



Backgrounder

Board of Directors for Lakeridge Health

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Lakeridge Health Board of Directors

1. Valentine Lovekin, Board Chair

Valentine Lovekin practices law in the Village of Newcastle in the Municipality of Clarington. He values his family's deep roots in Clarington as early settlers and he volunteers as a practical commitment to this community.

Valentine's practice focuses primarily on real estate transactions and estates administration and is expanding to provide advice to clients concerning land use planning and elder law. He also practices law in Toronto, where his work tends to focus on asset acquisition, management and preservation.

Valentine is the Chair of the Newcastle Business Improvement Association, the Bloor-Yorkville Business Improvement Association, his local Ratepayers' Association and he is the Secretary of the Order of Malta (Ontario) Charitable Foundation. He has completed two three-year terms as a Trustee of Lakeridge Health.

2. Thorsten Koseck, First Vice-Chair

Thorsten Koseck is a Manufacturing Engineering Superintendent at General Motors. His professional activities include being a keynote speaker at numerous Engineering Conferences as well as being a technical advisor to TV Ontario's Virtual Classroom Educational Show.

He was on the Governing Board of the Society of Automotive Engineers for nine years and served as Chair and Vice Chair. Thorsten has lived in Durham for 30 years and is heavily involved in the community. His activities include being a volunteer fireman, Emergency Spill response team member, Junior Achievement Advisor, and Project Business Coordinator.

He has raised funds for the United Way and the Oshawa Hospital Foundation and has also taught science experiments to grade school students.

3. R. James Clapp, Treasurer

Jim Clapp has been a Chartered Accountant since 1971 and has 37 years of experience in municipal finance, holding progressive roles with the Regional Municipality of Durham.

For the past 16 years, Jim has served as Treasurer and Commissioner of Finance, a position that involves financial information systems, financial planning and studies, budgets and property tax/assessment, insurance and risk management, enterprise risk management and internal audit.

Jim has a strong appreciation for the challenges and possibilities that growth presents for public services and infrastructure. A lifelong resident of the City of Oshawa, he has been active in the community. He coached hockey and baseball for more than 15 years and served on the executive of an Oshawa hockey league for several years.

4. P. Mark Ashcroft

Mark Ashcroft has been employed by Toronto Fire Service since 1987 and is Captain in the Operations Division. In addition, he is an Associate Professor in Seneca College's Pre-Fire Program. He worked as a Primary Care Paramedic with Durham Region EMS from 1981 to 2004.

Mark's extensive volunteer experience includes serving as provincial appointee to the Board of Directors for Durham Access to Care and sitting on its Finance Committee. The Oshawa resident is a former member of the Committee to Evaluate Drugs and Cancer Care Ontario subcommittee.

He is also a former member of the Regional Municipality of Durham's Energy from Waste Site Liaison Committee and City of Oshawa's Property Standards Committee and Committee of Revision, has been a member of the City's Downtown Action Committee and the Region's Waste Management Advisory Committee. A recipient of Toronto Police Service's Community Member Award, Mark graduated from Ontario Fire College with a Fire Protection Technology Diploma, and has certificates in Health and Safety, and Ambulance and Emergency Care.

5. Barb Brady

Barb Brady of Port Perry was appointed to the Lakeridge Health Board of Trustees representing our four volunteer organizations in 2016.

Barb is a former Registered Nurse who worked for many years in the Emergency Department at the former Ajax-Pickering General Hospital. She retired 10 years ago from nursing and became a member of the Auxiliary to Lakeridge Health Port Perry. This is her second year as Auxiliary President.

Barb and her husband Jim have two grown children and seven grandkids. She is Director of Business for the Hospital Auxiliaries Association of Ontario and formerly sat on the Canterbury Common Resident Board and the Personal Attendant Care Board.

6. Jeffrey Beaton

Jeffrey Beaton is from Whitby, and is an active community volunteer.

Jeffrey lends his time to many local organizations including the Town of Whitby where he sits on the Accessibility Advisory Committee (ACC), the ACC's Built Environment & Site Plans Subcommittee, the Harbour Day Committee, and the 2015 Parapan Am Games 1-Year Countdown Subcommittee. He also sits on the program advisory committee for Durham College's Energy Management program and Horticulture program.

Jeffrey is a member of the Team Transplant Dragon Boat Team, and volunteers for special events for the kidney Foundation of Canada.

7. Sharon Cochran

Sharon Cochran, from Whitby, is serving her first term as member of the Board of Trustees for Lakeridge Health.

Sharon brings with her extensive experience in the post-secondary system and community corporate boards. She is the former Director of Faculty Bargaining Services for the Canadian Association of University Business Officers, which provides support in labour negotiations to Canadian Universities.

Sharon is a former Vice President of Special Projects and Vice President of Administration and Finance for the University of Northern British Columbia. She was also Associate Vice-President of Human Resources for the University of Saskatchewan and Director of Academic Relations for Simon Fraser University.

8. Thelson Desamour

Thelson Desamour is a litigation lawyer specializing in insurance matters, and was called to the Bar in Ontario in 2006. He is currently in-house counsel at Desjardins General Insurance Group, prior to which he served as in-house counsel at another national insurance company. Desamour has also served as a mediator with the Financial Services Commission of Ontario.

He was educated at the University of Windsor Faculty of Law and York University, achieving a bachelor of laws (LLB) and a bachelor of arts (BA), respectively. He is a former board member of the Canadian Association of Black Lawyers and has been published in Lawyers Weekly.

He has resided with his family in Scarborough and Pickering for over 30 years.

9. Ben Gray

Ben Gray lives in Port Perry where he also serves as a Board member for the North Durham Big Brothers and Big Sisters organization.

Ben is a corporate lawyer who has practiced in the pharmaceutical industry for the last 12 years. He is currently Vice President and General Counsel of Teva Canada Limited and a former Vice President and General Counsel of Mylan Pharmaceuticals ULC in Toronto.

10. Shane Hardy

Shane Hardy is a Partner at Cassels Brock & Blackwell LLP where he serves as Co-Chair of the business law group and Secretary of the partnership.

He was called to the bar of Ontario in 2002 and advanced quickly to partnership at Cassels Brock, where his practice focuses on intellectual property and brand management.

Shane resides with his young family in Ajax.

11. Donna Kingelin

Donna Kingelin of Haydon is a lifelong resident of Durham Region. She is extremely proud of her rural roots and proud to raise her four children in a rural community.

Donna is a Senior Executive who has dedicated her career to serving the elderly. She has held the position of Chief Operating Officer of Revera where she provided oversight to 26,000 employees and over 200 seniors' residences including long term care homes, skilled nursing facilities, assisted living residences, and independent retirement residences. She also was accountable for the home care division at Revera. In her most recent position as Managing Director for Holiday Corporation she was responsible for the Canadian portfolio of independent retirement communities. In these roles, she provided leadership in human resources, operations, financial management, program development, capital investment, and quality improvement.

Donna is a Registered Nurse and a member of the Institute of Corporate Directors. Her passion is to create high performance teams and deliver quality services and great results.

12. Stindar Lal

Stindar Lal, from Courtice, is a senior level executive and lawyer who brings with him over 35 years of experience in the private and public sector. He previously held the position of Deputy Minister of Justice for the Government of the Northwest Territories and was a Deputy Minister in six different Ministries within the Province of Ontario.

Stindar currently serves as Chair of the Arbitration Board for Land Claims Agreements between the Inuit of the Western Arctic and the Government of Canada and sits on the Durham Regional Police Services Board.

13. Alok Sethi

Alok Sethi is a seasoned banking professional, with over 20 years of progressive experience. Alok is currently a Director at BMO Capital Markets, where he has accountability over the execution of the governance and due diligence process for key initiatives within its Global Capital Markets business. Alok has significant experience in financial management, risk management, strategy development, policy, and governance oversight.

Alok holds a Certified Management Accountant (CMA) designation, and graduated with a Masters of Business Administration Degree from Brunel University (UK) and a Bachelors of Commerce Degree from McMaster University.

Over the last six years, Alok has been a strong proponent in the McMaster University's DeGroot Mentor Program, providing guidance to several students on career development, conflict resolution, and leadership skills.

14. Jeff Somerville

Jeff Somerville, of Whitby, is an international marketing and sales professional with more than 20 years of experience in biotechnology, medical devices, and pharmaceuticals.

A former running back for the Saskatchewan Roughriders Football Club, Jeff was a technical director for the International Olympic Committee Development Grant, and a crew member in Canada's challenge for the 1987 America's Cup.

15. Glen R. Uens

Glen R. Uens of Oshawa is a proud community member who lends his time and expertise to many local organizations.

For nearly 10 years, Glen served the Lakeridge Health Whitby Foundation as a member, executive and, most recently, as Board Chair. He was previously Board President for the United Way of Oshawa-Whitby-Clarington-Brock-Scugog and a board member for the Canadian National Institute for the Blind glow-ball tournament. Glen has actively supported many other local charities, including the Grandview Children's Centre and the Abilities Centre for Durham.

Glen was raised in Durham Region and studied business administration at Durham College before embarking on a career in the banking industry. He has worked locally for the majority of his 25-year career, and is currently a Branch Manager for Scotia bank at the Whitby Shores location. Glen has completed a number of banking-related courses as well as the Leadership program at York University's Schulich School of Business.

Outside of his community involvement, Glen enjoys playing sports. He's competed locally in racquetball, golf, basketball and hockey, and has participated in national championships for baseball and bowling.

16. Marek Ulanicki

Marek Ulanicki is Managing Director and Deputy, Credit in Group Risk Management at Royal Bank of Canada.

Marek began his career in 1986 with RBC in Toronto where he worked in Business Banking, Corporate Banking and Financial Institutions & Trade. In 1997 he was transferred to New York to join the relationship management team covering insurance companies. Marek returned to Toronto in 1999 to work at RBC Dominion Securities. In 2000 he joined GRM as Director in the Global Markets & Non-Bank Financial Institutions team. In 2011 he was appointed Managing Director, and in 2016 he was also made Deputy. Marek is a member of the Board of Directors and Treasurer of Central East Community Care Access Centre Foundation. In addition, from 2000 to 2005, he was a Member of the Board of Directors and the Finance & Audit Committee for Durham Access to Care, a not-for-profit organization.

Marek has a Bachelor of Arts-Honours (Economics) and Master of Business Administration, both from Queen's University.

Marek joined the Lakeridge Health Board in 2013 and has completed one three-year term as a Trustee.

17. Joan Wideman

Joan Wideman was appointed to the Rouge Valley Health System Board of Directors in 2007, and has actively participated on a number of committees: finance, governance and nominating, human resources, executive, and quality and risk, which she chaired from 2009 to 2011.

Joan is the Vice-President of Corporate Services for the Pickering-based Lenbrook Group of Companies, in wholesale distribution and global brand management of specialty entertainment products and communications equipment with operations in Canada, the USA, the United Kingdom, and Singapore. Joan's career with Lenbrook spans more than 30 years. She has served in various leadership roles including: Manager of Human Resources for more than 20 years, Manager of Information Technology and Administration, Vice-President of Employee Services, and for the past six years, as Vice-President of Corporate Services. As a Director and active member of the Ajax-Pickering Board of Trade (APBOT) for more than 25 years, she was President from 2004 to 2005, and Chair in 2006. Since 2006, Joan has also been a Director on the Durham West Arts Centre Foundation Board.

Joan has received several awards and appointments including: the first Community Leadership Award from the Pickering Rotary Club in 2002, Business Person of the Year in 2006, from the APBOT, as she completed her term as chair of the APBOT Council, and the 2010 Richard Dolphin Community Service award from the Ontario Chambers of Commerce.

Joan is the mother of four children, proud grandmother of four, and is active in her church. She enjoys gardening, music and travelling with her husband Dwight.

To review the Scarborough and Rouge Hospital Board of Directors, see separate backgrounder.



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