

CLAM Board Structure and Nomination Process 2017

A Primer on Community Land Trust Board Structure

As a Community Land Trust that creates affordable homes in West Marin with community voice, CLAM has a board structure that allows for and preserves a balance of interests. This tri-partite structure is a hallmark of Community Land Trusts across the country. The three parts, or categories, of CLAM board structure include a) those who stand to directly benefit from CLAM's work in the community, b) general members from the community, and c) persons with specific sets of expertise that CLAM needs.

Below is a listing of CLAM board members and open slots per category. While CLAM strives to preserve a balance of board members in each category of board structure (ie, Lessee, General Member, and Public Representative), the actual number of board members occupying each category is also dependent on the nomination process, and individuals able to serve.

While persons who fall within the definition of each Board category nominate people for that specific category (further described below), the entire CLAM membership votes on the board slate at the Annual Meeting.

To nominate yourself or someone you know for service on the CLAM Board, please call CLAM at 415-663-1005, or email CLAM Executive Director Kim Thompson at kim@clam-ptreyes.org.

The Annual Meeting will occur on May 20th, 2017 at the Dance Palace, beginning at 5:00pm with a light meal followed by the membership meeting. For more information on CLAM board structure, nomination process, or Annual Meeting, please call us at 415-663-1005.

Categories of Board Representation and Nomination Process for Each Category

Resident or "Lessee" Member Category

This includes anyone who rents or owns a CLAM Home, any CLAM member who rents in CLAM's service area of West Marin (Tomales, Marshall, Point Reyes, Olema, Inverness Park, Inverness), or any CLAM member who holds a position to represent the interests of those who would benefit from a CLAM home (example: school personnel, community service staff, healthcare staff, etc). If you fall into this category as a CLAM member, you can nominate yourself or other persons who fall into this category to serve on the Board.

2017 Slate

Current Board members

- 1) Eric Oldmixon
- 2) Nancy Vayhinger

Open Positions

- 3) Jorge Martinez (proposed)
- 4)
- 5)

General Member Category

This includes any CLAM member who, by definition, lives in West Marin and is current in annual membership dues to CLAM. If you fall into this category as a CLAM member, you can nominate yourself or other persons who fall into this category to serve on the CLAM Board.

2017 Slate

Current Board members

- 1) Myn Adess
- 2) Susan Brayton
- 3) Maureen Cornelia
- 4) Kerry Livingston
- 5) Corey Ohama

Open Positions

- 1) Laurie Monserrat (proposed)

Public Representative Category

This includes anyone with a skill set identified by the CLAM Board of Directors to be helpful to CLAM's work as a non-profit, affordable housing organization. These members are nominated by the Board of Directors and voted on by the CLAM membership. Examples of persons include those with experience in finance, affordable housing, political interests, real estate, etc. Members in this category do not have to reside in West Marin.

2017 Slate

Current Board members

- 1) Eleanore Despina (finance)
- 2) Marshall Livingston (real estate)
- 3) Mike Hogan (legal)
- 4) Susan Scott (legal)
- 5) Pamela Wright (finance)

NOMINATION TIMELINE for Annual Meeting: Sunday, May 20th 2017

- April 20: CLAM sends notice to membership of upcoming Annual Meeting, including a call and timeline for nominations to the Board.
- May 1: Last Day for Board nominations from membership
- April 21 – May 13: CLAM Nominating Committee meets with nominees
- May 15: CLAM posts proposed Board Slate on website for member review in advance of Annual Meeting
- May 20: Annual Meeting; Vote on Board nominees