GROUP
- ACCF EXPERIENCE: Anyone who has been active in the Civic Federation knows Suzanne as the most dependable and prolific source of research and analysis on virtually all of the civic topics that come before the Civic Federation. She is an outstanding leader in providing solid, well-referenced statements on controversial topics serving multiple committees, from Revenues & Expenditures and Public Services to Parks & Recreation, on any issue that includes the critical value and understanding of Arlington trees – from their canopy to their roots. She is currently the acting chair/POC for the Revenues & Expenditures Committee. Suzanne’s fact-filled analyses help provide the basis for discussion of controversial topics within a civil framework for disagreement. Her analyses highlight civic questions and provide perspective for new ideas and solutions.
- OTHER EXPERIENCE: Member of Civic Federation Revenues & Expenditures Committee (currently POC), Parks & Recreation Committee, Public Services Committee and former member of the Planning & Zoning Committee • Civic Federation Executive Committee member 2014–2018 • Recipient of the Civic Federation President’s Award in 2017 • Civic Federation Delegate or Alternate, starting in 2011 representing the Bluemont Civic Association, the Organized Women Voters and Arlington Tree Action Group (2021–Present).
- CONTRIBUTION TO DIVERSITY: Suzanne’s strong focus on research and facts provides an excellent framework for diversity of opinions and discussion of civic issues from all perspectives. (And she edited the adopted resolution for the DEBI Committee).
- PERSONAL STATEMENT: After a decade as a Rosslyn apartment dweller, I moved to Bluemont in 1996, serving as a Bluemont Civic Association volunteer beginning in 2002. Elected as a Bluemont delegate in 2011, I joined the Revenues & Expenditures (R&E) Committee, before joining Planning & Zoning, Parks & Recreation and Public Services. In 2014, delegates elected me to CivFed’s Executive Committee, where I served until 2018. Today, I am R&E’s POC and ATAG’s alternate delegate. Leveraging my skills as a professional writer/editor I support committees with research, analysis and drafting reports/resolutions. With your vote, I will serve you and CivFed’s leadership team.



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**BOARD, AT-LARGE**

**NOMINEE:**

**TODD TRUITT**

- DELEGATE, WAVERLY HILLS C A
- ACCF EXPERIENCE: Schools Committee Chair.
- OTHER EXPERIENCE: APS subject matter advisory committees (math and social studies).
- CONTRIBUTION TO DIVERSITY: Todd will promote diversity in the Schools committee and support broader ACCF efforts.
- PERSONAL STATEMENT:





# FLOOR NOMINEES

- THIS CONCLUDES THE PRESENTATION OF NOMINEES SUBMITTED TO THE COMMITTEE.

***ARE THERE NOMINATIONS  
FROM THE FLOOR?***



# VOTING PROCEDURE

- TWO BALLOTS.
- BALLOT ONE: OFFICERS
- BALLOT TWO: BOARD MEMBERS AT-LARGE



# VOTING PROCEDURE OFFICERS

- FOUR QUESTIONS, ONE FOR EACH OFFICE.
- APPROVE, DO NOT APPROVE, OR ABSTAIN FOR PRESIDENT, VP, AND TREASURER.
- APPROVE INDIVIDUAL CANDIDATE, DO NOT APPROVE EITHER CANDIDATE, OR ABSTAIN FOR SECRETARY.



# VOTING PROCEDURE BOARD AT-LARGE

- ONE QUESTION, MULTIPLE CHOICE.
- SELECT ALL NOMINEES WHICH YOU APPROVE.
- DO NOT APPROVE OF ANY NOMINEE.
- ABSTAIN.



# COUNTING PROCEDURE OFFICERS

- SUPERVISED BY CURRENT ACCF VICE-PRESIDENT NICOLE MERLENE.
- MAJORITY (50%+1) REQUIRED TO APPROVE PRESIDENT, VP, AND TREASURER.
- SIMPLE MAJORITY TO APPROVE SECRETARY, PROVIDED 'DO NOT APPROVE EITHER CANDIDATE' IS LESS THAN 50% OF SECRETARY VOTE.
- VOTE COUNTS CROSS-CHECKED WITH REGISTERED DELEGATE AND ALTERNATES LIST.



# COUNTING PROCEDURE BOARD AT-LARGE

- SUPERVISED BY CURRENT ACCF VICE-PRESIDENT NICOLE MERLENE.
- BYLAWS STATE BOARD AT-LARGE COMPRISED OF FIVE (5) TO NINE (9) MEMBERS.
- ALL CANDIDATES RECEIVING A MAJORITY (50%+1) OF THE TOTAL VOTES CAST FOR BOARD AT-LARGE WILL BE SEATED, UP TO THE MAXIMUM SPECIFIED UNDER THE BYLAWS.
- IF MORE THAN THE MAXIMUM ALLOWED CANDIDATES ARE APPROVED, SEATING WILL BE DETERMINED IN DESCENDING ORDER OF APPROVAL PERCENTAGE.
- VOTE COUNTS CROSS-CHECKED WITH REGISTERED DELEGATE AND ALTERNATES LIST.



# CONCLUSION

***ARE THERE ANY QUESTIONS  
BEFORE WE PROCEED  
TO THE VOTE?***

