

OVER THE RHINE

COMMUNITY COUNCIL

2015 – 2017 OTRCC Board of Trustees Nomination Form

Your name: _____John Donaldson_____

The OTRCC Board of Trustees provides leadership to the community council; plans OTRCC meetings and events; attends to OTRCC business between meetings; assures that finances are managed appropriately; works with the City of Cincinnati, OTR organizations and other community councils; and other organizations as needed or required. Trustees may represent the OTRCC to the public

Trustees are elected for a two-year term. The board of trustees elects the president, vice president, secretary and treasurer from their members. Trustees are expected to attend all board and community council meetings and manage and/or volunteer for OTRCC projects. All trustees are expected to be familiar with the by-laws and hold each other accountable to fulfill their duties and responsibilities. Unexcused absences result in removal from office (By-Laws IV-7).

What gifts/skills will you bring to the board of trustees?

- I have lived in OTR since 1999 and downtown since 1993
- I am a father of 3 children ages 4, 8, 11
- I have a bachelor's degree in Electrical Engineering
- I was a senior manager in the following companies:
 - 10 years with Procter and Gamble (led multi-million dollar global initiatives)
 - 4 years with IBM (Head of IT globally for P&G's back office BPO)
 - 4 years with Kroger
- Managed 42 low income housing units for 6 years
- I volunteer as
 - A youth basketball coach in the West End
 - A youth soccer coach for North Avondale
 - A youth soccer coach for Clifton
 - Organizer of annual father/son & mother daughter outings for North Avondale
- I have served on the OTR CC Board in the past.
- I am an active resident who has led many transforming initiatives to reduce crime and blight in OTR.
 - Initiated and partnered with the Hamilton County commissioners and the Sheriff to get \$12 million to fund jail space and Sheriff Patrols in OTR.
 - Initiated a partnership with the Sheriff to provide inmate clean ups.
 - Presented the initial proposal of the street car to City council.
 - Led and participated several neighbor clean-ups in OTR, the West End, and Clifton
 - I am co-founder of the OTR Brewery District.
 - Participated in the efforts to save Rothenberg
 - Started the OTR Citizens on Patrol
 - Led the initiative to crack down on illegal CD's and DVD's in Cincinnati, resulting in a record bust.

What are some things that you would like to work on and to see happen during your term as a trustee?
Serving on the OTR board is my way to give back to the community that I love. I would like find ways to make the community council more inviting to residents. I would like meetings to be more interesting and relevant. I believe that resident's time away from their families is valuable therefore our meetings should be concise and relevant to issues that most effect citizens in OTR. I would like to improve the credibility of the OTR CC by supporting transparency and improving consistency of our direction.

Your contact information:

Address: _532 Conroy_____ OTR resident? (circle one) Y N

Telephone number: __381-8299_____ Number of years OTRCC member: __10?__

Please complete and email this page to otrccboard@googlegroups.com.

Thank you for your interest in the OTRCC Board of Trustees.

By-Laws of the Over-the-Rhine Community Councils, Inc.
Amended and Approved July 30, 2012

Article IV. Board of Trustees

Article IV-1. The thirteen trustees of the community council shall consist of the president, vice president, secretary, treasurer and nine at-large trustees. These officers and trustees shall form the board of trustees and perform the duties prescribed in these by-laws.

Article IV-2. The board of trustees will conduct emergency business of the community council between meetings of the members. A quorum shall consist of seven trustees in attendance at any meeting.

Article IV-3. The membership, by majority vote, may grant additional decision-making power to the board of trustees or revoke any decision-making power from the board of trustees.

Article IV-4. All actions taken by the board of trustees will be submitted to the membership for ratification no later than the next regular member meeting.

Article IV-5. No member may hold more than one office at the same time. Effective April 25, 2011, no member may serve more than three consecutive terms as a trustee.

Article IV-6. The board of trustees will, at all times, be subject to the decisions of the membership and none of the board's actions shall conflict with any actions taken by the membership.

Article IV-7. Trustees shall attend all board meetings. Unexcused absences from four board meetings per two-year term will result in removal from office.

Article IV-8. Any five members may petition to have any officer or trustee recalled for cause. Once the secretary receives written notice listing the grievances, written notice shall be given to the membership at least fourteen days prior to the next regular meeting, and the recall petition shall become the first order of business at that regular meeting. Members may recall a sitting officer by a two-thirds majority vote, after due deliberation, at the next regular meeting.