

CGFOA Elections for 2018 Officers and Board Of Directors

Thank you to the fine members listed below, who have stepped up to run for Officers and Board of Directors for CGFOA. CGFOA is pleased to present seven individuals for your consideration. All are highly qualified with a passion to serve. Please review the attached information that each nominee has submitted.

We have one nomination for **Vice President:**
Lore Nusser, Apex Park and Recreation

We have two nominations for **Secretary:**
Tammy Nordyke, Pueblo West Metro District
Julie Rekert, City of Golden

We have four nominations for **Director:**
Catrina Asher, Boulder County
Marlin McDaniel, Jefferson County
Dominica Rose, Town of Elizabeth
Kirk Weber, Colorado Department of Education, School Finance Division

A ballot will be sent to you via email during the early part of October. You will vote for one VP, one secretary, and two directors. Voting should only take a few minutes; please submit your vote and ensure that your voice is heard. Last year's elections came down to six or fewer votes for one office, so YES, your single vote does matter!

Nomination for Vice President

Name: Lore Nusser

Title: Accounting Supervisor

Entity: Apex Park & Recreation District

Position you are running for: Vice President

Please tell us about your historical involvement with CGFOA:

I became a member of CGFOA in 2014. As a member, I attended all board events and meetings I could. The most influential meeting on my career was the 2014 Christmas networking lunch. At that lunch, I was lucky enough to sit by Judy Dahl creating a connection I will never forget.

Because of my lunch conversation with Judy, I was appointed to the board as a director in 2015 for the 2016 – 2017 term. I have been an active member of the board working with the education committee & the conference committee whenever I am able to.

Thank you, Judy, for the most inciteful lunch I've ever had!

Please tell us why you are interested in being on the Board of CGFOA:

As a member of CGFOA I have learned so much in both the annual and conference education sessions. I want to be able to use my experiences to help others in Colorado governments to be able to do the same.

I have also meet and gotten to know so many amazing people through this organization in the mentee capacity. As Vice President, I hope to be able to help others in CGFOA as a mentor as much as I have been helped by those in CGFOA.

Nomination for Secretary

Name: Tammy Nordyke

Title: Finance Director

Entity: Pueblo West Metro District

Position you are running for: Secretary

Please tell us about your historical involvement with CGFOA:

Member since 2005

Conference committee member 2017

CGFOA Secretary since April 2017

Attended number of annual conferences and trainings

Please tell us why you are interested in being on the Board of CGFOA:

Supporting local finance officers and helping to champion the causes of local government are the main reasons that I am running for Secretary of CGFOA. Being a part of this great organization, through its training opportunities and networking, have been exceedingly beneficial to the success that I have enjoyed as Finance Director for a small local government. This chance to have a Board position would allow me to be an ambassador for the organization and help promote the benefits that membership provides.

Nomination for Secretary

Name: Julie Rekart

Title: Tax Auditor

Entity: City of Golden

Position you are running for: Secretary

Time for the CGFOA board election
So many roles to provide direction
To me it is so clear
That the one that should be most dear
Should be **Secretary** of our most certain (im)perfection

Please tell us about your historical involvement with CGFOA:

A tax auditor for six years
First I had to overcome all my fears
CTAC education committee to build my confidence
And create a much greater tolerance
For attending and volunteering at the CGFOA conference

Please tell us why you are interested in being on the Board of CGFOA:

I once knew a manager from Golden
Too busy with internal politics to be holden
A CGFOA board position
So now before me is my mission
To be elected, so other candidates should just be a folden

On a more serious note, both CTAC and CGFOA helped me to gain a greater knowledge and understanding of the challenges faced by local governments. CTAC has been most helpful in providing contacts and resources to determine the best way to approach various taxpayer situations/issues. CGFOA has provided me the opportunity to expand my network/contacts/knowledge to include more than "just tax". I appreciate all the people I have met and being a social creature, I want to continue to expand my network and emphasize good educational opportunities for the group going forward.

Running for Director

Name: Catrina Asher, CPA, CPFO
Title: Assistant Finance Director
Entity: Boulder County
Position you are running for: Director

Please tell us about your historical involvement with CGFOA:

I have been a member of CGFOA since 2009 and have been actively involved on committees since 2013. My roles have included co-chairing the Technical Issues Committee from 2013-2016, participating on the Education Committee from 2013-2017 and co-chairing that committee starting in 2017, which includes participating in the conference committee. I've also served on the Board of Directors for the past 2 years as a Director.

Please tell us why you are interested in being on the Board of CGFOA:

I began getting involved with the organization in 2013 to help with education, something I am passionate about. I feel it's important in our industry to stay current with regulations and also to maintain our managerial and teamwork skills. Our roles as finance officers are changing and people skills are just as important as debits and credits. With CGFOA, I've taught several courses and helped schedule sessions across the state on a variety of topics. I've very much enjoyed being an active part of this organization and promoting education and networking in our industry, and I hope to be able to continue in my role on the Board of Directors for another term. During that time, my focus will continue to be education, but will also focus on membership levels, particularly regarding counties, which are under represented in our organization. I think we have a lot of potential to grow our membership and continue improving education opportunities across the state.

Running for Director

Name: Dominica Rose
Title: Accounting Manager/HR Director
Entity: Town of Elizabeth
Position you are running for: Director

Please tell us about your historical involvement with CGFOA:

This is my first year in Government Finance and my first year with CGFOA. I have attended one board meeting and several webinars and trainings. I volunteered for the booth at GFOA in Denver. As I grow in my career I hope to grow with CGFOA and get more involved and share my knowledge with my colleagues and other municipalities.

Please tell us why you are interested in being on the Board of CGFOA:

I am interested in being on the Board of CGFOA to gain more knowledge in government finance, to better understand board governance through personal experience, build valuable networks and relationships with fellow board members and to grow as a leader the only way you can, through experience. Also the most important thing of all is the opportunity to giveback.

Running for Director

Name: Marlin McDaniel
Title: Budget Analyst
Entity: Budget and Risk Management, Jefferson County
Position you are running for: Director

Please tell us about your historical involvement with CGFOA:

As a member, I have:

- _served on the 2017 Education Committee by providing educational programming for the 2017 Annual Conference,
- _immersed myself in the educational and volunteerism opportunities at CGFOA (*our team definitely stuffed the most GFOA national conference bags more quickly than the others!*); and
- _focused on deeply understanding CGFOA and my fellow members by attending the outstanding social/networking events hosted by CGFOA.

Please tell us why you are interested in being on the Board of CGFOA:

The role of government finance officer is the **most important** responsibility in any organization (I'm biased, but I guarantee you this is true – ask any CGFOA or GFOA member). Whether you're a sales tax auditor advising local businesses, a water district manager delivering safe and affordable water resources to residents, or the chief financial officer setting the financial tone for a city or county – the finance officer's leadership at all levels of government is essential in creating resilient local governments.

As your Board representative, I want to create platforms that showcase your resilient, innovative efforts on a local and national level. I want to continue to connect you with stimulating, inclusive, and diverse educational offerings. CGFOA is made up of the best and brightest – I want to see your efforts and awesome responsibilities as government finance officers supported by CGFOA's service to you.

Running for Director

Name: Kirk Weber
Title: Financial Accounting Technical Advisor
Entity: Colorado Department of Education, School Finance Division
Position you are running for: Director

Please tell us about your historical involvement with CGFOA:

I have been involved with CGFOA and GFOA for most of my 30+ year career in governmental accounting, auditing, and reporting. CGFOA has been an invaluable resource for trainings, networking, and general support. I have recently joined the CGFOA Technical Issues Committee.

Please tell us why you are interested in being on the Board of CGFOA:

I have an opportunity at this point in my career to start to give back to and more actively support the CGFOA organization that has assisted and supported me during my career. I would like to see and support increased school district staff involvement and participation in CGFOA, continued monitoring and involvement with GASB activities, and maintenance of high level of educational training opportunities available through CGFOA.