

**MEMO**

**To:** Membership (via website)  
**From:** Heather Hutchings on behalf of Ross Wells, Chair, Nominating Committee and Diane Wolfenden, Chair, Board of Directors  
**Date:** July 31, 2009

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**Re: Nominating Committee Report (Primary Ballot)**

To confirm pursuant to the by-laws of the Greater Kitchener Waterloo Chamber of Commerce, the Nominating Committee is pleased to present a slate of candidates who have agreed to let their name stand for election to the Board of Directors, for a two-year term ending at the Annual General Meeting in 2011.

In preparing the slate, the Nominating Committee has taken into consideration the need for a broad and balanced representation of the membership (in terms of industry representation, business location, gender and size of business) on the Board of Directors, as well as the candidate's experience, strategic focus and involvement with the Chamber.

**The Slate of Nominees is:**

1. Rick Baker, President and Director, Spirited Investors Corporation
2. Brian Bennett, President, Brian Bennett Consulting
3. Mary D'Alton, President and CEO, Waterloo Inn Conference Hotel
4. Ginny Dybenko, Dean, Wilfrid Laurier University School of Business and Economics
5. Paul Eichinger, VP Development Services, Coldwell Banker Peter Benninger Realty
6. Rahim Hirji, SVP & CFO Canadian Division, Manulife Financial
7. Dave Jaworsky, Senior Director, Corporate Relations, Research In Motion Limited (RIM)
8. Scott Murphy, VP Business Development, Data Perceptions Inc.-IT Consultants
9. Tim Sothern, Partner, BDO Dunwoody LLP
10. Sandra Stone, Manager, Conestoga Mall (Ivanhoe Cambridge)
11. Trevor Strauss, Director Business Development, NextEnergy Geothermal
12. Tim Strome, Chief Financial Officer, Reid's Heritage Homes

13. Ross Wells, Partner, Gowling Lafleur Henderson LLP
14. Diane Wolfenden, Investment Advisor, RBC Dominion Securities

**Existing Board Members (terms expire September 2010)**

1. Murray Costello, District Manager, Union Gas A Spectra Energy Company
2. Al Hayes, Director of Engineering Services, The Walter Fedy Partnership
3. Jeff MacIntyre, Consultant/Manager, So There Business Solutions
4. Karen Mason, Vice President, Group, Equitable Life Insurance Company of Canada
5. Heather Melrose, Straight Street Event Services
6. Zubair Siddiqi, General Manager, Delta Kitchener-Waterloo

In accordance with the Chamber By-law # 1, Article 6.06:

*“Independent nomination of a Director may be made by submission to the Secretary in writing of the name of the nominee who must be a Member in good standing of the Chamber, the nominee’s agreement to stand of the election, and the signatures of not less than 4 nominators who are Members in good standing of the Chamber, not less than twenty (20) days prior to the mailing or transmission of the final ballot.”*

Chamber members can submit names of individuals interested in letting their name stand for election on the Board for a two-year term ending at the Annual General Meeting in 2011.

Please contact Heather Hutchings, Sponsorships and Branding at 519.749.6036 or [hhutchings@greaterkwchamber.com](mailto:hhutchings@greaterkwchamber.com), for a nomination form. Deadline for nominations is 5:00 p.m. on Friday, August 14, 2009.

**Notice of Annual General Meeting**

The 2009 Annual General Meeting has been called for:

**Thursday, September 24, 2009**

**Waterloo Inn Conference Hotel**

**4:30 p.m. Registration**

**5:00 p.m. Business Meeting Begins**

**6:00 p.m. Reception**

**On-line registration at [www.greaterkwchamber.com](http://www.greaterkwchamber.com)**

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