May 5, 2020 BOARD OF DIRECTOR CANDIDATES

In order of placement on the ballot

DIRECTOR DISTRICT 1



Sue Roche

I am a proud Colorado native. My neighborhood is in the former Cunningham Fire Protection District, where I have lived since 2005. I have two teen-age boys with my husband of twenty-three years. We share our home with my mother and our three dogs.

I graduated from Colorado State University with a Bachelor of Arts in Sociology, later earning a Paralegal Certificate from the Denver Paralegal Institute. I have held positions in banking, mortgage, compliance, elections, and the funeral industry. I am currently employed as a CPR and First Aid Instructor, and I edit audio books.

I often refer to myself as a "Career Volunteer". My volunteer engagements have ranged from The Boy Scouts of America to hospice, law enforcement to fire service. I was the 2015 Volunteer of the Year award recipient from the Carson J Spencer Foundation; I have served on the Board of Directors of the Suicide Prevention Coalition of Colorado since 2015, and recently completed a 2-year term as Co-Chair. Additionally, I am a member of the Colorado Human Remains Extraction and Recovery Team ("COHEART"), and I intern with the Denver Office of the Medical Examiner.

I was introduced to the former Cunningham Fire Protection District when I participated in the Arapahoe County Sheriff's Office Citizen's Academy in 2015. Attending the South Metro Fire Rescue Citizen's Academy in 2018 further enhanced my perspective of fire and EMS service in my community. I was so inspired by the experience that I joined the Franktown Fire Protection District as a volunteer firefighter. In 2019, I completed the South Metro Fire Rescue EMT-B Course and became a state and nationally licensed EMT. I began teaching CPR and First Aid for the South Metro Safety Foundation last summer.

I am the creator of a Dragonfly Grief Journal that I incorporate in grief workshops and that is included in iCare Packages© for suicide loss survivors. I have a 2nd degree black belt in taekwondo.



Stanley Buehler

Stan is a Colorado native that values planning, growth, cooperation, coordination with a vision for potential impacts. Having grown up with the Denver Metro area, Stan enjoys the outdoors and spending time with his family. Helping his amazing wife of 37 years raise their four wonderful children in what is now the SMFR service area, Stan has seen the growth of the area and of SMFR.

As a leader in the community, Stan has contributed on several non-profit boards and possesses the understanding of the inter-workings of both governance and operational boards. Being both a former and current president of Dove Hill HOA, Stan has worked with SMFR to help expand fire protection to the Dove Hill Community. Past positions include Dove Hill HOA President and Elder on the Fellowship Community Church board.

Stan has a background in Software Engineering, Systems Engineering and Program Management with several companies having ties to Buckley Air Force Base. Stan Graduated from Gateway High School and Regis University and truly loves living in Colorado.



Muriel Williams

Muriel is currently a Director on the South Metro Fire Rescue/Cunningham Fire District Board and has been active since appointed in November 2018. As a leader in the real estate industry, Muriel also serves as President of the Denver Chapter of the National Association of Real Estate Brokers which is an organization that upholds and promotes the standards of Fair Housing.

Born and raised in Denver, Colorado, Muriel is no stranger to the vastly growing Colorado Community. She graduated high school from Kent Denver and began her studies at Syracuse University in Syracuse, NY and finished at Loyola Marymount University in Los Angeles, California with a Bachelor's degree. Being birthed into a family of Denver real-estate gurus originating with her Grandfather who founded Town and Country Realty, Inc. in the late 1950's paved the way for Muriel to become a skilled 3rd generation real estate professional.

Before turning to a Real Estate sales career in 2005, she served in corporate sales & marketing positions within the Medical Device/Supplies and Capital Equipment Technology industries providing expertise in all aspects of medical products use and application, account development and management. In these positions, she honed her organizational and leadership skills and was repeatedly given distinguished recognition and President Circle awards for her excellence.

Muriel has always had the determination to uphold a tradition of care, trust, integrity, expertise, and has continuously been eager to have more knowledge as she has earned several certifications and designations in efforts to better serve communities.



Mark Walter Nelson

I am running for the South Metro Fire Rescue Board of Directors, District 3. I would like to serve on the Board because I have had a strong interest in firefighting and fire safety since my youth, and have participated in numerous fire musters and community safety events since the 1980s. I was honored to attend the South Metro Fire Rescue Citizens Academy in 2018, where I gained an even deeper understanding of how SMFR works within our community. Since 2018, I have participated in various SMFR Risk Reduction programs and classes, including teaching children and adults about smoke alarms, ice rescue, CPR and AED training, bleeding control and wound first aid, as well as the use of goats for wildfire mitigation. My wife Kim, our daughter Kelly, son David and I have lived in our house since 1996, and we were involved in numerous activities at Walnut Hills Elementary, Campus Middle School and at Cherry Creek High School.

I was born in Denver on 15 September 1959, and grew up in Denver and in Northglenn, Colorado. After graduation from the University of Colorado in 1981, I was commissioned in the U.S. Air Force and served as a missile launch officer from 1981 through 1985. I served in the Air Force Reserve from 1988 through 2008, retiring as a Lieutenant Colonel. I have been a Federal employee since September 1993, and currently am an Air Force Historian at the Air Reserve Personnel Center, Buckley Air Force Base. As part of my Historian duties, I have deployed twice to Southwest Asia to the 380th Air Expeditionary Wing, Al Dhafrah AB, United Arab Emirates (September 2010-January 2012, January 2014-May 2014); I also received the Excellence in Contingency History Award for best deployed history, 2011.

QUALIFICATIONS:

Homeowner, 7013 S. Quince Circle, Centennial, CO 80112 (Walnut Hills neighborhood), June 1996-Present

Educator (substitute), Cherry Creek Schools and others, 1987-1993 Board Member, Walnut Hills Civic Association, 1997-1999 Graduate, South Metro Fire Rescue Citizens Academy, 2018

EDUCATION:

Northglenn High School, 1977
Bachelor of Arts in History, University of Colorado Boulder, 1981
USAF Missile Qualification Training, Vandenberg AFB, CA, 1981
Teaching Certificate in Elementary Education, University of Colorado Denver, 1987
Air Force Squadron Officer School, Correspondence, 1992
Air Force Air Command and Staff College, Correspondence, 2003
Graduate, History of Air Power Course, Washington DC, 1994



Mike Hill

Born and raised in Chicago, I am a graduate of The University of Iowa with a BA in Sociology. I moved with my wife and 3 year old son to Littleton in 1983 and in 1984, along with our second son, bought a house in what is now Centennial. We have lived there ever since. My work life was spent in sales and business development and was fortunate to retire in 2013. I graduated from the 2016 SMFR Citizens Academy and am currently an active civilian volunteer along with other Citizens Academy alum. I hold certifications in Basic First Aid, CPR/AED and FEMA IS-100.C. I enjoy hiking, biking, playing guitar and the occasional round of golf.



Jim Albee

Jim Albee has served on the South Metro Cunningham Fire Rescue Authority Board since January 2019, having been appointed to represent the former Littleton Fire Protection District (LFPD) on the Board upon the unification of South Metro Fire Rescue and Littleton Fire Rescue.

Jim served on the LFPD Board of Directors from 2014 to 2018 and was Board President at the time of LFPD's inclusion into South Metro at the end of 2018. He also serves his community as an appointed official for the City of Centennial as a member of the Centennial Budget Committee (2014 - present), as a member of the Board of Directors of the Highlands Ranch Law Enforcement Training Foundation (2018 - present), and as a finance committee member for The Arc of Colorado (2018 - present). Jim was recently invited to serve as an inaugural member of the Law Enforcement Citizens Advisory Committee, providing input on public safety and helping shape how law enforcement services are provided to the City of Centennial by the Arapahoe County Sheriff's Office.

Jim and his wife have lived in Colorado for 30 years and have two sons. He earned his MBA from the University of Colorado - Denver after receiving a BS in Electrical Engineering from Montana State University. Jim works with smaller Colorado companies as a Chief Financial Officer with special emphasis on improving their financial budgeting, planning, and reporting capabilities.

Jim appreciates the opportunity he's had to serve the over 500,000 people in South Metro's territory and hopes to continue as a Board Member to focus on SMFR's sustainability, safety, and service provided by the best people in the fire service.



Cynthia "Cindy" Hathaway

Cindy Hathaway is the Executive Director of Western Welcome Week, which is a ten-day community festival in Littleton, Colorado. She coordinates the marketing, sponsorship, and volunteers, and is involved in the planning and coordination of many events. Prior to her position at Western Welcome Week Cindy worked at a financial institution in downtown Littleton, transitioning through three different banking institutions.

Cindy was on the board of directors of the Littleton Fire Protection District for ten years; being appointed to fulfill a leaving board members term and then elected for two more terms. When she termed off the board due to term limitations; the board offered her the position of District Administrator due to her knowledge and involvement. Cindy spent eighteen years with the District, involved in station expansion and remodeling, purchase pf apparatus, and worked closely with the District and South Metro Fire Rescue through the planning and unification. To remain involved with the fire department she joined the volunteer board of the South Metro Safety Foundation in January 2019.

Cindy lives in unincorporated Jefferson county, with a Littleton mailing address, which is always confusing. She resides in the Columbine area where she grew up and attended school, graduating from Columbine High School.



Renee Anderson

Renee Anderson, a native Coloradan, has lived in Highlands Ranch since 1991. She earned her Occupational Therapy degree from CSU, which she feels also provides helpful problem identification and solution skills to areas of life outside of therapy. Renee was elected to the Highlands Ranch Metro District Board of Directors in May of 2014 and was appointed to the South Metro Fire Rescue Authority Board to represent the Highlands Ranch area, after the 2018 inclusion election. She has enjoyed the opportunity over the last six years to develop professional relationships with many other leaders throughout Douglas County, as there is so much great work accomplished when leaders work together, sharing their knowledge and experience, while serving the communities they love. Renee hopes to continue serving the South Metro organization as a South Metro Fire Rescue District board member, supporting the very best first responders who take care of our more than 500K citizens every. single. day.