

Report from the LSPC Nominating Committee

The Committee was comprised of the following members and staff:

1. Paulette Howe – Past President and Chair
2. Marie Klassen – Executive Director, LSPC

The Committee recommends that the following Nominees be elected by the membership as a ‘Director’ on the LSPC Board of Directors for the first year of a 1st Term:

1. **Paul Magiskan**, who stepped in to a vacant position on September 26, 2023
2. **Andrew Mawdryk**
3. **Tracey MacKinnon**
4. **Joanne Noble**
5. **Richard Togman**
6. **Paul Wolfe**

	Directors Continuing to serve in 2024 - 2025	Beginning Date (1stTerm)	Present Term Status	Last eligible year of consecutive 3 Terms
1	Kristine Jardine	1/24/23	Eligible for second year of 1 st Term	2028-2029
2	Lisa Schmidt	9/22/20	Eligible for second year of 2 nd Term	2026-2027
3	Roberta Simpson	6/11/19	Eligible for second year of 3 rd Term	2025-2026
4	Pending			
5	Pending			
6	Pending			
7	Pending			
8	Pending			
9	Pending			
10	Vacant			

“Directors are elected for a 2-year term, and may serve for 3 consecutive 2-year terms. If initially appointed by the Board to fill a vacancy mid-term ** until the next AGM election, that director will begin their 1st term after the AGM with the same limits.”

Thank you to Jillian Gribben who has completed her full 6-year term on the Board.
Thank you to Jase Watford who has resigned from the Board.

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Tracey MacKinnon
pending

Paul Magiskan

Paul Magiskan is the current Director Of Housing at Matawa First Nations and Proud member of Aroland First Nations. As director of Non-Profit Housing he works to ensure that the needs of our people is met at any point of the Housing continuum. Working with LSPC and 211 is a collaboration to show the importance of data to bring meaningful change to our community.

Andrew Mawdryk

Andrew was called to the bar in 2022 and currently practices law at O'Neill Associates, a boutique labour and employment law firm in town that services both employer and employee clients across Northwestern Ontario. In his spare time, Andrew enjoys camping during the summer months and playing hockey throughout the winter.

Before making Thunder Bay his home, Andrew grew up in Quebec where he completed an honours in political science and majored in geography at McGill University.

Andrew came to Thunder Bay to attend Lakehead's Bora Laskin Faculty of Law. During law school, Andrew became involved with several local organizations. He was a member of Bora Laskin's Human Rights Law Club and volunteered as a Pro Bono Canada law student with the Thunder Bay & District Injured Workers Support Group. Andrew also took part in Thunder Bay Counselling's CHOICES program as a table coach for youth in the community.

Prior to law school, Andrew worked as a Camp Director at Camp Amy Molson, a not-for-profit charitable summer camp for children living in vulnerable circumstances. Each summer, Andrew was responsible for ensuring that operations ran smoothly for hundreds of campers and a team of over 75 staff members.

As a resident of Thunder Bay, Andrew is looking to commit to volunteering his time to the betterment of his community by providing his insight and knowledge as an LSPC Board Member.

Joanne Noble

I was born and raised in Mississauga, Ontario. I moved to Thunder Bay in 1995, eventually settling down with my partner, and have two great children. I have a degree in Criminology, Social Work and Teaching. I also have a diploma in American Sign Language. Since living in Thunder Bay, I completed a placement at the United Way where I was a part of the team who worked on development of the 211 system. The United Way put my name forward to be part of Leadership Thunder Bay and I am a long-standing Alumni of that organization. I was on the board of directors of Volunteer Thunder Bay eventually becoming president of the board. Currently, I am actively involved as vice-president for the Lakehead Occasional Teachers and chair of the Political Action Committee. I sit on the Executive of the Thunder Bay District Labour Council, and am the secretary for the Shebandowan Community Centre Board. I have taken many courses and workshops over the years and am currently completing a course in Parliamentary Training through the University of Wisconsin. I am caring, have a wonderful sense, active listener, and involved in the Thunder Bay community.

Dr. Richard Togman

Dr. Richard Togman is the CEO of the Thunder Bay Public Library. His work involves close coordination with the Library Board, building relationships with City Council, growing partnerships with community organizations and managing the operations of the Library system. Previous to his role at the Library, Richard was CEO and Co-Founder of Rent Panda. Rent Panda is a dynamic real estate business focusing on the rental housing sector which encompasses the leading website for rental housing listings, a property management operation, leasing agent services, repairs and renovation division and a paralegal business. Founded in Thunder Bay, Rent Panda currently operates in every major city in Ontario. Richard has won four major business awards including from the Chamber of Commerce, the Northwestern Ontario Innovation Centre and the Northern Ontario Visionary Awards. Before Rent Panda, Richard completed his PhD in political science from the University of British Columbia and taught at Lakehead University. Richard's volunteer experience includes serving on the Board of the Chamber of Commerce, the Board of the Thunder Bay Public Library, as a Director on the City's Committee of Adjustment and Committee of Appeals and on the Crime Prevention Council.

Paul Wolfe

Paul B. Wolfe joins the Board with an interest in living wage and housing affordability. He has also served on the boards of YES Employment Services and Thunder Bay Ventures, contributing to community and economic development. Through his previous involvement with the Thunder Bay Community Foundation he participated in numerous charitable projects and regional initiatives. He is a professional knowledge manager and enjoys kayaking and stand-up comedy.