



2021 Board of Directors Election

Certified Candidate List

See attached for the Reston Association Elections Committee's certified list of individuals running for the four open RA Board of Directors seats:

- At-Large Director (3-year term)
- At-Large Director (3-year term)
- South Lakes District Director (3-year term)

At-Large Candidate (3-Year Term):

JOHN FARRELL

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Qualifications:

I've loved Reston since 1965. Like other 12 year olds, I was fascinated by coverage of the Gemini V mission sponsored by Gulf Oil. Gulf's ads featured Reston, a planned Virginia community. In the midst of the Massive Resistance era, Gulf touted Reston's housing for all socio-economic levels throughout a family's lifecycle and the absence of racial covenants

Those ads set my life's course: to study urban government in college and zoning and planning in law school. I moved to Reston in 1984 and raised 4 kids who attended Terraset, Hughes and South Lakes schools and RA camps. I've been President of Colonial Oaks Cluster and was President of Fairfax Girls Softball. In my law practice, I've represented Reston clusters and formed large homeowner associations in Northern Virginia. I've also been National President of Candlelighters Childhood Cancer Foundation, a parent support group of 40,000 members.

Goals:

My past service on RA's Parks and Planning Advisory Committee and the recent reserve study have convinced me that RA faces millions of dollars of capital expenses. That study ignores needed renovation of many 40+ year-old amenities, which will significantly increase the already recognized millions needed. RA's future capital needs must be accurately understood and funded.

The future residents of Reston represent both a challenge and opportunity. Our new neighbors will want recreational facilities different from what we have today: an indoor 50 meter pool and indoor tennis courts. Those facilities are best funded by the developers who will benefit from Reston's open space and amenities. They need to contribute money to help renovate RA's existing facilities and build Reston's future.

To obtain these additional funds, Reston needs an experienced, knowledgeable advocate. I offer these proven qualities for service on the Board.

At-Large Candidate (3-Year Term):

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Qualifications:

This year I had the honor to serve as one of your At-Large Representatives. I approached this role as I have approached being a small business owner - with gusto, outside the box thinking, and a focus on smart money management.

To succeed, RA leadership must know what members seek from the Association. To that end, I worked for the Board to increase its communication, outreach, and recognition that RA's priority must be you, your family, and our shared community.

I love that our Reston community is much more than shared zip codes. When COVID hit and the struggle for civil rights and justice came to the forefront, I founded RESTONSTRONG and organized more than 5000 neighbors for community action including a peaceful demonstration and no-contact donation pods. I serve on the GMU School of Music Board, foster for LostDogRescue.org, and now help my 5th-grade Terraset Tiger with distance-learning.

Goals:

- Fiscal Responsibility and Accountability
 - The Board's most important duty is its fiduciary duty to members to ensure our money is spent wisely.
 - Smart money management means the effective use of available resources, including the ongoing engagement of RA's Fiscal Committee.
 - This is my first priority. If I am privileged to serve you, I will continue to insist that the Board and staff be accountable to members.
- Greater Transparency and Communication
 - I will continue to ensure RA disseminates necessary documents and reports sufficiently prior to board/committee meetings to allow meaningful membership participation.
 - I will ensure RA has a USER-friendly and cost-efficient website.
 - I will also work with staff to improve two-way communications with members.
- Action-Oriented Leadership
 - I will continue to use my skill set as a successful small business owner for creative, forward-looking, fact-based problem-solving where consensus building, communication, and firm deadlines will be key.

At-Large Candidate (3-Year Term):

TIMOTHY J. DOWLING

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Qualifications:

I am a retired attorney with extensive relevant experience. I served as Chief Counsel of Community Rights Counsel, a public interest law firm that represented municipalities in challenges to land use laws and other community protections. I also worked at the Justice Department's Environment Division, and was a Judicial Officer at U.S. EPA. I am proud to live in a community where environmental stewardship is a core value. Moreover, I was a supervisor in the FBI office charged with ensuring that FBI personnel meet the highest standards of ethics and integrity.

My family has lived in Reston since 1982. My recent volunteer activities include helping immigrants prepare for their citizenship exam, which was a privilege that deepened my sensitivity to the priorities of our diverse community. In sum, my professional, volunteer, and life experiences have prepared me well to help lead a vibrant, multicultural community like Reston.

Goals:

I want to serve on RA's Board of Directors to preserve what makes Reston so special. Having lived in Reston for nearly 40 years, my wife and I now watch our grandkids enjoy its parkland, pools, and other amenities. We benefited tremendously from the service of prior Board members, and my main goal is to provide the next generation with the same strong, diverse, and beautiful community we all cherish.

Specifically, I want to ensure responsible fiscal oversight, protect our open spaces, maintain our pools and capital assets, and preserve Reston's lakes, tree canopy and other natural resources. Reston's environmental stewardship is especially important now as we address the existential threat of climate change. Too many landowners benefit from our covenants but falsely assert they have the "right" to ignore them. We need to find workable solutions that honor Reston's core values while respecting legitimate expectations.

At-Large Candidate (3-Year Term):

VINCENT DORY

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Qualifications:

My professional experience as a programmer will assist me in solving all technology questions or issues that come up for the board. I was also the president of my fraternity when I attended university, which has given me invaluable experience in organizational skills, managing volunteers, and handling an organization's finances. I am also a current member of the Fairfax County Tax

Goals:

My primary concern will be to preserve and protect the core principles of Reston's unique planning and design. I will work tirelessly to ensure the Reston we all live in is as close to the vision that drove our community's creation. The financial health of the Association will also be of great importance, so that our community can provide all of the important amenities and services for current and future Restonians. My technology experience will also be used to ensure the new website and other technology assets the membership uses are efficient, usable, and reliable.

South Lakes District Director Candidate (3-Year Term):

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Qualifications:

I am passionate about our Association, a full-time working mom, resident since 2014 and believe we can do better by our members.

Collaborator, facilitator, steward of resources and knowledgeable of South Lakes issues – qualities needed for leadership on the Board and align with my strengths.

- Work for an association overseeing HR, Technology and Operations.
- Manage budgets over \$20m.
- Participates in County land use matters. Serves on Comprehensive Plan Taskforce, member of Coalition for a Planned Reston.
- Co-founder Save our Sunrise – South Lakes group focused on issues along Sunrise Valley Drive, including Campus Commons, Lake Thoreau pool and lake concerns, zMod and Wiehle Pedestrian Crossing.
- Mother and full-time worker – nothing demonstrates the ability to balance more than that.
- Regular participation at RA board and committee meetings for years. Well versed in its governance, financial position, future challenges, and staff.
- Generator of action with the county, developers, and citizens.
- Certified Association Executive

Goals:

1. **FISCAL RESPONSIBILITY:** Maintaining reasonable budgets, expenses and assessments is essential.
2. **RESOURCES:** Maximize RA resources, both monetarily and strategically, to achieve greater value of our amenities.
3. **COMMUNICATION:** Increase and implement 2-way communication methods, between RA staff, board, committees and the membership to make informed decisions. Communicate with members where they are and on topics that are of interest to them.
4. **COLLABORATION:** Foster a positive working relationship between RA, RCC, Fairfax County and other other institutions that provide programs, services and amenities to Reston citizens to maximize the availability, limit overlap and provide greater value to the whole community.
5. **ADVOCACY:** Be a voice of influence in development, the Comprehensive Plan, infrastructure, zoning, environmental impacts, especially our lakes, as well as public health initiatives for the benefit of RA members.