



NOMINATIONS FOR OPPI COUNCIL 2011 - 2012

Introduction

The Nominating Committee of the Ontario Professional Planners Institute is pleased to present the following candidates for election to the Council of OPPI for the term 2011-2013. In accordance with section 10 of the OPPI By-law, a call for nominations was issued in February 2011. As such, the following candidates are acclaimed.

ACCLAIMED CANDIDATES

President-Elect	Paul Stagl, MCIP, RPP
Eastern District Representative	Rory Baksh, MCIP, RPP
Lakeland District Representative	Robert Armstrong, MCIP, RPP
Northern District Representative	Donald McConnell, MCIP, RPP
Oak Ridges District Representative	Robert Short, MCIP, RPP
Southwest District Representative	TBA
Toronto District Representative	David Oikawa, MCIP, RPP
Western Lake Ontario District Rep.	Bill Janssen, MCIP, RPP

2011-2012 ELECTION FOR OPPI COUNCIL PROFILES OF ACCLAIMED CANDIDATES

PRESIDENT-ELECT

Paul Stagl, MCIP, RPP



Objectives as President-Elect:

The majority of my practice has coincided with the first 25 years of OPPI and I've benefited greatly from the professionalism and the leadership advanced on my behalf by numerous OPPI volunteers. A great number of OPPI's current members will experience the majority of their respective careers during the next 25 years, a time when OPPI and CIP will

continue to experience a challenging array of changes. I wish to contribute my time during this watershed period to ensure that OPPI's next 25 years continues to move forward with a strong OPPI presence, to the benefit of its current and future members.

Education and Employment History:

Education:

1974 B.A.A. (Urban Planning),
Ryerson Polytechnical Institute

Experience:

1972-1974 Consulting assignments:
Kates Peat Marwick & Company;
Canadian Real Estate Research Corp.;
E. G. Faludi & Associates;
City of Stuttgart (Germany) Planning Department;

1974-1979 City of North York, Department of Planning and
Development, Planner, then Development
Control Senior Planner;

1974-1985 Ryerson Polytechnical Institute -
Part-time and Guest lecturer;

1979-1980 Marshall Macklin Monaghan Limited,
Chief Municipal Planner;

1980-1984 Marshall Macklin Monaghan Limited,
Chief Planner & Associate;

1984 IBI Group, Associate;

1985-1991 IBI Group & BIA Associates, Director and Partner;

1989-1990 Arendscor Inc. (management contract)
Interim Senior Vice President;

1989-1991 Prophetic Non-Profit Homes (Richmond Hill) Inc.,
Chairman;

1989 to present Opus Management Inc., President
(Opus is a planning services firm)

OPPI Membership and Volunteer Experience:

1976 Full Member CIP;

1975-77 Member (volunteer), Programme Committee,
Central Ontario Chapter, CIP;

1978-80 Vice- President, Ontario Association of Planners;

1980-82 Director, Central Ontario Chapter, CIP;

1980-82 Chairman, Membership Committee,
Central Ontario Chapter, CIP;

1982-84 Chairman, Central Ontario Chapter, CIP;

1982-84 Treasurer, Ontario Association of Planners;

1984-85 Vice-President, Ontario Association of Planners;

1984-85 National Director, Canadian Institute of Planners;

1987-2004 Membership Examiner, OPPI;

2004 Vice-Chairman, Discipline Committee, OPPI;

2004-2009 Chairman, Discipline Committee, OPPI;

2007-2008 OPPI Representative, Working Group -
Competency National Membership Committee:
National Continuous Improvement Project;

2010-present OPPI Representative, Working Group -
Written Examination "A",
Membership Outreach Committee.

Membership in Other Associations & Volunteer Work:

2004-present Lambda Alpha International
(Simcoe Chapter) Member

2001-2005 Seneca College York/Gate Campus
Liaison Committee

1983-85 Urban Development Institute,
York Region Chapter - Treasurer

1981-84 Association of Consulting Planners
(Intergovernmental Committee)

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EASTERN DISTRICT REPRESENTATIVE

Rory Baksh, MCIP, RPP



Objectives as Eastern District Representative:

To further advance important work which is underway:

- improving the alignment of Eastern District activities and communication to OPPI's Strategic Plan
- foster and support Planning for the Future, and generally working to raise the status and recognition of the profession of planners
- making linkages and liaison with other local professional chapters (ITE, etc.)
- ensure continuity and provide Council oversight for the 2011 OPPI Conference
- to bridge long-standing distance and practice gaps among the diversity of members in one of OPPI's largest geographic districts
- to provide opportunities for our members to make connections, learn, and prosper
- to uphold my fiduciary responsibilities as a member of OPPI Council

Education and Employment History:

1998	Bachelor's of Applied Arts (Urban and Regional Planning), Ryerson University
1996-1998	Teaching Assistant, Ryerson School of Planning
1997	Student Planner (placement), Town of Halton Hills
1997	Student Planner (summer), Pound Stewart & Stein
1998-2003	Planner & Project Manager, Dillon Consulting Limited
2003-Present	Associate, Senior Planner & Project Manager, Dillon Consulting,

Self-taught in GIS, CAD, graphic design, website design, and desktop publishing

OPPI Membership and Volunteer Experience:

- Student member since 1998
- Authored an article for the Journal (W. A. Gummo, L. Newman) in 1999/2000
- Regular Examiner for Exam A panels for many years in Toronto, and subsequently in Ottawa
- Reviewer for many log submissions
- Currently Eastern District Rep (2008-2010)
- Scheduled for two presentations at the upcoming 2011 OPPI Conference

Membership in Other Associations & Volunteer Work:

- Proud to be exclusively a member of OPPI!

Volunteer experience:

- Ryerson Association of Planning Students (1996-1998), including the first ever student to be President while in 3rd year (1997)
- Ryerson Planning Alumni (1998-mid 2000's)
- Ottawa Chapter of Ryerson University Alumni (2007-current)

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LAKELAND DISTRICT REPRESENTATIVE

Robert Armstrong, MCIP, RPP



Objectives as Lakeland District Representative:

With the pending approval of PFF and potential self regulation, The Planning Profession will be looking to OPPI as a leader to bring the profession to a heightened profile. Together with the implementation of the new communication strategy, the next few years will be

challenging and exciting for the Institute. In this regard, I would like to continue to be on the OPPI Council team over the next couple of years to lead these initiatives. In addition, there is a lot of outstanding work I would still like to accomplish in uniting and engaging our fairly recent established District.

Education and Employment History:

I am a graduate of the Urban Design Program Co-op at Fanshawe College (1985) and have been employed as a Planner since 1989 with the County of Grey, Town of the Blue Mountains and currently the Municipality of Meaford as Director of Planning and Building. I was the Senior Planner at The Blue Mountains from 2003 to 2008. I was also a partner in a Planning Consulting firm in Collingwood for six months in 2009.

OPPI Membership and Volunteer Experience:

I became a full member in 1999 and was a provisional member six years prior to that. I have been a membership sponsor for about 10 years, chaired the 2007 OPPI Conference at Blue Mountain Resorts, sat on the Outreach Committee as the Lakeland Rep and am the current District Rep.

Membership in Other Associations & Volunteer Work:

I am a member of the Canadian Association of Certified Planning Technicians (CACPT) and was President of this organization in the early 90's.

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NORTHERN DISTRICT REPRESENTATIVE

Donald McConnell, MCIP, RPP



Objectives as Northern District Representative:

I have always promoted cooperation and collaboration among OPPI Members in Northern Ontario. Serving on OPPI Council has given me a better understanding of the opportunities available to promote OPPI, our membership and the planning profession.

I look forward to continuing to support the objectives of our strategic plan and other initiatives in Northern Ontario.

Education and Employment History:

I received my Bachelor of Environmental Studies degree from the University of Waterloo in 1978. Since that time I have completed numerous courses in planning, economic development and management studies. I have been employed as a municipal planner for 33 years, the last 13 as Planning Director for the City of Sault Ste. Marie. I have extensive experience in all aspects of planning and development.

OPPI Membership and Volunteer Experience:

I first joined the former Northern Ontario Chapter of the Canadian Institute of Planners in 1978. I served as the Treasurer of the NOC-CIP District in the mid 1980's and was a member of the 1985 CIP National Conference Organizing Committee that hosted the Sustainable Community Conference in Sudbury. I was a member of the OPPI Discipline Committee from 2002 to 2004 and served on the Excellence in Planning Awards jury panel for several years. I am currently completing my first term as a Director on the OPPI Council representing Northern Ontario.

Membership in Other Associations & Volunteer Work:

Not currently. I was previously a member of the Economic Developers Council of Ontario.

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OAK RIDGES DISTRICT

REPRESENTATIVE

Robert Short, MCIP, RPP



Objectives as Oak Ridges District Representative:

- Administrative and practical experiences that I can share in an effort to strengthen the profession at large and the role and profile of the Oak Ridges District to its members.
- A willingness to encourage and listen to proposals for change.

- Assist at the District level in promoting the objectives of OPPI and implementation of the Strategic Plan.

Education and Employment History:

Bachelor of Applied Arts - Urban Planning - Ryerson
Graduation Year - 1973

Distant Past Employer - North York

I am a current employee of the Town of Whitby with 37 years of experience. I have been at the senior management level for 33 years and in the position of Planning Director for 31 years.

OPPI Membership & Volunteer Experience:

I have been a strong advocate of professional development in a manner that joins municipal planners with the community, and the planner with other professional groups for the development of healthier communities and an awareness of larger global issues. This has been done through organizing staff training or educational events that can be shared with colleagues from adjacent municipalities as well as the public and colleagues through World Town Planning events. Private sector participation in many of these events has been included to provide a fuller spectrum of the areas of expertise in both the public and private sector. The most recent event was a symposium on sustainable development with guest Avi Friedman with a full range of professions attending and a community presentation on same.

- Chair - Oak Ridges District

Membership in Other Associations & Volunteer Work:

Full-time commitment to OPPI and CIP

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WESTERN LAKE ONTARIO

DISTRICT REPRESENTATIVE

Bill Janssen, MCIP, RPP



Objectives as Western Lake Ontario District Representative:

In my past experience as a volunteer with OPPI, I've enjoyed working with the terrific staff and my peers and wish to continue to do so in another role. In addition, I wish to contribute my time and knowledge to the Planning Profession, which has supported me throughout my career.

Education and Employment History:

I have a Bachelor of Environmental Studies (Urban and Regional Planning) from the University of Waterloo.

I have over 30 years of progressively responsible planning experience in a municipal environment, within the City of Hamilton. Currently, I am the Director of Strategic Services/Special Projects within the Planning and Economic Development Department in the City of Hamilton, responsible for the implementation of Provincial Policy, the development of the new Official Plan and Comprehensive Zoning By-law, as well as our sustainability and air quality programs. In past positions I have been responsible for policy planning, secondary and community plans, natural and cultural heritage planning and urban design, both on a Regional and local level. In the distant past I have also held the position of General Manager of the Municipal non-Profit (Hamilton) Housing Corporation.

OPPI Membership & Volunteer Experience:

- OPPI member for approximately 25 years.
- Volunteer work includes:
 - Past Excellence in Planning Awards Judge
 - Conference program Chair and organizing member
 - Recognition and Nomination Committees member
 - Member of the Western Lake Ontario District Executive

Membership in Other Associations & Volunteer Work:

I have volunteered with a number of non-profit agencies including the Hamilton and District Social and Research Council, Wesley Community Homes and Brant Community Homes and have held a variety of Board positions including President and Vice-President.

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TORONTO DISTRICT REPRESENTATIVE

David Oikawa, MCIP, RPP



Objectives as Toronto District Representative:

I am interested in improving the relationship of the City of Toronto's City Planning Division and OPPI. The Toronto District of OPPI is in a unique position, as it contains only one municipality and thus only one municipal planning department. The City Planning Division is one of the largest in Canada with over 300 staff

members. As a manager in the City's Planning Division, I feel that I am in a good position to further this relationship.

If elected to a second term as the Toronto District Rep of OPPI, I would continue to work to increase membership from the City Planning Division to OPPI and to increase their involvement in the Institute. I believe that OPPI has a duty to provide value to its members and I would work to continue to improve the program events and services offered to members of the Toronto District. In the past two years, under my leadership, the Toronto District has offered: two walking tours (railway lands and public art), five program night events (including: mid-rise guidelines, tall buildings guidelines, age-friendly planning, healthy communities), two successful winter socials, two world town planning day events and two major student outreach events.

In addition, the Toronto District has three universities offering planning programs. I would strive to continue to actively involve student representatives in the Toronto Executive and to continue efforts to recruit student members to ensure their early involvement in the Institute.

Education and Employment History:

Bachelor of Environmental Studies - Urban and Regional Planning - University of Waterloo

Master of Public Administration - University of Western Ontario

October 1998-Current - Manager Community Planning, City of Toronto

April 1997-Oct 1998 - Director of Planning, Borough of East York

March 1995-April 1997 - Manager of Planning, Borough of East York

May 1991-March 1995 - Senior Planner, Borough of East York

May 1988-May 1991 - Manager of Planning and Development, Alterra Developments Ltd.

Oct 1986-May 1988 - Senior Planner, City of Hamilton

April 1980-Oct 1986 - Junior Planner, Region of Hamilton Wentworth

OPPI Membership & Volunteer Experience:

Full member of CIP since June 19, 1984

2005-2007: Member, Policy Development Committee

2008-2009: Member, Toronto District Executive Committee

2010-2011: Toronto District Representative

Volunteer: 2005 OPPI Conference in Hamilton-Burlington

Membership in Other Associations & Volunteer Work:

Member (Level III) Ontario Municipal Management Institute

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SOUTHWEST DISTRICT REPRESENTATIVE

TBA