



**Manitoba Child Care
Association**

NOMINATIONS TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

A “Call for Applications” to the Board of Directors and Resolutions for AGM 2020 were included in the Winter 2020 Volume 4 issue of *Child Care Bridges*. Applications were evaluated to ensure collective experiences and perspectives reflect the diversity of MCCA’s membership, including that of Child Care Assistant, Early Childhood Educator, Supervisor, Inclusion Facilitator, Executive Director, Family Child Care Provider, Nursery School, Educator/Instructor. We seek applicants who have knowledge in a wide variety of areas important to the governance of MCCA, including financial management; human resources; business; public relations; communications; fundraising; current or former board memberships; political; public speaking; national, rural, and northern child care; and fluency in French.

The following applications to the Board of Directors were received by the closing date of January 31, 2021.

Two Year Term AGM 2021 – AGM 2023

Position: Director of Branch Services
Nominee: Janice Delf

Janice Delf has been a part of Manitoba’s early childhood education community for many years as an ECE, a centre Director and a volunteer. She has been involved with MCCA for the past 22 years as a member of the provincial Board of Directors (already serving two terms as the Director of Branch Services), the Chair of the Central Region Branch and a member of the Public Policy and Professionalism Committee. She graduated from the U of M with a Family Studies Degree and has completed her Day Care Management. Janice has been employed at Westend Day Care for the last 28 years and has met many families, staff members and colleagues during this time. Janice lives in the small rural community of Rathwell with her family, who runs a grain farm. She enjoys cooking, gardening both flowers and vegetables and spending time with her husband and 21-year-old twins.

Position: Director
Nominee: Susana Lam

Susana has been in the early learning and child care profession since 1995. She became an ECE II in 1997 and obtained her ECE III shortly after. She started at Seven Oaks Day Care Centre in 1998 and is currently the Executive Director. For the past 20 plus years, her passion in the field continues to inspire her. She loves the pedagogical journey that her Centre is on. Susana fully believes in the importance of an all-inclusive program where each child has the right to an opportunity to strive to their full potential.

Position: Director
Nominee: Kisa Maclsaac

Kisa is a Métis, a mother of three, an educator, an artist and an advocate/activist for social justice and equality. She completed her Developmental Studies degree in Spring 2021 and has plans to move into a leadership role. Kisa believes that it is her calling to work in the inner city. She has been dedicated to the

same wonderful non-profit early learning and child care program in the beautiful Centennial neighbourhood of Winnipeg since she graduated with her ECE diploma from Red River College in 2005. It is her mission to ensure the highest quality of learning and care for all children and families – to assure programming that is welcoming, flexible, joyful, nurturing and supportive for unique families and seen as a bright light in the community.

Position: Director
Nominee: Barb Carlson

Barb has worked in the early childhood education field for over 40 years and is dedicated to teaching children and adults about nature the benefits of being connected to nature. For the last 19 years, Barb has worked for the University College of the North, teaching the early childhood education diploma program. Barb is a long-time member of MCCA Thompson region. She has delivered professional development workshops as far north as Churchill as well as internationally. Barb has worked as a frontline ECE and Executive Director in both Manitoba and Ontario. She has dedicated her time the profession north of the 53rd parallel.

One Year Term
AGM 2021 – AGM 2022

Position: Member at Large
Nominee: Laureen Brandson

Laureen is the mother of two grown boys, grandmother to one and ECE to hundreds of children over her 34 years in the field. She believes that it has always been easy to work with children, however, working within the “system” is more difficult. She has concerns about the current state of Child Care in Manitoba and wants to be able to guide the profession into a healthy future. Laureen has a degree in Human Ecology, and has been the Assistant Director of Agassiz Child Care for 23 years. She is the Network Leader for the Fort Garry/Fort Richmond Directors group. She has served one term as a Member at Large on MCCA’s provincial Board of Directors.

Position: Member at Large
Nominee: Connie Cava

Connie has worked in early learning and child care for over 30 years in Manitoba. In addition, she has worked in the profession in the United Arab Emirates. Connie returned to Winnipeg after living abroad for 12 years in August 2018. At that time, she took a position with the YMCA-YWCA of Winnipeg as a school age director. She continues to work with the YMCA - YWCA of Winnipeg currently holding the role as Director of the St. James Family Y Child Care preschool and school age program as well as their school age program located in École Robert Browning School.

The following directors will remain on the board to complete their terms:

Caryn LaFlèche	President – 2020-2022
Tracy Cosser	Past President – 2020-2022
Lynda Raible	President Elect – 2020-2022
Cathy Gardiner	Secretary-Treasurer – 2020-2022
Sue Sydorчук	Director of Board Operations – 2020-2022
April Kalyniuk	Director of Public Policy & Professionalism – 2020-2022

Fernanda Hodgson	Director – 2020-2022
Lisa Hrechkosy	Director – 2020-2022
Adam Manicom	Director – 2020-2022
Cheryl Tremblay	Director – 2020-2022

Many thanks to Lois Johnson who has served on MCCA's Provincial Board of Directors since 2012. Over the past 9 years, she held several positions on the board including Member At Large, Director and the Director of Public Policy & Professionalism. Thank you for your enthusiasm and commitment to the Manitoba Child Care Association and we wish you all the best in retirement.

MANITOBA CHILD CARE ASSOCIATION INC.

Annual General Meeting, May 27, 2021

Please complete this form only if you will not be attending the Annual General Meeting

A. ELECTION BALLOT

The following individuals were nominated to the Board of Directors of the Manitoba Child Care Association. Place an "X" beside the name of the persons you vote for.

	Yes	No	Abstain
Janice Delf, Director of Branch Services	_____	_____	_____
Susana Lam, Director	_____	_____	_____
Kisa Maclsaac, Director	_____	_____	_____
Barb Carlson, Director	_____	_____	_____
Laureen Brandson, Member at Large	_____	_____	_____
Connie Cava, Member at Large	_____	_____	_____

B. PROXY FORM

I _____ of _____
(full name) (address)

_____ (city/town), a member of the

Manitoba Child Care Association, hereby appoint Caryn LaFlèche, President **or**

_____ (name of MCCA member who will be in

attendance at the Annual Meeting), to vote on my behalf at the Annual General Meeting.

Dated the _____ day of _____, 2021.

Signature of Voting Member

Membership Number

Ballots and proxies must be deposited to the Recording Secretary of the Manitoba Child Care Association, 2nd Floor, Royal Bank Building, 2350 McPhillips St., Winnipeg, MB R2V 4J6 or Fax 1-204-589-5613 by 4:00 p.m. by May 21, 2021.