



Board of Directors Nominees

The Ice Age Trail Alliance's Leadership Development and Executive committees recommend the following candidates for election at the 2017 Annual Membership Meeting (April 29, Avalon Hotel & Conference Center, Chippewa Falls, WI) to terms on the Alliance's Board of Directors:

New director-nominees

Carol Mueller (Madison, WI; Region 2) is retired from a career in business and education. She earned her B.A. from the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point and taught music in the public school system for 11 years. In 1996 she received an Executive MBA from the University of Wisconsin-Madison. Carol held a number of positions with GEMPLER's and eventually became COO of Duluth Trading Company. She retired in 2010. An Alliance member since 2002, Carol is an avid hiker, biker, gardener, and dancer.

Current directors recommended for re-election

Jan Froelich (Verona, WI; Region 2) is a certified public accountant and partner at Johnson Block & Company, an auditing firm with offices in Madison, Mineral Point, Dodgeville and Viroqua. She specializes in nonprofit audits, reviews, and form preparation. Jan is a graduate of the University of Wisconsin-Madison with a B.S. in accounting. She has been an Alliance member since 2008 and is an avid Ice Age Trail hiker.

Robert Melzer (Sheboygan, WI; Region 1) is an attorney with Rohde Dales LLP, where he has been a partner since 1977. His practice is concentrated in the formation and operation of family businesses, which includes corporate governance, business planning and succession planning. Robert has served on the Lakeland University Board of Trustees for over 30 years and formerly served on the Wisconsin Maritime Museum board. An Alliance member since 2010, Robert enjoys sailing, skiing cross-country and downhill, snorkeling and scuba diving, and hiking.

Nancy Schuster (Chippewa Falls, WI; Region 3) is retired from a career in education, having specialized in working with gifted and talented students. Nancy has been an Alliance member since 1996 and an active volunteer with the Chippewa Moraine Chapter since 2002. She has a wide range of volunteer experience that includes involvement with the Lake Wissota Improvement and Protection Association, American Cancer Society Relay for Life, American Red Cross and the Chippewa County free medical clinic. In addition to those activities Nancy enjoys travel, hiking, and reading.

Recently appointed directors (not up for election)

Debbie Cervenka (Duluth, MN; Region 3) is retired from a career in business. She was part of Phillips Plastics Corporation for 34 years, serving as Executive Vice President. Debbie has dedicated the past 15 years to nonprofit work, including leadership positions for The Nature Conservancy, the University of Wisconsin School of Veterinary Medicine Board of Visitors, and Ecumen. In 2014 Debbie was recognized with the Oakleaf Award, the Nature Conservancy's highest volunteer honor. *Debbie was appointed to an open seat at the Board of Director's November 12, 2016 meeting. She will stand for election at the Alliance's 2019 Annual Membership Meeting.*

Danny Tang (Madison, WI; Region 2) is an attorney at Godfrey & Kahn, S.C. He earned his law degree from the University of Wisconsin-Madison. At Godfrey & Kahn Danny has worked on numerous matters for Alliance, most of which consisted of documenting easements or assisting with conveyances of property to the IATA. Through such work Danny has gained an understanding of Alliance's mission and a strong respect for the work the Alliance does to conserve the natural environment. *Danny was appointed to an open seat at the Board of Director's July 23, 2016 meeting. He will stand for election at the Alliance's 2019 Annual Membership Meeting.*

As an Ice Age Trail Alliance member, by **February 15th** you may submit to the Alliance additional nominations for directors by petition bearing the signatures of at least 25 Alliance members. The names of those proposed for election to the board either by the Leadership Development and Executive committees or by petition will be sent to all members in the Spring 2017 issue of *Mammoth Tales* (mailing ~March 10th) as part of the official Annual Meeting Notice.