



Willow Glen
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Call for Candidates

Giving and Being Selfish

Unlike business, Government and many nonprofits, WGNA is fueled by donated passion and a bit of healthy well balanced selfishness. Yes, selfishness. Caring and helping other does more than improve your world--it makes you feel better. WGNA is about community; protecting, enhancing and shaping it's growth for the benefit of all. How can this not be a wee bit selfish?

Call for Candidates

It is time to begin the annual process of identifying volunteers for the next WGNA Board, which will be elected in May. In accordance with the By-laws, a five-member Nominating Committee solicits members who are interested in serving on the Board of Directors.

WGNA By-laws stipulate that Officers of the Association (President, 1st Vice President, 2nd Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer) must be members of WGNA for at least one year prior to the May election, and can serve for only two consecutive years in any one office. Besides the officers, four Directors and next year's Nominating Committee are elected. The Directors and Nominating Committee do not have term limits, but typically there is a good mix between new and experienced members of the Board.

We are actively soliciting WGNA members who would like to become more involved. This Board is a diverse and collaborative group and active participation is important. Board members attend the monthly WGNA Board meeting and work to "preserve and enhance" our neighborhood by responding to residents' concerns, attending appropriate meetings, and participating in neighborhood projects.

Please submit your request to be on the board by April 15th to the Nominating Committee by mail (PO Box 7706, San Jose, CA 95150-7706) or email to Larry Ames at LAmes@aol.com with copy to board@wgna.net. Please feel free to contact us if you have any questions.

Include with your request a brief statement of interest: a few words about yourself, your interest in joining the board and thoughts about how you could contribute. (Please limit this to 200 words or less)

About the Nominating Committee

The Nominating Committee consists of five WGNA members who are chosen the previous year in the Spring General Election. Their charge is to recommend to the General Membership a slate of candidates for the Board of Directors, and recommend the next Nominating Committee.

Last year the membership elected 5 members to the Nominating Committee. Relocation, time constraints and other have reduced this number to two: Larry Ames and Suzy Phillips. Per the Bylaws, the Board has appointed 3 people to complete this 2010-2011 term on the committee; Jeff Senigaglia, Ruben Rosso and Richard Zappelli. David Dearborn serves as an ex-officio member.

About the Election Process

The Nominating Committee will present to the membership a specific slate of recommended Officers and Directors. Any qualified candidate that submits their name to the Nominating Committee by the April 15th deadline can request that their name appear on the ballot. Ballots will be mailed to all WGNA members in good standing in a newsletter several weeks before the May General Meeting. The membership then votes by mail or in person at the General Meeting. The ballots are tallied within a week and the results announced on the wgna.net website.

Ballots received by 8 p.m. May 18, 2011 will be counted at the General Meeting by at least two members of the Nominating Committee and the results reported to the membership.

The Nominating Committee extends its invitation to anyone having skills, time and interest in supporting WGNA's mission to preserve and enhance the quality of life here in Willow Glen and San Jose. Members of the nominating committee would like to hear from you, so please if you have interest in serving on the Board, let us know.