



May 6<sup>th</sup>, 2020

Dear fellow AFP Members,

I am pleased to submit the slate, below, for the AFP Ottawa Chapter Board of Directors for approval at the 2020 AGM. I would like to thank returning directors as well as the new leaders in our community who have volunteered to serve the AFP Chapter.

Full biographies of returning directors can be found on AFP's website:  
<https://afpottawa.ca/board-of-directors/>

Sincerely,

Kelly Lachance, CFRE  
Past President AFP Ottawa Chapter & Nominations Chair

**Ottawa Chapter Board of Directors: Proposed 2020  
Slate**

<b>Executive</b>	<b>2019-2021</b>		
<b>President</b>	Teresa Marques, MA, CFRE <i>* Returning board member</i>	CEO	Rideau Hall Foundation
<b>President Elect &amp; External Relations</b>	Kylie Patrick, CFRE <i>* Returning board member</i>	Senior Development Officer, Major Gifts	Carleton University
<b>Treasurer</b>	Andrea Olsen-Black <i>* Returning board member</i>	Fundraising Campaign Coordinator	The Canadian Wildlife Federation
<b>Secretary</b>	Jennifer Benedict, CFRE <i>*Returning board member</i>	Managing Director and Philanthropic Counsel	Good Works Communications
<b>Past President</b>	Kelly Lachance, CFRE <i>* Returning board member</i>	Fundraising Strategist	Blakely
<b>Directors</b>	<b>2020-21</b>		
<b>Inclusion, Diversity, Equity, Access (I.D.E.A.)</b>	Laura Bonnett <i>* Returning board member</i>	Founder and CEO	Yellowtree Grant Writing
<b>Engagement &amp; Government Relations</b>	Rhonda Cameron <i>*Returning board member</i>	Administrative Professional	The Ottawa Hospital Foundation
<b>Fundraising Day</b>	Lyndsi McMillan <i>*New proposed board member</i>	Donor Stewardship Officer	Canadian Wildlife Federation
<b>Membership</b>	Megan Feltham <i>*Returning board member</i>	Director of Annual Giving	The Ottawa Mission Foundation
<b>Partnerships</b>	Jeff Todd, BAH, MA, BJ <i>*Returning board member</i>	Director of Communications	The Foundation (WCPD)/GIV Bahamas Inc.
<b>Philanthropy Awards</b>	Jessie-Lee Wallace, CFRE <i>*Returning board member</i>	Director of Philanthropy Awards Resource Development	Cornerstone Housing for Women
<b>Mentorship</b>	Claire Lewis <i>*New proposed board member</i>	Senior Development Officer, Special Projects	Carleton University
<b>Advanced Development</b>	<i>Vacant</i>		
<b>Education Sessions</b>	Andrea Peponoulas, CFRE <i>*New proposed board member</i>	Senior Development Officer, Philanthropy	The Ottawa Hospital Foundation
<b>Director At Large</b>	Holly Paulin <i>*Returning board member</i>	Philanthropic Counsel	Good Works Communications
<b>Director at Large</b>	Ashley Richer <i>*Returning board member</i>	Advancement Manager	Ottawa Network For Education

## **A FEW WORDS FROM THE NEW PROPOSED BOARD MEMBERS:**

### **Nominated for the position of Chair, Fundraising Day**

LYNDSI MCMILLAN

Donor Stewardship Officer, Canadian Wildlife Federation

As speaker chair for FRD I have worked closely with the FRD committee for the past two years to help deliver a successful conference. I was instrumental in the selection of speakers as well as acting as a liaison between our speakers and the FRD committee. I also provided prompt and courteous support to all our speakers before, during and after Fundraising day. During my time as speaker chair I learned a great deal about what is involved in running a successful fundraising day the conference and am very excited at the idea of taking on a leadership role.

I am goal and solution oriented. My natural curiosity, strong work ethic and aptitude for learning new skills has helped me excel in situations that require critical thinking and independent decision making. I have consistently met deadlines and goals in all my professional endeavors.

I am a strong communicator and am always professional and courteous when dealing with the public, colleagues, vendors and other. This helps me thrive in situations that require collaboration.

For the past two years I have occupied the role of Fundraising Day Speaker chair. Working with the FRD committee has been such a great experience, one that I wish to continue with.

I have enjoyed my time as speaker chair and learned a great deal but am very excited at the idea of growing my role on the FRD committee and with AFP. This would be a fantastic opportunity for me to gain new skills and learn more about the fundraising industry.

I have had the opportunity to learn so much from more experienced fundraisers and look forward and being able to give back by leading the FRC committee to another successful FRD.

### **Nominated for the position of Chair, Education Sessions**

ANDREA PEPOUNOULAS, CFRE

Senior Development Officer, Philanthropy, The Ottawa Hospital Foundation

I have been serving as a member of the Professional Development committee since 2017, and have been acting as co-chair of the committee since 2019. I have also been a presenter at local and national fundraising conferences, so I have a direct understanding of what our speakers will need be successful.

I have enjoyed playing a role in professional development for our Ottawa constituents over the past 3 years. It has been a pleasure to bring quality education to our members and future members of AFP Ottawa. I am keen to play a leadership role on this portfolio and have a greater impact for the fundraisers in our city.

### **Nominated for the position of Chair, Mentorship**

CLAIRE LEWIS, CFRE

Senior Development Officer, Special Projects, Carleton University

Experienced Certified Fund Raising Executive with over 12 years of progressive experience in the non-profit sector. An enthusiastic and self-motivated fundraising professional, skilled in annual giving and major gifts.

Highlights:

- CFRE certified
- Past AFP Ottawa Board Member as Chair of the Education Portfolio from 2015-2017
- Member of various committees

- Current member of the AFP Philanthropy Awards

**Primary reasons I'm interested in joining the AFP Ottawa Chapter Board:**

Providing our sector with the opportunities that I have always benefited from

- It's Fun!
- Great learning opportunity
- Leadership development
- Creating new connections and building new relationships