

NOMINATIONS TO COUNCIL

The MAC Executive has approved the nomination of the following candidates for the Vice President position for 2020-2022 and for the two positions of councillor for 2020–2023. According to our by-laws, additional nominations to any or all elected offices may be submitted no later than May 21, 2020 to the chair of the Nominating Committee, Andrew M. McDonald, at the following address:

Andrew M. McDonald

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Each nomination must be supported by five voting members and accompanied by full documentation (confirmation of acceptance by the candidates to let their names stand as well as a half page curriculum vitae for each candidate). If, no other nominations are received by May 21, the candidates shall be declared elected by acclamation. If more than one candidate has been nominated for any office, instructions to vote online will be provided by May 27. The result of the vote shall be tabulated as of May 31 and announced by the Secretary forthwith.

VICE PRESIDENT (2020-2022)

Dan Marshall (Simon Fraser University)

Dan is a professor at Simon Fraser University in Vancouver. He graduated from Carleton University in Ottawa with an MSc in 1990, and in 1995 received a DSc from the University of Lausanne in Switzerland. He has extensive experience in economic geology, ore petrology and fluid inclusions. He is the lead author on the Ore Mineral Atlas, and has been awarded numerous grants, awards and medals including the Hawley, Robinson, and CIM Distinguished Lecturer. Additionally, Dan has been P.I. and supervised students on a number of academic, government and industry led projects.

COUNCILLORS (2020–2023)

Fred Ford (Vale Canada Ltd)

Fred has been practicing applied mineralogy at Vale and its predecessor company Inco for the last 23 years. He holds degrees in Earth Science from Carleton University (Ph.D. and M.Sc. in metamorphic petrology) and an honors B.Sc. degree in Geological Science from Queens University. He specializes in quantitative mineralogy, using either electron microscopy (the Mineral Liberation Analyzer) or X-ray diffraction (Rietveld analysis using TOPAS). Other professional interests include microanalysis of silicate, oxide and sulfide minerals by energy and wavelength dispersive spectroscopy. In off hours, Fred enjoys gardening around the house and going on camping adventures with his wife and three children, where all have been involuntarily dragged into expeditions ranging from amethyst mines near Thunder Bay to andalusite hunting on the coast in Nova Scotia.

Fred Gaidies (Carleton University)

Fred is Associate Professor of mineralogy and metamorphic petrology at Carleton University. He received his PhD in 2017 from University of Basel (Switzerland) where he studied under the supervision of Christian de Capitani and Rainer Abart. His research focuses on a better understanding of fundamental processes during metamorphic petrogenesis such as diffusion, nucleation and crystal growth and how they influence the development of metamorphic microstructure. He is actively involved in the development of tectono-metamorphic and petrochronological models for the formation of various mountain belts, including the Sikkim Himalaya (NE India), the Eastern European Alps, the Yukon-Tanana terrane, the Grenville Province of SE Ontario, and the Caledonides of northern Norway. He is the director of the X-ray micro-CT and EPMA laboratories at Carleton University.