

Bios for Candidates for 2019 Board of Directors

Linda Cocke – nominated by committee

Linda graduated from Winthrop College in 1972 with a BS in Physical Education and taught for three years. In November 1977, she took an administrative job at Clemson University in the Department of Mechanical Engineering and retired from that position in June 2011. Linda is a member of Clemson United Methodist Church and currently does volunteer work with Clemson Community Care and Our Daily Bread Soup Kitchen in Seneca. She co-chaired church bazaar for last 5 years. Linda has previously been on the POA Board 2012-2015, 2017 & 2018, serving as Secretary all six years. She lives on Downs Loop.

Betty Jane Fourspring – nominated by committee

Betty Jane was born in Erie, PA and moved to Seneca SC in 1978. She has 2 sons, 1 daughter, 2 grandsons & 5 granddaughters. Betty Jane worked at Clemson United Methodist Church as Financial Secretary for 31 years. She has lived at the Downs for 16 years and resides on Summer Walk.

Kathy Garton – nominated by committee

Kathie Garton moved to the Downs in 2017 and lives at 330 Kendra Place. She lived in Charlotte and taught kindergarten and pre-school for almost thirty years. She and husband John retired to Pendleton in 2003. She has enjoyed many years of volunteering at the S.C. Botanical Garden and Clemson Montessori School. Kathie enjoys life at the Downs - especially taking part in exercise, Zumba, and yoga classes. She is also a member of the Downs Book Club. She enjoys spending time reading, hiking, knitting, and baking.

Martha Grigsby – nominated by Nancy Bennett

For the past sixteen years, Martha has been a member of the CDPOA and active in the life of the Clemson Downs community. In addition to having served on the CDPOA Board of Directors previously, she has been a member of the Architectural Review Committee, chaired the Welcome Committee, and currently is a member of the Landscape Committee. Also, in the past, she has been a member of the Clemson Downs Volunteers. Raised near Clemson in the mill village of Piedmont and graduated from the local high school, she earned a Bachelor of Arts Degree from Winthrop College and a Master of Education Degree from the University of South Carolina. Martha's professional life began with ten years of teaching in public schools and ended in the area of higher education administration as Vice President of Development at Midlands Technical College in Columbia, South Carolina. As our board membership increases from five to seven members, there could well be five first-time members on the next board. Martha feels that her experiences here at the Downs and during her career will allow her to provide strength to the membership. She wants to work to make our community better and is interested in continuing the homeowner input meetings begun by the current board members. Martha lives on Hickory Way

Karen McAlister – nominated by committee

Karen has lived in the Upstate her entire life. Her parents moved to The Downs in 1994. She moved from Greenville in 2014 to help care for them. This is where she has decided to stay since their deaths because she feels immersed in this community. Karen spent 33 years in the home furnishing industry and was a caregiver for 3 years. Her daughter Brooks Brown and husband Deron live in Nashville with grandchildren Abbey and Trey and dog Cooper. You see Cooper around because he loves to stay in Clemson. Karen lives on Keystone Lane.

Joe Merck – nominated by committee

Since his return to South Carolina in 1965, Marvin-Joe (Joe) Merck has worked assiduously promoting the development of the visual and performing arts in the Upstate, the Clemson area in particular, as a classical dancer, actor, director, painter, and teacher. He is still an active participant in all of these genres. In 2006 Joe was the recipient of the Elizabeth O'Neil Verner Governor's Award for the Arts from then governor Marc Sanford. He has been a resident of The Downs - 23 Downs Loop, "The Gallery" - since 2016. Education: BA - Literature - University of South Carolina, MA - Literature - University of Virginia, MFA - Performance - University of Vermont

Joe feels that, "As a neighbor of Dr. Dixon, one of the progenitors of the Downs, I have followed the progress and development of the Downs from its inception and admired the quiet dignity and subdued elegance of its residents. We should be able to spend our golden years in a Golden Place and now as a resident, I am ready to help maintain and further develop the physical beauty and comfort of the neighborhood. Not only must we keep up, we must stay ahead. There is always more beauty and greater comfort to be attained."

Susan Robinette – nominated by Martha Grigsby

With husband Lamar, Susan owns/resides with their 2 Yorkshire Terriers (Max and Lily) at 1016 Keystone Lane. Originally from Winnetka, IL, she graduated Escola Americana, Sao Paulo, Brazil and Sweet Briar College, VA. Susan then studied Architectural Engineering/Greenville Tech. Former member SC Builder's Association (license expired), realtor (inactive license), former English teacher, she is semi-fluent in Spanish, French, Portuguese. Certified Interior Decorator (C.I.D.), SC Master Gardener, Artist (watercolors/ acrylics), Susan is a member of the Clemson University Women's Club, CUW Book Club, OLLI, Clemson Downs ARC, Corresponding Secretary, Clemson Garden Club. Susan would like to join the POA Board and continue work to maintain the special features and environment of our beautiful Clemson Downs community.

Sandra Waskowski Yates – nominated by Nancy Bennett

As a military "brat" Sandra grew up in many places. She ended up in Southern California where she attended nursing school. Upon graduation Sandra became a United States Naval Officer as a Navy Nurse. Early in her career, she was sent by the Navy to become a Family Nurse Practitioner. She was lucky to be stationed at Bethesda, Maryland; Naples, Italy; San Diego, California; Kaneohe, Hawaii; Long Beach, California; and Charleston, South Carolina. While in Charleston Sandra met a nice fellow from Clemson, South Carolina. They were married in October of 1993 and Sandra retired from the Navy in November of 1993. Clemson/Seneca has been her home for the past 25 years. She was employed by AnMed, Urgent Care in Clemson and Redfern Student Health Center. In the past 25 years she has been involved with several community and civic organizations: Clemson University Woman's Club, Clemson Garden Club, and Clemson Child Development Center. Sandra has held several board positions in all these organizations. Recently her husband, Bill, and she purchased a home in Clemson Downs. Sandra wants to strive to keep Clemson Downs a vital, attractive, and friendly place to live. She believes that being involved as a board member of CDPOA is a responsibility and a privilege.

Proxy

This proxy is solicited on behalf of the Board of Directors for **the Annual Meeting of members to be held at the Corley Center of CARC, Downs Blvd., Clemson, SC on Tuesday, December 4, 2018 at 2:00 p.m.**

Please return this proxy with your preferences in the enclosed self-addressed stamped envelope. A quorum of home- owners is needed to validate the intent of all members. Your response is urgently requested, regardless of how you vote.

Proxy Chairperson, and/or the Proxy Committee, with the power of substitution, are hereby appointed proxies to vote as specified at the above Annual Meeting, or any adjournment thereof, and in their discretion to vote on all other matters as many properly be brought before the meeting. This proxy, when properly executed and returned, will be voted in the manner directed herein. If no direction is made, this proxy will be voted for Proposals 1.

For each item below, one vote is made per property lot.

PROPOSALS

FOR AGAINST ABSTAIN

1. Ratification of the 2019 Budget (attached)

Approved by the Board of Directors

2. Election of Directors

There are six board vacancies to fill for 2019. The Nominating Committee for the Clemson Downs Property Owners Association has recommended the five candidates listed below. Three additional nominations were received from individuals in the POA in response to an invitation by the board to allow a more open election. Biographies of all nominees are attached.

Please vote for a **TOTAL of no more than six candidates** by checking the box next to a candidate's name.

Ballots with more than six votes for board members will not be counted.

Nominated by the Nominating Committee:

- Linda Cocke
- Betty Jane Fourspring
- Kathy Garton
- Karen McAlister
- Joe Merck

Nominated by POA Members:

- Martha Grigsby
- Susan Robinette
- Sandy Yates

3. Amend Bylaws; the board recommends both amendments be approved.

FOR AGAINST ABSTAIN

Bylaws change #1 (attached) addressing the annual meeting and nominating and voting procedures.

Bylaws change #2 (attached) interpreting the covenant restrictions on signage.

Please mail your signed proxy in the enclosed, stamped so it can be received not later than Saturday, December 1, 2018.

Please include the Telephone Directory Listing and Committee Participation Form in the envelope as well.

PLEASE DO NOT REMOVE LABEL FROM THIS FORM.

Signature (owner)

Signature (owner)

Date