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## **Call for Nominations for the Board of Directors**

To be Elected at AGM 2018, Sunday, October 21, 2018



Do you know of someone who wants to involve herself and use her skills to keep the Victoria Lesbian Seniors Care Society front and centre? A friend, an acquaintance, someone you admire, or you? Now is the time to act. We are seeking nominations for the VLSCS Board of Directors, 2018-19 edition. So, if you know someone willing to throw her ball cap in the ring, let us know today!

It is our wish to be a visible, active, and vital part of the community. As you may know, our purpose is to support lesbians' health and social needs as we age by ensuring safe, accessible, welcoming spaces for social interactions, to build a sense of community through public education and social action. To that end, the amazing women of VLSCS have presented more than 50 events and activities in 2017-18.

Obviously, we need people power to achieve our goals! Currently, the Board of Directors, while strong in determination and vision, is not so strong in numbers. As of this past March, we have been three—Chair Heather Sutherland, Interim Treasurer Rina Goth, and Secretary Elisabeth Wootton, who the Board appointed to fill a vacancy as two board members resigned to fulfill other commitments. Fortunately, we had a great crew of volunteers to help us—a tip of the ball cap to those amazing women!

We are a hybrid board, transitioning from a working board to a governing board. Whether you want to limit yourself to the duties and responsibilities of governing or get more deeply involved in the day to day activities, the choice is yours. Most importantly –

Let's have a big, strong Board going forward! Make your nominations for 2018-19 to chair@vlscs.ca.

## The Constitutional Fine Print

Our constitution states that the number of Directors shall be no less than 5 or no greater than 12. Elected by the membership at the AGM, Directors serve two-year terms. No Director shall stand for more than two consecutive terms (four years). At their first meeting after the annual general meeting, Directors choose the Chair, Vice Chair, Secretary and Treasurer from their number, the balance being members-at-large. They hold those positions for one year (until the next AGM). Directors may at any time appoint a member as a Director to fill a vacancy. A Director so appointed holds office only until the conclusion of the next following annual general meeting but is eligible for re-election at that meeting.



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