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MEAO – an organization representing and supporting the medical conditions of Myalgic Encephalomyelitis/Chronic Fatigue Syndrome (ME/CFS), Fibromyalgia (FM) and Environmental Sensitivities/Multiple Chemical Sensitivity (ES/MCS)

NOMINATION REPORT

MEAO Annual General Meeting June 26, 2019

Current Board of Directors:

- Denise Magi, President
- Keith Deviney, Vice President
- John Doherty, Secretary
- Adrianna Tetley, Treasurer

Denise Magi, President has 2 years left on her three year term Adrianna Tetley, Treasurer has 1 year left on her two year term. John Doherty and Keith Deviney had 1 year terms each and are eligible to run for another three year term.

Process for 2018 Elections

A Call for Nominations for MEAO Board was issued on April 12 2019 with the deadline on May 12, 2019.

A full board of MEAO is 7 directors. The Board needs a minimum of 4 elected Board of Directors to conduct the business of MEAO.

Keith Deviney and John Doherty are prepared to run for another term. No other nominations were received.

Keith Deviney and John Doherty are being recommended for election. See bios below. There will be no nominations from the floor as this was clearly communicated in the Nomination process for the MEAO Board.

Elections will be held at the AGM via a written ballot. Each member will be asked to vote for or against the two nominees.

According to the Bylaws, the Board has the authority to appoint vacancies. After the AGM, if any member is interested in joining the board, please contact the newly elected MEAO Board of Directors.

Bios of Nominees:

Keith Deviney

Keith is the current Vice-President of MEAO, and was previously President. He is a semi-retired retirement financial planner with Assante Wealth Management. Previously he worked at Crown Life as an actuary. He has also served as the treasurer of the local chapter of the Retirement Planning Association of Canada. With a family member who has been ill for many years with the medical conditions supported by MEAO, Keith is committed to working with MEAO and its continuing major project with the Ministry of Health being the Task Force on Environmental Health.

John Doherty

John has been connected to MEAO since 2012 in the effort to win provincial government support for the Business Case proposal for the Ontario Centre of Excellence in Environmental Health. Since that time, he has worked with the Board and other interested parties to press the government to move on the important recommendations of the business case. He has attended MEAO Days at Queens Park since 2013. More recently, he has volunteered to assist the Board to rebuild the internal operations. He is committed to the work of MEAO and advancing the recommendations in the business case to implementation. He is currently MEAO's secretary.

John has worked with over 30 not-for-profits going through transition, change or crisis and he has worked for community health centres, legal clinics, environmentally organizations, social policy, children and housing organizations. John also has extensive experience on Boards and has acted as Chair/President, Treasurer or Secretary for nearly 20 boards at the local, provincial and national level since 1985.

John will bring to the MEAO board extensive experience with governance and operations processes.

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