

## 2019 Nomination Report

There are 4 Board of Director positions scheduled for election during the 2019 Annual General Meeting. In addition, a vacancy on the Board of Directors has been filled since the last AGM. In accordance with Bylaw 5.15 (a), the members will need to approve the appointment by Ordinary Resolution.

### DIRECTOR-AT-LARGE APPOINTED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The Board of Directors appointed Mandy Curtis to fill a vacancy left by the resignation of Disa Fladmark.



#### Mandy Curtis

Mandy became involved with the Kamloops Sunrays over 7 years ago when her daughter joined the recreational program. A year later, she volunteered for Club President. She went on to achieve her Level 1 judge's training and recently completed her Level 2 certification. During her tenure, the Kamloops executive team has worked hard to stabilize the club and create a foundation of programming for recreation, provincial and, the newly established, national streams.

Privately, Mandy works full-time as the Marketing Director for Kelson Group Property Management who operate over 4,000 apartments between British Columbia and Alberta, in 10 different cities. She is a certified Accounting Technician and Graphic Designer.

In her spare time, you can find Mandy camping with friends, travelling with her family or reading a good book beach side.

### 2019 ELECTION

The positions scheduled for election are:

- Vice-President
- 3x Director-at-Large (2-year terms)

While nominations will be accepted from the floor in accordance with Synchro BC's Nomination Policy and Procedures, the following individuals have been nominated in advance of the meeting and have demonstrated that they meet the established criteria:

## VICE-PRESIDENT



### **Rhonda Vanderfluit**

Rhonda has been involved in aquatic sports since she was a child growing up in Saskatchewan and British Columbia, competing in both synchronized swimming and water polo. She continued to compete in both sports throughout her university years later graduating to Vancouver Masters Synchro in 2000, where she continues to swim as a competitive Masters' athlete today.

Rhonda is also a coach, and an active board member with Vancouver Masters. Most notably, she is the proud mom of a former national stream athlete, who was selected to BC's 2019 Canada Winter Games Team and now competes in the Canadian University Artistic Swimming League for UBC while also giving back as a coach with Pacific Wave Synchro.

Rhonda is a family physician in Vancouver, practicing at Bayswater Family Practice. She is also actively involved with the Youth Parliament of BC Alumni Society in numerous board positions. Rhonda has been a Director on the Synchro BC Board since 2014 and has served as Vice-President since being appointed to fill a vacancy in 2017. She also sits on the Executive and Governance Committees and was a member of the Local Organizing Committee for the 2018 Synchro Canada World Series and Espoir National Championships.

## DIRECTORS-AT-LARGE



### **Marina Chekunova**

Marina has been an ESL teacher for the last 14 years and has been an instructor at Coquitlam College since moving to British Columbia in 2014.

She became acquainted with the beautiful sport of synchronized swimming when her daughter, Alex, became interested in the sport six years ago. When her daughter joined the Burnaby Caprice Synchronized Swimming Club, Marina joined the Club Executive, and her learning of the sport and the way it is organized and managed began. Step by step, she learned about rules and regulations, discovered the challenges, and looked for ways to overcome them. She is constantly looking for more ideas and solutions from all over the world to compare the way this sport is developing in different countries.

Marina appreciates the opportunity to volunteer at meets and enjoys watching the judges at work, and the athletes growing and developing.



**Elise Fagnan**

Elise Fagnan is a Competition Development Certified coach with a diploma in Kinesiology. She recently completed her Bachelor of Nursing Degree at UBC and now works at the BC Children’s Hospital.

Elise has coached at all levels of the sport, including recreational, provincial stream, national stream, and masters’ as well as at the BC Summer Games. She competed with Vancouver Pacific Wave for ten years and currently competes as a competitive Masters athlete for Vancouver Masters Synchro. Elise competed at the 2019 Canadian Masters Championships in Quebec City in the Duet events and won a

Gold medal with her team in the Combo event.

Elise has been a member of the on the Synchro BC Board since 2015 and is currently a member of the Governance & Nominations Committee. She has also previously served as Chair of the Sport Development Committee.



**Carol Stewart**

Carol Stewart has been involved in synchronized swimming for over 30 years, as a parent, club executive, meet manager, official (judge and referee) at provincial and national meets.

She is well known as Synchro BC's Chief Referee, serving in that capacity at most Synchro BC meets. Now retired from a long career in human resources with the provincial government, Carol is currently Synchro BC's longest serving Director. She is also a member of the Officials, Human Resources and Adaptive Synchro Committees and served as the interim Director of Finance from 2017-2018.