

Democracy Federal Credit Union Board Elections Notice

Thursday, July 29, 2021

11:00 AM EST

Via Zoom Video Conference

84th Annual Meeting of Members & Board of Directors Election Notice

Democracy Federal Credit Union's Annual Meeting will be held virtually via Zoom on July 29, 2021. The meeting will begin at 11:00 AM. Registration is required. Please note that instructions on how to register for the virtual event will be forthcoming.

In accordance with Democracy Federal Credit Union's Bylaws, the Secretary of the Board hereby submits the following Annual Election Notice to membership:

Nominations for vacancies may also be made by petition signed by 1% of the members with a minimum of 20 and a maximum of 500. Each nominee by petition must submit a brief statement of qualifications and biographical data. All petitions must be sent to the Democracy Federal Credit Union at following address by **June 16, 2021:**

**P.O. Box 25516,
Alexandria, VA 22313-5516**

Nominations by petition must be accompanied by a signed certificate from the nominee or nominees stating that they are agreeable to the nomination and will serve if elected to office.

There will be no nominations from the floor during the meeting. Please view the following list of incumbent directors that have been slated for election by the Nominating Committee.

Incumbent Nominees

Four (4) seats on the Board of Directors will be expiring. The following incumbent directors have been slated for election by the Nominating Committee:

Patricia Ellis (3-Year Term) - Joined the Board of Directors of DEMOCRACY FCU in 1981. Chairman of DEMOCRACY FCU Board of Directors, 1984-1987 and currently. Former Chair of the Supervisory Committee, 1982-1984; One of four inductees nationwide into the Credit Union Executives Society Volunteer Hall of Fame in 2010. Named to the Quarter Century Honor Roll of the NAFCU for service to the credit union movement. Retired from the former Office of Personnel Administration, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, after 32 years of service. Member of Peoples Congregational United Church of Christ volunteering in various church and community outreach programs such as the Food Pantry Program; fundraiser and supporter of the Vacation Bible School Program; supporter of the

Sasha Bruce Network which helps teenagers living in DC-area shelters to remain involved, focused and encouraged in their studies and other healthy pursuits; Serve as a Director on the Washington Jazz Arts Institute (WJAI) Board, a non-profit org teaching student musicians in jazz music performance and academic success. Member of DEMOCRACY FCU since 1967.

Lolita Priestly McLean (3-Year Term) - Joined the Board of Directors of DEMOCRACY FCU in 2013; Vice Chair of Board of Directors since 2018. Former member of the Supervisory Committee. Employed with the Social Security Administration's (SSA) as a Deputy Division Chief Administrative Appeals Judge with the Office of Appellate Operations in the Office of Analytics, Review and Oversight; at the SSA, also served in previous positions: Appeals Officer as well as Acting Equal Employment Opportunity Branch Chief. Prior to working at SSA, she was a trial attorney in the State of New Jersey. Member of DEMOCRACY FCU since 2006.

Donna Scott (3-Year Term) - Joined the Board of Directors of DEMOCRACY FCU in 2018. Former Supervisory Committee member for over 25 years. Spent entire career (48 years) in the federal government working at the US Department of Education and US Department of Interior eventually retiring from the Smithsonian Institute as the Assistant Director for the National Museum of American Indians. Participated in various credit union functions & charitable events. Attended James Madison and George Washington Universities. Serves as Board President of the Virginia Hospital Center. Auxiliary. Member of DEMOCRACY FCU since 1961.

Lester Austin (2-Year Term) - Joined the Board of Directors of DEMOCRACY FCU in 2018. Served as the Senior Public Affairs Specialist for the Social Security Administration (SSA) for 41 years (Ret.). Planned, developed, and implemented all major media/special interest group contacts for the SSA throughout DC Metro area. As a public servant developed long-standing working relationships with the Office of the Mayor of the District of Columbia, the DC City Council, the District of Columbia School Board, Congresswomen Eleanor Holmes-Norton, and the District of Columbia Office on Aging. Member of DEMOCRACY FCU since 1975.

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