PARKGATE SOCIETY • ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Board of Directors — Nominees for Election

We are delighted to introduce three community members who have been nominated to join the Parkgate Society Board of Directors. Each brings experience, care, and a deep connection to our community. We warmly invite members to meet them below.

Nominated for a three-year term • beginning 2026–2027

Board members may serve up to two consecutive three-year terms (six years in total).



Susan Brennan

Seymour Heights resident • self-described “serial volunteer”

Susan and her partner Ken Witcher have lived in the Seymour Heights area for over 40 years. She calls herself a “serial volunteer” because she has been involved in leadership roles with clubs and non-profits since her teen years. On the North Shore, she helped form the Seymour Area Youth Services Society, which built and ran the Seymour Youth Centre in the ’90s, and served on a number of District of North Vancouver committees.

As a computer programmer most of her working life, Susan developed and maintained business software for companies in many industries. Now retired from that career, she helps Ken run a comic books and collectibles store in Vancouver called Nifty Keen Stuff.

Susan earned her bachelor’s degree in mathematics in the U.S. and a certificate in non-profit management from SFU. She holds both American and Canadian citizenship. Susan has a grown daughter, Margot — another computer geek like her mother — who lives in the Bay Area of California, and Ken’s son Justin has been a red seal chef for nearly 20 years. In what leisure time she has, Susan enjoys digging in her garden and into genealogy for herself and others.



Constantine (Con) McQuade

Chartered Professional Accountant • Dollarton resident

> Currently serving on the Parkgate board — appointed in February 2026 to fill a mid-term vacancy — and now standing for election to his first full three-year term.

Con is a Chartered Professional Accountant and currently serves as Director of Administration and Finance at Burnaby Family Life, where he has worked for the past 12 years. Earlier in his career, he held senior roles with the 2010 Olympic Broadcasting Corporation and BHP in BC and California.

Con and his wife, Julie, have lived in the Dollarton neighbourhood for 26 years. They raised three children and now enjoy spending time with their two grandchildren. In his spare time, Con enjoys walking, hiking, and kayaking locally.

Con has a strong respect for the history and impact of Parkgate Society and is excited about the opportunity to contribute to its future and ongoing work in the community.



Tamara Van Wyck

Elementary Principal & Registered Clinical Counsellor • Mt. Seymour resident

Tamara Van Wyck has lived in the Mt. Seymour community since 2006 and is a proud parent of three children. She is an Elementary Principal with the Vancouver School Board and a Registered Clinical Counsellor, with extensive experience supporting children, families, and communities through leadership in education and mental health.

Passionate about inclusion, community connection, and lifelong learning, Tamara is committed to helping strengthen opportunities for people of all ages to belong and thrive. Outside of work, she enjoys spending time in the local mountains and on the ocean with her family.