

Community Services Advisory Board - Appointment Recommendations

Members	Appointment Term
<u>Appointments (4)</u>	
Lara McClelland	May 1, 2021 to April 30, 2022
Ashton Raeyr	May 1, 2021 to April 30, 2022
Asheika Sood	May 1, 2021 to April 30, 2022
Benjamin Whynot	May 1, 2021 to April 30, 2022
<u>Reappointments (9)</u>	
Bonnie Chan-Maier	May 1, 2021 to April 30, 2022
Kyra Cusveller	May 1, 2021 to April 30, 2022
Bette Gray	May 1, 2021 to April 30, 2022
Kanwal Lali	May 1, 2021 to April 30, 2022
Steven Langer	May 1, 2021 to April 30, 2022
Sky McLaughlin	May 1, 2021 to April 30, 2022
Mishma Mukith	May 1, 2021 to April 30, 2022
Jameela Murji	May 1, 2021 to April 30, 2022
Scott Wright	May 1, 2021 to April 30, 2022

Here is a brief public introduction as provided by the new appointees:

Lara McClelland	Community Services Advisory Board
<p>Lara is a highly motivated, passionate and committed person that thrives in environments that are values-based and results oriented. She worked in Alberta's health system for over 14 years from the front line, through to research, through to leadership and up to governance. She also has 8 years' experience in post-secondary education working in health research, curriculum development and more recently, executive leadership. Her formal education includes a Master of Science and MBA.</p> <p>She has prior governance experience as the former Vice-Chair and Chair of the Boyle McCauley Health Centre Board, the community director on the Board of the Edmonton West Primary Care Network, and the President of her local community league.</p> <p>She is a mother of two teenage daughters that consistently remind her of her inadequacies in technology, fashion and pop culture. She loves to travel, downhill ski, cross country run, and read. She is currently completing her designation as a Qualified Mediator. She is very excited to serve the City of Edmonton on the</p>	

Community Services Advisory Board. She is active in many activities and events throughout the city, and is a regular user of City of Edmonton services.

Ashton Raeyr	Community Services Advisory Board
<p>Ashton Raeyr (he/him) has worked and volunteered in the social profit sector for more than a decade, serving with numerous organizations across North America including hospitals, social service agencies, museums, theatres, symphonies, libraries and more. Ashton has also worked in the realm of Parks and Recreation, and brings a strong practical knowledge of aquatics, rink operations and community programming. As a local volunteer, he dedicates his time actively to gender inclusion and community service organizations.</p> <p>Having returned to the Capital Region in 2018, Ashton is passionate about supporting Edmonton's continued growth and development for the future as a multicultural global city. He is committed to ensuring that our community strives for equity, inclusion and accessibility for all, and that community services can be sustainably allocated for the best impact today, and for tomorrow. Ashton is passionate about our community parks, and during his free time can most often be found exploring the incredible trail system of our river valley.</p>	

Asheika Sood	Community Services Advisory Board
<p>Asheika Sood (she/her/they) is a passionate young person interested in how Community Services can be built collaboratively with the communities that access them. She has a background in public policy, research, and community engagement, and takes a human design centred approach to building meaningful ideas for the community. She previously served on the City of Edmonton Youth Council and sat on the board for her housing cooperative while attending university. She hopes that her time on the Community Services Advisory Board will allow her to listen to diverse voices on what Edmontonians need to thrive.</p>	

Benjamin Whynot	Community Services Advisory Board
<p>Ben Whynot has been proud to call Edmonton home since he relocated from Nova Scotia in 2007. Following time with the Legislative Assembly of Alberta and the University of Alberta, Ben's professional career has been with the Alberta Public Service for the previous six years. He is currently the Manager, Strategic Policy and Legislation in the Deputy Minister's Office in Alberta Municipal Affairs, but has also served in the Executive Council, Alberta Education, and Culture and Tourism. An avid community volunteer, Ben has been a member of the Board of Directors for the Pride Centre of Edmonton, the Centre for Family Literacy, the Edmonton Social Planning Council, REACH Edmonton, and the HIV Legal Network. Ben was</p>	

a volunteer workshop facilitator with the provincial government's former Board Development Program and completed the Max Bell Foundation's Public Policy Training Program in 2016. He earned a bachelor's degree in English and Political Science at Acadia University as well as a Master of Arts in Political Science from the University of Alberta.