

To: Ottawa Jewish Community Foundation Board of Directors
 From: Sandy Pollack, Chair of the Governance Committee
 Date: April 17, 2025
 Re: Slate of Nominations for 2026/2027

The Governance Committee is pleased to issue the following recommendations for the 2026/2027 slate of nominees.

The Governance Committee recommends the following names to stand for election at the June 10th AGM to fill the vacancies required for the 2026/27 year:

Paul Gardner	For a 3 year term
Stephanie Levitz	For a 3 year term
Aaron Smith	For a 3 year term
Erin Zipes	For a 3 year term

The Board of Directors of the Ottawa Jewish Community Foundation thanks the following directors who will be completing their service in June 2026:

Steve Gordon
 Sandy Pollack
 Brent Taylor

Proposed New Board for the Coming Year:

Board Member	Current Term Ending	Total Service ending	Comments
Paul Gardner	2029	2035	To be Elected in 2026
Stephanie Levitz	2029	2035	To be Elected in 2026
Aaron Smith	2029	2032	To be re-elected in 2026
Erin Zipes	2029	2029	To be re-elected in 2026
Stephen Saslove	2028	2034	Elected in 2025
Michelle Zilbergerts	2028	2034	Elected in 2025
Chuck Merovitz	2027	2033	Elected in 2024
Charles Mirsky	2027	2033	Elected in 2024
Sharon Appotive	2027	2027	Re-elected in 2024
Debra Viner	2027	2030	Re-elected in 2024
Susan Viner Vered	2027	2030	Re-elected in 2024

Proposed Officer Positions for 2026/27 (to be approved immediately following the AGM):

Chair:	Erin Zipes
Vice-Chair:	Aaron Smith
Treasurer:	Aaron Smith
Secretary:	Erin Zipes
Past-Chair:	Sandy Pollack

In accordance with Section 2.01 of the By-laws:

The directors shall be elected by the members at the annual meeting of members. The Board of Directors shall be elected and hold office in rotating terms of three (3) years such that at each annual meeting of members, a number of directors equal to the number retiring shall be elected by the members to serve terms of three (3) years, for a maximum of three (3) consecutive terms. Notwithstanding the limitation of three (3) consecutive terms it is understood that as a past-chair, a director may be required to serve as a director beyond the end of their third consecutive term.

The Officers (other than the President and Immediate Past-Chair) shall be appointed by the Board of Directors from among those Directors elected by the members at the annual meeting. Therefore, a brief 10 minute special Board meeting will be held immediately after the annual meeting on June 10, 2026 to elect the Officers for the coming year (2026/27).

Many thanks to the Nominating Committee for their contributions: Sharon Appotive, Sandy Pollack, Adam Silver, Aaron Smith, Gillie Vered, and Erin Zipes.