

## **Slate 2018**

### **Candidates Standing for Election for a Two Year Term**

Hana Macdonald	Term 1, Year 1
Rosemarie Blenkinsop	Term 1, Year 1
Raj Gill	Term 1, Year 1

### **Board Members Standing for Re-Election for a 2 Year Term**

Richard Melville	Term 2, Year 1
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### **Continuing Board Members**

Sue Anne Linde	Term 2, Year 2
Sue Lowell	Term 2, Year 2
Jason Winkler	Term 1, Year 2
Penny Stewart	Term 1, Year 2
Crystaleen O Bray	Term 1, Year 2

### **Board Members Retiring**

Christine Chandler  
Lydia Drasic

## Sunshine Coast Community Services Board Profiles



### **Sue Anne Linde**

Sue Anne's first experience of the Sunshine Coast was when she bought an old cabin in Williamson's Landing near Langdale. That persuaded her and her partner, Hugh Willson, to look for a full-time home in Gibsons when they retired in 2009. The best move they've ever made.

Sue Anne's career spanned over thirty years in advertising and marketing in Vancouver. She held progressive positions with Palmer Jarvis DDB (now DDB Vancouver) over seventeen years. As VP, Account Director, her client list included ICBC and Richmond Savings (now Coast Savings). Subsequently she worked as Director of Marketing for SFU's Business faculty from 2003 to her retirement.

Sue Anne completed her Executive MBA with SFU in 2001, and is currently working on her thesis to earn a Master of Fine Arts in Creative Writing. Sue Anne is currently serving on the Communications and Revenue Development Task Force.



### **Sue Lowell**

Sue is a retired engineer who worked for 30 years in industry in Alberta. The later part of her career was in the areas of regulatory affairs, stakeholder relations and sustainability. Sue and her husband Brad moved to the Sunshine Coast in 2010, and reside in the Middlepoint area.

Prior to moving to British Columbia Sue was an active volunteer with

The YMCA (Board member and facility volunteer) and volunteer driver with the Alberta Cancer Foundation. Since retiring to the coast Sue has become a volunteer with the Sechelt Hospital/ Health Care Auxiliary and Vancouver Coastal Health.

When not busy with her volunteer activities Sue can be found hiking, quilting, knitting, sailing, traveling and enjoying the Sunshine Coast. Sue has served on the Nominations Committee and the Board Development Committee.



### **Richard Melville**

Richard moved to the Sunshine Coast in 2007 settling in Roberts Creek.

He is a graduate of UBC with a BCom in economics. After university he moved to Ottawa working for the National Energy Board in the Economics Branch. After his stint with the government he became a Chartered Accountant working for an international accounting firm. He opened his own private accounting practice specializing in small business and

medical practices. He acted as Director of Finance for BC Biomedical Laboratories Ltd and Dr. C J Coady Associates.

Richard has served on the Boards of St. John Ambulance and the West Vancouver Soccer Association. His volunteer activities on the Sunshine Coast have included Habitat for Humanity, Sunshine Coast Film Society and as an installer for Lifeline.



#### **Jason Winkler**

Jason brings over 25 years of experience in organization transformation and human resource management in North America, Asia and the Middle East. His early career in consulting focused on leadership development working with high technology and federal government clients in Ottawa. He joined Deloitte (Consulting) in 1992 where he progressed to Partner leading client engagements as well as managing the Western Canadian and BC Consulting practices during both economic downturns and periods of significant growth. His clients included a number of BC Government Ministries (Children

& Family Services, Social Services and Environment), crown corporations (BC Hydro, ICBC and BCLDB) as well as other public sector entities in Canada and the US. In the 5 years prior to retiring from Deloitte as the longest serving member of the Executive in 2016, Jason led all human resource functions at Deloitte Canada (over 11,000 employees) with a national team of 200 people. Jason has an MBA from the University of Western Ontario and a Bachelor of Science in Foreign Service from Georgetown University in Washington, D.C. as well as a Certificate in Political Studies from the Institute of Political Studies in Paris, France. He has recently become a member of the Advisory Board for a Silicon Valley social impact start up.



#### **Penny Stewart**

Penny retired 6 years ago from a career in the public service in both Newfoundland and British Columbia. Trained in the health sciences, she spent 28 years working for Health Canada with First Nations communities throughout BC as director of programs including maternal and child health, children and youth, fetal alcohol spectrum disorder, and nutrition. She was also involved in the transition of Programs from Health Canada to the BC First Nations Health Authority. She was introduced to the Sunshine Coast through that work, and made the wise decision to move to Sechelt.

Since retirement, Penny has been active in the Sunshine Coast Spinners and Weavers Guild including a term as President. She also regularly spends time on Granville Island as a working member of the Fibre Arts Studio.



#### **Crystaleen O Bray**

Crystaleen has worked in residential care, recreation and rehabilitation fields for over 10 years. Her portfolio includes a wide variety of populations including chronic disease, mental health, and seniors. Crystaleen's experience in human resources and health sciences has taken her from a Kinesiologist at the Township of Langley to a Disability Management Advisor for the Vancouver Coastal Health Authority.

Crystaleen has attained a Master's Degree in Interdisciplinary Studies, a Graduate Certificate in Strategic Human Resources Management, a Bachelor's Degree in Kinesiology and a Diploma in Sports Science. Her graduate studies are focused in project management, leadership and communications. Crystaleen is also a registered member of the British Columbia Human Resource Management Association (HRMA) and will be writing the CPHR exam in November 2017.

Crystaleen moved to the Sunshine coast in 2008 and was motivated to create positive change and help people in the community. For the past six years she has been a board member for a poverty alleviation charitable group called the *Sunshine Coast Secret Santa*. The purpose of the group is to provide large personalized hampers to a select group of individuals with the hope of positively and profoundly impacting families during the Christmas season.

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#### **Rosemarie Blenkinsop**

Rosemarie started her working career as a professor of French Literature at UBC and subsequently taught at York University in Toronto. After her husband obtained a position at Laurentian University and they moved with their 2 sons to Sudbury, Rosemarie became involved in volunteer work with non-profit organizations and decided on a career change. She obtained a Masters of Business Administration from the University of Toronto and went to work in the non-profit sector.

Her first position after obtaining her MBA was as Executive Director of the Sudbury YWCA whose central program was Geneva House, a shelter for abused women. With the help of the Board, she applied for and obtained funding for 2 child care workers for Geneva House as well as for the construction and operation of an apartment building to serve as second stage housing.

Rosemarie also worked as District Manager for the Office of the Ontario Ombudsman; as assistant to the VP Academic at Laurentian University, assisting in the development of the first collective agreement with the Faculty Association and with the handling of grievances; and as Senior Health Planner for the District Health Council with specific responsibility for primary health care.

As a volunteer, Rosemarie served on several Boards and was a member of the Sudbury Roundtable on Health and the Environment, an organization that was part of the Healthy Communities movement which concerned itself with working on all the determinants of health.

Rosemarie is looking forward to contributing to the very important work that the SCCSS is doing in the community.



**Raj Gill**

Raj Gill is the Director of Prosperity Circles Coaching International and now lives in Sechelt with her husband.

Raj enjoys designing collaborative processes for coaching individuals, groups and families by setting up systems that facilitate personal growth and vision. She is a lifelong learner.

Prior to coaching she spent over 30 years in Health care in positions of management and education.

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**Hana Macdonald**

Hana has worked for RainCity Housing since 2013, both in community outreach and front-line work. She is currently completing her studies at the University of Victoria towards a Bachelor of Social Work degree. Hana believes that social services are an important part of any safe and thriving community, and she is dedicated to contributing to those services to help bring communities together.

Hana moved to the Sunshine Coast in August 2017. As a newcomer to the area, she is dedicated to learning from the thriving community of SCSS. She hopes to

bring a perspective that will represent feminist and anti-oppressive ways of thinking, alongside a restorative justice framework for social programming on the coast.

When not working, studying or volunteering, Hana enjoys outdoor activities, as well as yoga, meditation, cooking and crafting. There is not enough time in the day for all she can get her hands on.