



Director Nominations 2026

Stephen Jarrett (Year 1 of Term 3)
Retired Lawyer

Stephen spent the last 16 years of his career as in-house legal counsel at Western University, overseeing a myriad of legal issues ranging from governance to student discipline to corporate finance. He is a former board member of the Canadian University Insurance Exchange and currently sits on the board of LARGnet, a not for profit providing internet bandwidth to municipal, educational and health care institutions in the London Region. He enjoys hiking, biking, cross country skiing and canoeing. He is a member of Nature London and an enthusiastic participant in the Swift Monitoring Program.

Kathleen Buck (Year 1 of Term 2)
Species at Risk Specialist, Ontario Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks

Kathleen is a Species at Risk Specialist with the Ontario Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks. She formerly worked as a biologist with the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry and as a fisheries biologist with the Department of Fisheries and Oceans Canada. Kathleen also holds a Bachelor of Environmental Studies from the University of Waterloo. She grew up on a dairy farm in Oxford County and now lives in London with her husband and two young children. In her spare time, Kathleen can be found hiking or canoeing, cozying up with a good book or playing board games, travelling, and spending time with family and friends.

Geof Kime (Year 1 of Term 2)
Entrepreneur – KimeView Innovations

Geof has been a professional engineer for over 30 years with a degree in Mechanical Engineering from Queen's University. He grew up on a farm near Ilderton Ontario where he participated in 4H. Geof has pursued a variety of entrepreneurial endeavours including developing hemp, flax and other biomass materials for applications in automotive, agricultural and sustainable fashion products. He spent his early career with Big O Inc. designing patented equipment for making plastic drainage pipe. Geof has participated as a board member and advisor on numerous bio-materials industry organizations, as a hockey coach/trainer for his two sons and as a Trustee for the London Waldorf School. Geof is a passionate gardener, enjoys spending time outdoors and loves listening to and playing music.

James Handyside (Year 1 of Term 1)

Retired Healthcare Consultant; currently Hobby Ecologist and Farmer

James has retired from a career in safety and quality improvement in the healthcare sector. He started out in the field of ergonomics with a BSc in Human Kinetics and went on to form a successful consulting practice while also engaged in farming and restoration ecology at his farm north of Lucan since 1987. With wife Janette, he recently formed a Conservation Easement Agreement with TTLT at SpringRush Farm. He is active on the board of the Elgin Middlesex Woodland Association and supports the sustainable integration of farming, woodlands and wetlands. James also sings and plays blues harmonica in a band.

Susan Easterbrook (Year 1 of Term 1)

Lawyer, Susan Easterbrook Professional Corporation

Susan has been a lawyer for over 36 years and provides estate litigation, mediation and estate administration services for her clients. She is a graduate of the University of Windsor (B.Comm (Hons.), MBA, LLB), has extensive board experience with charitable and non-profit community organizations and looks forward to contributing to the ongoing conservation and protection efforts of the TTLT. In her spare time, Susan enjoys hiking, eco-adventure travels, yoga and art lessons.

Gillian Walmsley (Year 1 of Term 1)

Homesteader, Educator, Senior Capital Markets Professional

Gillian was raised on a dairy farm in the north of England and now lives on a small homestead in rural Southwest Middlesex, not far from Skunk's Misery. She holds degrees from Western, Queen's and McGill, and recently returned to Canada after an almost twenty-year career in international capital markets in London, UK. At the London Stock Exchange, Gillian headed the Group's UK fixed income and listed products markets and led the launch of several key market development initiatives. Gillian is also a qualified teacher and currently teaches as an Occasional French Teacher in rural elementary schools in the TVDSB. Gillian is particularly interested in education, outreach, and responsible stewardship of rural land.