

## 2021-22 RSCA Nominee Slate

As per the RSCA bylaws (section 4.3.4), a nominating committee of two directors and one member of the community has put forth the following slate of nominees to fill the eight director positions on the board:

### **Tamara Lewis – President**

Tamara has lived in Riverside South since 2015. She is a senior financial analyst at an international law firm where she has worked for 23 years. She has enjoyed volunteering at previous RSCA Christmas Events and Canada Day celebrations and was RSCA vice president this last year and looks forward to the potential return of the usual events and initiatives in 2021-22.

### **Kevin McGowan – Vice-President**

Kevin has lived in Riverside South since 2005 and has spent much time volunteering as a Beaver Leader, soccer and t-ball coach, and has even organized Pokemon tournaments for neighbourhood kids. A project manager (PMP) in the non-profit sector, Kevin currently works with St. John Ambulance, managing a national program to educate Canadians about opioids and how to save people from overdose — with a particular focus on underserved communities. By joining the RSCA, he hopes to use his energy and skills to help plan activities and continue building community spirit.

### **Atif Rashid – Treasurer**

Atif has lived in Riverside South since 2018 with his wife and two children. He graduated from Saint Mary's University with an MBA and CPA designation. Atif works as a Financial Reporting Analyst at DND and is responsible for day-to-day financial reporting and analysis. Atif was the RSCA treasurer in 2018-2019 and rejoined the board in 2020. He is an active volunteer and parent council member at one of our local schools.

### **Sacha Saroop – Secretary**

Sacha has been living in Riverside South for over five years and loves everything about the neighbourhood. She is married to her wonderful husband, Luis, and they have a 2-year-old daughter, Madison. She is thankful for our public parks to keep her little one busy. Sacha currently works full-time at Shopify, an e-commerce company, managing a team whose job is to keep Shopify and its users safe. She is excited to meet our community members!

### **Lynn Vanasse – Communications Director**

Lynn and her husband Mark have lived in Riverside South since 2004. She was the co-owner of a sign company for 11 years and is currently working as a graphics tech and office administrator. Lynn has been an active volunteer at a local elementary school and is currently serving her 5th term as the chair of its parent council. She was the VP and Comms Director of the RSCA in 2017 and returned to the RSCA as Comms Director in 2020 and is looking forward to continuing to help the RSCA fulfil their mandate.

### **Lesia Gilbert – Events Director**

Lesia moved to Riverside South with her husband Mike in 2007, at which time she joined the RSCA as the volunteer coordinator. Over the last 14 years, she has also held positions as Treasurer and Events Director (often more than one position at a time). She is a CPA with her own business and enjoys interacting with the community professionally and personally through her volunteering. She has three amazing kids and is looking forward to continuing to run the events in Riverside South.

### **Andrew Latty – Local Businesses & Sponsorship Director**

Andrew has been a resident of Riverside South since 2009. He has been an active member of the Riverside South business community. He ran the former Sweat Shoppe located at Limebank and Spratt and is currently a real estate sales representative.

### **Alexander Coakley – Volunteer Director**

Alexander has lived in Riverside South since 2012, attending St. Francis Xavier High School and then graduating from Algonquin College's Police Foundations program. First joining the community association in early 2020, Alexander has been working on behind-the-scenes systems for volunteering to help run events once possible. In 2021, Alex used these platforms to help organize volunteers for events like the Toy Mountain drive, Labour Day Fireworks and the Spring Clean Up. Alexander hopes to eventually become a police officer — volunteering within the community as a member of the RSCA is a part of gaining the experience he is looking to attain.