The Table Community Food Centre AGM
June 3, 2019

Nominees for election to the Board of Directors

Nominees for Re-election

Craig Halpenny

Craig is a part owner of the Perth-based law firm Barker Willson Professional Corporation. Craig was called to the Ontario Bar in 2003 and has a law practice focused on corporate-commercial, real estate and wills/estates law.

Prior to joining Barker Willson, Craig was a lawyer at the Toronto office of Lang Michener LLP, a large national law firm. His practice was focused mainly on corporate commercial matters with a particular emphasis on mergers and acquisitions and securities law. Craig moved from Toronto to Perth to join Barker Willson in January 2005.

Craig graduated from the University of Western Ontario with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Psychology and Philosophy. He completed his Bachelor of Laws degree at Queen’s University.

Craig is a member of the Law Society of Upper Canada, the Canadian Bar Association and the County of Lanark Law Association. He currently serves as a director for local not-for-profit agencies, including Tayside Community Options (May 2007 - present) and Lanark Transportation Association (August 2006 - present). He is also the current Treasurer of the Perth Lanark Minor Hockey Association. Craig formerly served as director and President of the Perth and District Community Foundation and as a director and vice-chair of the Downtown Perth Business Improvement Area.

Born and raised in Eastern Ontario (South Mountain) Craig enjoys being actively involved in the community and volunteering his time with local organizations. In addition, he finds time to spend quality time with his family, play hockey, golf and enjoy the outdoors.

Craig has been a Director on The Table Community Food Centre Board since 2016 and is currently Chair of the Governance Committee. He is letting his name stand for election for an additional two year term.

Robyn Mulcahy

Robyn’s interest in issues of food security began with her studies as a Child and Youth Worker and later in Early Childhood Education. Her first work was with Health Canada’s prenatal nutrition program for young mothers “Buns in the Oven”. She taught cooking skills, nutrition, as well as providing healthy fresh produce to take home. She wondered why food banks could not work in that way. It took twenty years before she discovered The Table and the Community Food Centre model. Robyn has worked with youth facing homelessness, special needs children, and as an advocate for teens at the Children’s Aid Society. She is ardent about financial literacy and has created a board game to teach budgeting and meal planning to youth.
Robyn came to The Table as a volunteer to help out with community meals, and was excited to see how the many programs empowered participants. She is passionate about the change The Table Community Food Centre has created.
Robyn has been a Director on The Table Community Food Centre Board since 2016 and has been involved in numerous events, fund raising activities, and community programs. She is letting her name stand for election for an additional two year term.

New Nominees:

Nev Jande

Nev is a CPA and Senior Manager in the Risk Assurance Services practice at PwC where she has worked for the past 14 years. Nev has had the opportunity to work on various engagements which include high tech, not for profit, private and federal government clients. Nev began her career in the audit field and now specializes in business controls advisory working with her clients to ensure they have adequate controls in place that they can rely on. Her work has had her travel across Canada and across the globe working in Africa, Central America, the United States and Europe. Nev moved to Perth in 2009 and has two beautiful boys who keep her busy and bring her much joy. She joined the Table as a volunteer in December 2018. She is is excited and looks forward to contributing her experience and skills as incoming board Treasurer.

Brian Whitestone

Brian is a retired oral/maxillofacial surgeon. He graduated from University of Toronto, with a Doctor of Dental Surgery degree in 1983. Brian did his general practice residency at Mount Sinai Hospital in Toronto, and then his residency in oral maxillofacial surgery at Georgetown University in Washington D.C.

During his practice he was the section head of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery at Calgary Health Services in Calgary, Alberta between 1998-2016. Brian also served as the Clinical Assistant Professor of Surgery at both the faculty of medicine at the University of Calgary and the faculty of medicine and dentistry at the University of Alberta.

In recent years, Brian has participated in volunteer dental missions in Nicaragua and Guatemala. He is an avid photographer, and a business mentor at Capital Angel Network.

Having retired to the Perth community with his wife, Brian has been a steady volunteer in the kitchen at The Table. He enjoys working with the children in the After School Program.