

Nominating Committee Report

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The Nominating Committee met at the Truro Public Library in May to discuss possible candidates for the Board of Directors and Community Advisory Board. In considering prospective members, the committee prioritized geographic representation across our listening area, along with cultural and professional diversity. We also sought candidates with nonprofit experience who could bring useful skills and perspectives to the station's leadership and long-term planning.

There are three seats to fill on the Board this year, each open for a different reason.

Sheila House is completing her second consecutive three-year term, having been elected by the membership in 2020. This is Sheila's second period of service on the Board, including three years as Board President.

Fred Boak has served a full three-year term as well as two years completing a seat left vacant by Janice Roderick, and will step down this year. This is also Fred's second period of service on the Board, much of it as Board Clerk.

Sarah Burrill stepped down during her second three-year term after being re-elected at the 2024 Annual Meeting. Her term runs through November 2027, leaving one year to be filled.

Candidates were drawn from a list of prospective Board members developed over time by current and former members of the Nominating Committee.

- **David LaFrance** – A Provincetown resident, David is Director of Programming and Operations at The Commons in Provincetown, where he works with local artists and business professionals.
- **Paul Greenspan** – A Wellfleet resident, Paul is known to WOMR listeners as DJ Pablo, host of *Global Groove*. He is the founder of The Outermost Bateria and Secret Planet Cape Cod and serves as Board President of Narrowland Music.
- **Sarah Swain** – A Harwich resident, Sarah is the founder of the nonprofit Cape Wellness Collaborative, the Cape Cod Women's Music Festival and Dancing with the Docs. A well-known local musician, she fronts Sarah Swain & The Oh Boys and co-owns The Frying Pan Gallery with her husband, sculptor Steve Swain.

David and Sarah will be nominated for full three-year terms. Paul will be nominated to complete the final year of Sarah Burrill's term.

The committee is pleased to have identified three strong candidates for this year's ballot. At the same time, the Policy and Governance Committee has recognized the value of beginning the nominating process earlier in the year. Going forward, the goal is for the Nominating Committee to begin its work in January rather than April or May, allowing more time to identify and consider prospective Board and Community Advisory Board

members.

The Nominating Committee, selected by the Board President and ratified by the membership at the 2024 Annual Meeting, includes:

- **Board members:** Daniel Gallagher and Ira Wood
- **Community Advisory Board:** Ed McManus
- **Non-board programmer:** Deborah Karacosian
- **Community-at-large:** John Yingling and Janet Lesniak

If you are reading this and would like to be considered for any of the station's committees, the Board of Directors or the Community Advisory Board, please contact John Braden at john@womr.org.

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