

2022 ELECTION FOR THE CITIZENS NOMINATING COMMITTEE

November 15, 2022 In-Person Voting at Scarsdale Public Library 7AM-9:30AM, 2PM-9PM

OR BY MAIL-IN BALLOT Instructions Enclosed

VOTING DISTRICT	EDGEWOOD (VOTE FOR UP TO 2)	FOX MEADOW (VOTE FOR UP TO 2)	GREENACRES (VOTE FOR UP TO 2)	HEATHCOTE (VOTE FOR UP TO 3)	QUAKER RIDGE (VOTE FOR UP TO 3)
Candidates for 2022-2023 CNC Class of 2025	•Daniel Besikof •Liang (Leon) Xin	•Jill Spielberg •Laura Thierer	•Emily Finn •Zhendi Shi	•Thomas Dundon •Amy Frank •Rachel Zolot Schwartz	•Alex Forschner •Aubrey Claude Phillibert II •Jessica Weintrob
Current CNC Members	2023 Laurie Medvinsky 2023 Richard Wingate 2024 William McInerney 2024 Raju Sitaula	2023 Kay Eisenman 2023 Heath Sroka 2024 Lynne Clarke 2024 Scott Harris	2023 Mary Pat Jones 2023 Jared Stern 2024 Ralph Geer 2024 Elaine Weir	2023 Lynn Badain 2023 Vacancy 2024 Manisha Marria 2024 Marjorie Meiman	2023 Vacancy 2023 Matthew Zik 2024 David Glattstein 2024 Rohini Sahni

THE NON-PARTISAN SYSTEM

Scarsdale's Non-Partisan System promotes the election of candidates who are qualified by reason of their civic rather than political abilities and experience. Village residents elect a Citizens Nominating Committee (CNC), which in turn selects a slate of candidates for the village offices of trustee, mayor and village justice. The system encourages the active participation of all residents. The Non-Partisan System is financed entirely by community support. To donate, send a check to The Procedure Committee, P.O. Box 284, Scarsdale, NY 10583 or visit www.scarsdaleprocedurecommittee.org

THE STRUCTURE OF THE NON-PARTISAN SYSTEM

The Non-Partisan System is governed by the Non-Partisan Resolution that creates its structure: a Procedure Committee to administer the CNC election, a Citizens Nominating Committee to nominate candidates to stand for election to village office, and a campaign committee of the Scarsdale Citizens' Non-Partisan Party formed by volunteers to advance the slate.

THE ELECTION SCHEDULE OF THE NON-PARTISAN SYSTEM

September: The Procedure Committee invites all residents to propose candidates for the Citizens Nominating Committee. With certain exceptions listed in the Non-Partisan Resolution, anyone who (i) is eighteen or older, (ii) a U.S. citizen, (iii) has been a resident of Scarsdale for at least 2 years before Election Day, and (iv) has 10 supporting signatures, can run for a seat on the CNC.

November: Election for the Citizens Nominating Committee is held. Candidates run for each of 2 annual vacant seats as representatives of their elementary school district for three-year terms. From time to time, vacancies arise that create additional open seats for one-year or two-year terms on the CNC.

December/January: The CNC solicits community input and nominates candidates for village office. Anyone can submit a candidate's name to the CNC.

March: Elections for village office are held.

WHY SCARSDALE HAS A NON-PARTISAN SYSTEM

The system belongs to everyone: There is no party registration requirement. Any Scarsdale resident is automatically a member of the Non-Partisan System. **Anyone can propose a candidate's name for village office to the CNC:** Candidates are typically proposed by neighbors or fellow community volunteers who respect the candidate's judgment and value the candidate's history of involvement in village affairs. **Candidates are free of special interest lobbying:** Candidates are not beholden to special interests or parties, and the pool of people the system can tap is larger than a party-based system. Elected officials' positions are derived by listening to community residents, gathering all available information, and using good judgment to determine what is in the best interests of the village as a whole. **The system taps a wide range of talent and experience:** Village trustees traditionally serve for no more than two 2-year terms; the village mayor traditionally serves one 2-year term. Shorter terms allow a greater number of residents to participate in the system.

This Non-Partisan System was developed as a response to several contentious partisan campaigns for village office between the Republican and Democratic committees many years ago. Under the Non-Partisan System, Scarsdale has enjoyed good, honest government for more than a century as one of the few municipalities in New York State with the stand-alone AAA credit rating.

Non-Partisan Government, Good Government, Honest Government

CANDIDATES FOR THE CITIZENS NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Biographical data in this brochure are based on information submitted by the candidates.

EDGEWOOD (Vote for Up to 2)

Daniel Besikof: 142 Madison Road

Years of Residency: 9

Occupation: Attorney/Partner: Loeb & Loeb LLP

Education: Brooklyn Law School, JD, 2004; University of Madison Wisconsin, BS, 2000

Civic Activities in Scarsdale: Edgewood Girls' Basketball Coach, 2015-2019; Scarsdale Little League Coach, 2015-present; Volunteer at Edgewood School; Volunteer for Scarsdale Little league

Professional Activities: Bankruptcy and restructuring partner at Loeb & Loeb LLP (2014-present); Chair, American Bankruptcy Institute Business Reorganization Committee (2018-2020); Member, Brooklyn Law School Zaretsky Roundtable Steering Committee (2014-present); Guest Lecturer, Luiss University (Rome)

Liang (Leon) Xin: 166 Clarence Road

Years of Residency: 7

Occupation: Asset Allocator, Risk Manager at various asset managers since 2006, most recently Point72

Education: University of Illinois at Chicago, MS, 2005; Nankai, China, BS, 2001

Civic Activities in Scarsdale: Volunteer to help community and hospital fight Covid, 2020

Professional Activities: Member of CFA Institute and CFA Charterholder

FOX MEADOW (Vote for Up to 2)

Jill Spielberg: 40 Ogden Road

Years of Residency: 12

Occupation: Attorney, Director and Partner-in-charge, Matrimonial and Family Law Practice, Abrams Fensterman, LLP

Education: Brooklyn Law School, JD, 2005; Colgate University, BA, 2002; Scarsdale HS, 1998

Civic Activities in Scarsdale: Scarsdale Forum, Co-Chair Scarsdale Electoral Process Committee, 2017 – 2019; Scarsdale Forum, Co-Chair Membership Committee 2019 – 2020; Westchester Reform Temple, parent volunteer, 2013 – 2018; Procedure Committee, 2018; SCNP Campaign Committee Member, 2018-2022; Citizens Nominating Committee, Committee Member, 2018 – 2020; Citizens Nominating Committee, Chairperson 2021

Professional Activities: C.H.I.L.D, Fox Meadow representative; C.H.I.L.D Out-of-district representative 2018 – present; USA500 Club, member, host and social chair of WP1 Chapter, 2017 – present; New York State Bar Association, Family Law Section, member

Laura Thierer: 50 Popham Road **Years of Residency:** 5

Occupation: Real Estate Agent, Oxford Property Group

Education: Escuela Superior de Hoteleria, Specialization in Hotel Management, 2005; Universidad Argentina de la Empresa 2003, (4-year undergraduate equivalent)

Civic Activities in Scarsdale: Volunteer: Quaker Ridge School PTA, Child Representative; Citizens Nominating Committee Fox Meadow representative, 2021-2022

Professional Activities: Member of the Hudson Gateway Association of Realtors

GREENACRES (Vote for Up to 2)

Emily Finn: 14 Colvin Road

Years of Residency: 4

Occupation: Product Management, Gartner

Education: New York University, MBA, 2008; Tufts University, BS, 2004

Zhendi Shi: 5 Gilmore Court

Years of Residency: 7

Occupation: Senior Project Manager, Shearman and Sterling

Education: Texas A&M University, Master's in Public Administration, 2006; Fudan University

Civic Activities in Scarsdale: Artful Looking Volunteer 2016-2021; Greenacres Multi-cultural Fair Co-Chair, 2018; Greenacres Fifth-Grade Co-Chair, 2022

Professional Activities: Previously served as Project manager, Deutsche Bank, 2006-2014

HEATHCOTE (Vote for Up to 3)

Thomas Dundon: 17 Dunham Road

Years of Residency: 6

Occupation: Managing Director, Bank of America Global Corporate and Investment Banking

Education: University of Chicago Graduate School of Business, MBA, 2007; University of California, Santa Cruz, BA, 1999

Civic Activities in Scarsdale: Active Parent volunteer for RowAmerica

Professional Activities: Cycle for Survival, Bank of America team captain; Fulbright Scholar, Cairo, Egypt, 1999-2000

Amy Frank: 9 Burgess Road

Years of Residency: 13

Occupation: Homemaker

Education: University of Maryland, BS, 1990

Civic Activities in Scarsdale: Heathcote PTA president, 2011-2012; Heathcote Carnival Chair, 2013, 2014, 2015; Heathcote Lunch Chair, 2011-2019; Maroon and White, Member 2019-present; Maroon and White, Co-President, 2022-2023; Pleasantville Cottages, Volunteer

Professional Activities: Professional experience as Garment Center Sales Representative

Rachel Zolot Schwartz: 2 Lincoln Road

Years of Residency: 5

Occupation: Vice President Business Development, Volastra Therapeutics

Education: New York University, MBA, 2010; University of Pennsylvania, BA, 2005

Civic Activities in Scarsdale: UJA Event Chair, 2021-present

Professional Activities: University of Pennsylvania Alumni Interviewing Committee, 2019-present; University of Pennsylvania Life Sciences Management Program Guest Lecturer and Advisor, 2020-present; Chair of Business Development Committee, Jaguar Therapeutics, 2022- present

QUAKER RIDGE (Vote for Up to 3)

Alex Forschner: 6 Springdale Road **Years of Residency:** 9

Occupation: Head of Business Development, Exome Asset Management

Education: University of Arizona, BS, 2005

Civic Activities in Scarsdale: Board Member of Scarsdale Concours D'Elegance, 2014 – Present; Tee Ball Coach, 2015 – 2018; Assistant Flag Football Coach, 2017- 2022

Professional Activities: Former Board Observer to Virtual Health Partners and Jewish Community Center in Tucson, AZ

Aubrey Claude Phillibert II: 11 Colonial Road **Years of Residency:** 5

Occupation: Vice President of Real Estate Management, FirstService Residential, Inc.

Education: Duke University, American Economics Association, National Science Foundation Award Scholar, 2005; University of Massachusetts, Commonwealth Honors College, BS Departmental honors in Economics, *Summa Cum Laude*, 2005; Scarsdale High School, 1999

Civic Activities in Scarsdale: Advisory Council on Human Relations, 2021/2022-present

Professional Activities: People Council on Diversity Equity and Inclusion, FirstService Residential, Inc, 2021 – present; Integral in the development of the DEI road map for fifteen thousand employees nationwide.

Jessica Weintrob: 209 Rock Creek Lane **Years of Residency:** 9

Occupation: Literacy Tutor 2018 – present; Over 15 years retail and online marketing experience including positions of Director of Retail Marketing and E-commerce for Disney Stores and Director of Online Marketing for Barnes & Noble.com

Education: Long Island University, MS.Ed, Childhood Education/Special Education, 2019; University of Pennsylvania, BA, 1996

Civic Activities in Scarsdale: Quaker Ridge Elementary School PTA: Fifth Grade Yearbook Chair 2020-2021; Center for Innovation Chairperson 2018 – 2020; Learning From our Differences Chairperson 2016-2018; Learning to Look Volunteer 2013-2017

Professional Activities: New York State Certified Teacher Childhood Education and Students with Disabilities

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE NON-PARTISAN RESOLUTION

In accordance with the Non-Partisan Resolution (NPR) governing Scarsdale's non-partisan system, the Procedure Committee (PC) recommends the following amendments to the NPR for ratification by Scarsdale voters in the CNC election on Tuesday, November 15, 2022. The entire text of the NPR, marked to indicate the proposed amendments as approved by the PC, is posted on the PC's website at www.scarsdaleprocedurecommittee.org. Amendment ballots can also be downloaded from www.scarsdaleprocedurecommittee.org and mailed together with the candidate ballot in accordance with the Instructions for Mail-In Ballot herein.

Substantive Amendments:

Proposed Amendment No. 1 - Article I, Section 1.2

Changes the definition of "qualified voter" to permit non-U.S. citizen Scarsdale residents to participate on the CNC.

Proposed Amendment No. 2 - Article II, Section 2.2(d)

Allows the Procedure Committee to be comprised of anywhere from 7 to 11 appointed members as opposed to being required to have 11 appointed members.

Proposed Amendment No. 3 - Article II, Section 2.4

Permits virtual and hybrid in-person and virtual meetings.

Proposed Amendment No. 4 - Article V, Section 5.5(c)

Allows the CNC, by majority vote, to keep a member on the CNC who has missed 2 meetings.

Proposed Amendment No. 5 - Article V, Section 5.9

Allows CNC meetings to be less than 72 hours apart under extenuating circumstances.

Proposed Amendment No. 6 - Article V, Section 5.21

Takes out the requirement to distribute candidate information 5 days before a CNC meeting.

Proposed Amendment No. 7 - Article IX, Section 9.3

Reduces the period for public comment on Resolution amendments from 90 days to 60 days.

Non-Substantive Amendments:

Proposed Clarification Amendment No. 1 This change to 2.3 and 5.4 clarifies the list of organizations in which a member of the PC or CNC may not simultaneously serve or be eligible for service on.

Proposed Clarification Amendment No. 2 This change to 3.3 clarifies that vacancies on the CNC must be confirmed at the time candidates are invited to run for the CNC.

Proposed Clarification Amendment No. 3 Provides for consistent references to, and numbering of, sections of the Resolution.

Proposed Clarification Amendment No. 4 Corrects grammar and syntax to promote comprehension of provisions, and changes to the use of gender-neutral language.

Proposed Clarification Amendment No. 5 Removes inconsistent terminology to improve the plain meaning of the Resolution.

Proposed Clarification Amendment No. 6 Where a deadline is not fixed, flexibility is given for compliance to occur "as soon as is practicable." In references to sequence of events, refers to chronological order.

Proposed Clarification Amendment No. 7 Where action by a member of an organization is involved, the phrase "then serving" is inserted to clarify that the member is currently serving in the position.

Proposed Clarification Amendment No. 8 In references to communications, permits both written communication and the use of electronic communication via digital platforms.

QUESTIONS ABOUT THE CNC ELECTION? **CONTACT PROCEDURE COMMITTEE CHAIR** **Michelle Sterling at michellesterling1@gmail.com or** **Vice Chair Peri Zelig at perizelig@gmail.com**

The members of the Procedure Committee are residents from each of Scarsdale's five elementary school neighborhoods: Christian Callaghan, Susan Douglass, Madelaine Eppenstein, Carly Grossberg, Elena Kanner, Jon Krisbergh, Liz Lashbrook, Barry Meiselman, BK Munguia, Abigail Sterling Olsen, Camille Roche, Emily Shteinhauz, Ilissa Siegel, Michelle Sterling, Peri Zelig.

The Non-Partisan System and the administration of this election are financed entirely by community support. Donations of any amount are greatly appreciated. Please donate either online with Paypal at www.scarsdaleprocedurecommittee/donate.org or by mailing a check to P.O. Box 284, Scarsdale, NY 10583. Thank you for your support!

2022 CITIZENS NOMINATING COMMITTEE ELECTION INSTRUCTIONS FOR MAIL-IN BALLOT

Vote in-person at the Scarsdale Library OR by Mail-in Ballot in 2022

1. Eligibility to vote by mail: You must be: **(i)** eighteen years or older, **(ii)** a U.S. citizen, and **(iii)** a resident of Scarsdale for at least 30 days before **Election Day, Tuesday, November 15, 2022**. You do not need to be a registered voter. If not voting in person, tear out and use this Brochure's form **or** download the Mail-In Ballot and instructions from the Procedure Committee at www.scarsdaleprocedurecommittee.org.
2. The Mail-In Ballot is a one page listing of candidates AND an amendment ballot: Please vote **ONLY** for candidates in your Election Unit (your elementary school district). Voting for more than the number of open seats in your Election Unit, or for candidates in another Election Unit, or for candidates in multiple Election Units will invalidate your vote. Please vote YES or NO for each of the proposed amendments to the Non-Partisan Resolution.
3. After you have marked the Mail-In Ballot, please take **ALL** of the following steps:
 - a. **DO NOT SIGN THE COMPLETED BALLOT.**
 - b. Place your completed Mail-In Ballot in a plain envelope and seal it. **DO NOT SIGN OR MARK** the plain envelope in any way to ensure the privacy of your vote.
 - c. Address a second larger envelope to: **Procedure Committee, P.O. Box 284, Scarsdale, NY 10583**. In the upper left-hand corner of the envelope, write your return address. Please include your **name, full address and elementary school district** (Edgewood, Fox Meadow, Greenacres, Heathcote or Quaker Ridge) to validate your eligibility to vote.
 - d. Put the unmarked envelope containing the Mail-In Ballot inside the larger addressed envelope.
 - e. Seal the addressed envelope and sign the seal legibly. Your signature certifies that: **(i)** you are eligible to vote (see criteria at the top of this page) and that **(ii)** you have not already voted in the election by Mail-In Ballot.
 - f. Mail the envelope with sufficient postage, and several days in advance so that it is received by the Procedure Committee at the Chase Road Post Office no later than 4 p.m. on the day of the Citizens Nominating Committee Election – November 15, 2022. **To ensure timely mailbox receipt please allow ample time for Post Office delivery.**
4. If two or more people are voting from the same address, each voter should mail their Mail-In Ballot separately. Multiple ballots in a single envelope will be invalidated.
5. Voters may make additional copies of this Brochure's blank Mail-In Ballot for Citizens Nominating Committee form for each person voting in their household, as long as each person's ballot is mailed separately per instruction above.

THE PROCEDURE COMMITTEE
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Scarsdale, New York 10583

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November 15, 2022**

**TIME VALUE
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Tuesday, November 15, 2022 In-Person at the Scarsdale Library
7 AM – 9:30 AM and 2PM – 9PM, OR by Mail-In Ballot**

WHO CAN VOTE IN 2022: You must be: (i) eighteen years or older, (ii) a U.S. citizen, and (iii) a resident of Scarsdale for at least 30 days before Election Day, November 15, 2022. You do not need to be a registered voter.

MAIL-IN BALLOTS: Any qualified voter may vote by mail. The mail-in Citizens Nominating Committee candidate ballot is enclosed in this Election Brochure. You may also download the entire mail-in ballot which includes the amendments to the NPR from the Procedure Committee website www.scarsdaleprocedurecommittee.org.

Mail-in ballots must be mailed to the Procedure Committee, P.O. Box 284, Scarsdale NY 10583 and **must be received** at the Scarsdale Chase Road US Post Office before 4 PM on Election Day, Tuesday, November 15, 2022.

**To ensure timely receipt of your ballot, allow ample time for postal delivery
PLEASE SUPPORT YOUR NON-PARTISAN SYSTEM
VOTE TO MAKE A POSITIVE DIFFERENCE**