

BACKGROUNDER

2012 BC Summer Games Sports

Athletics (including Special Olympics)
Baseball
Basketball (Boys and Girls)
Canoe Kayak
Diving
Equestrian (including Para)
Field Hockey (Girls)
Golf
Inline Hockey
Lacrosse – Box and Field
Rowing
Rugby (Boys and Girls)
Sailing
Soccer (Boys and Girls)
Softball (Boys and Girls)
Swimming (including Para and Special Olympics)
Synchronized Swimming
Towed Water Sports
Triathlon
Volleyball – Beach & Indoor (Boys and Girls)
Wrestling

2012 BC Summer Games Board of Directors

Bill McNamara – President

Bill has been a resident of Surrey since 1970. He and his wife Carole have a daughter, Cheryl, son Michael and two grandchildren. Bill had a distinguished career with the Surrey Fire Department, first starting in 1970 as a volunteer and then retiring as the Assistant Fire Chief in 1999. Sports have been a large part of Bill's life. He is currently training for the 2011 World Masters Track & Field Championships in the 400m and 800m races and the 2011 World Police & Fire Games. He has competed in all twelve World Police & Fire Games in track and field, indoor rowing and stair climb winning a total of 32 medals. He coached his daughter's softball and soccer teams and was Softball Commissioner for the Guildford Athletic Club. He has multi sport games planning experience from his role as Co-chair of the 2001 Surrey BC Senior Games. In 2010 Bill received a Surrey Good Citizen of the Year award for his many contributions. He is currently a member of the North Surrey Lions Club, secretary of the Surrey Professional Fire Fighters Pioneer Association, on the board of directors for the 2012 Surrey International World Music Marathon and committee member for the Centre for Child Development's annual Run, Walk & Roll for our kids' fundraiser. Bill brings great leadership and sport event planning experience to these Games.

Councillor Linda Hepner – Co-Chair

Councillor Linda Hepner was born and educated in the Maritimes and moved to Surrey in 1984. She worked at the City of Surrey for more than 20 years and retired as the City's Manager of Economic Development Department prior to her election as Councillor in 2005. Councillor Hepner believes

that cities are important job generators and Co-Chaired the first Surrey Regional Economic Summit. The Summit was a partnership between the City of Surrey and the Surrey Board of Trade and brought together business leaders and investors from across the region to discuss how to attract new jobs and investment to Surrey. She is a strong supporter of the development of Surrey's new Transportation Plan and is committed to working for light rail public transit options in traffic corridors. Under her leadership as prior Chair of the Parks and Community Services Committee, Surrey acquired the landmark Camp Kwomais in South Surrey for parkland for all the residents and she is a strong supporter of Surrey's new Ecosystem Management Plan. She is proud that no land has been removed from the Agricultural Land Reserve for residential, commercial or industrial development during her term on Council and has advocated for the inclusion of approximately 468 acres into the regional Green Zone as conservation/recreational area. Councillor Hepner has spearheaded the continued economic development of Surrey's City Centre through the organization of the annual Regional Economic Summit and advancing the Mayor's Investment Action Plan, the Clean Energy & Technology Action Plan, and has represented Surrey on a regional level through ongoing participation on the Metro Vancouver Board of Directors and five Metro Vancouver committees. Councillor Hepner has volunteer experience with Victim Services, the Child Development Centre, the United Way and the Surrey Firefighter's Charitable Foundation.

Kevin DeBoice, M.Ed, B.Pe. – Director of Accommodation

Currently Principal of Elgin Park Secondary Surrey School District, Kevin lives in Surrey and is married to Mariana and they have three children Quentin, Spencer and Ashtyn. Kevin has been involved in sport either as an athlete, coach or administrator for over 40 years. His first experience with the BC Summer Games was as manager of the boy's gold medal soccer team in Kamloops in 2006. Kevin brings a strong background for administering, organizing, and maintaining operations of major events. Through his involvement on the board of directors of BC School Sports, President of Surrey Secondary School Athletic Association, director of many tournaments of various sports he looks forward to this new challenge. As a proud resident of Surrey he hopes to help the city make the 2012 games the best they can be for all who participate. As a school district employee he is also very proud. The school district's support is also paramount for the success of the 2012 BC Summer Games.

Gary Youngman – Director of Administration

Gary has been a resident of Surrey for most of his life where he played soccer, baseball, and basketball. With his wife Debra Hoggan they have two adult children Kanil and Asia who are currently attending UBC and UVic respectively. Gary has extensive experience as a lawyer, businessperson, negotiator, and mediator. He practiced law in Alberta and British Columbia, specializing in aboriginal rights and title, energy, taxation and business law, and treaty and self-government negotiations. Gary has served in senior positions in government, the corporate and not-for-profit sectors, and currently focuses on resolving issues between First Nations and major projects in British Columbia. These projects have included the \$1.2 billion SkyTrain Millennium Line, the Canada Line, and the Vancouver 2010 Olympics where, as a member of the Senior Management Committee, he led the strategy to achieve unprecedented Aboriginal participation in the Games. Gary is currently a member of the Canadian and Indigenous Bar Associations.

Bonnie Burnside – Director of Ceremonies

For the past six years, Bonnie has worked with the Downtown Surrey Business Improvement Association as Manager of Special Events and Communications. Through her position with the DSBA, Bonnie is involved with many of the major City of Surrey events as well as numerous community events. Prior to this position, Bonnie was manager of Stardust Skating Centres (Richmond, Surrey and North Vancouver). While at Stardust, Bonnie's duties included the administration of the Stardust Rink Rats Roller Hockey League. Bonnie is a founding member of the BC Inline Hockey Association and her first involvement in the BC Summer Games was in 2006 when Inline Hockey was introduced. In her spare time, Bonnie is President of the Whalley Community

Association, Vice President of BC Inline Hockey Association, Vice President-Operations of NIHA-Canada, board member of the Arts Council of Surrey; Vice President of the Surrey Christmas Bureau; an active member of the North Surrey Lions Club and continues to oversee the Stardust Kids on Wheels Inschool roller skating program.

Havi Parker-Sutton – Director of Communications

Havi is a Senior Account Manager in TELUS Customer Solutions responsible for Municipalities. She is a CHRP Candidate and has 15 years experience as a Sales and Business Development Leader in challenging and diversified environments ranging from Corporate, Small-Mid Size Business to Non-Profit. Actively engaged in the community, Havi is currently a Mentor for Dress for Success Professional Women's Group. She has held several board positions and has been actively engaged in sport, including coaching Track and Field and playing on a women's soccer team. Havi is married and her two daughters have played various sports – soccer, basketball, softball, volleyball, and field hockey for years. She volunteered for the BC Winter Games in Smithers and is very excited about actively volunteering for the BC Summer Games in Surrey.

Linda Creighton – Director of Food Services

Linda Creighton was the first baby born in North Vancouver on January 1st in Canada's Centennial year. In 2004, Linda moved to Cloverdale where she now resides with her two children. She has played an active role in the food service industry for over 25 years in many different capacities. "I always knew that customer service was what I was born to do ever since I was 15 years old and worked with McDonalds Restaurants and had to look for places within my polyester uniform to place the tips I had received.", says Linda. McDonalds Restaurants was where her career began and today Linda is employed by Sodexo Canada and is the Operations Manager at the University of the Fraser Valley. She held a position on the Board of Directors for the BC Chefs' Association for two years and was also the first woman voted onto the Board of Directors for the BC Produce Marketing Association in 21 years. Sport has always been an important parts of Linda's life. Thirty years as a competitive athlete, three years as a soccer coach, and the past five years as a girls' volleyball coach with Focus Volleyball Club. In 1985 Linda participated in the BC Summer Games in Nanaimo in softball and recalls the impression it made on her. In 2010, Linda had the honor of stepping in and becoming the Director of Food Services at the BC Summer Games which were held in the Township of Langley. It was one of the most amazing challenges she had ever taken on and it truly was, as her team called it, "the Miracle on 56th Avenue."

Bruce Hayne – Director of Friends of the Games

Bruce Hayne is one of two operating partners of thornleyHAYNE Creative Communications, Surrey's largest full-service advertising and design agency. The agency has won numerous design awards and was listed in the Business in Vancouver "Book of Lists" as one of the top 10 design agencies in the province. Bruce is actively involved in the community. Bruce chaired the Surrey Methamphetamine Regional Taskforce (SMART), a community organization bringing together community leaders, police, fire services, health services and the Surrey School District to combat crystal meth use and distribution in the community. Further, Bruce has served as the past president for the Surrey Board of Trade and Executive board member for the Surrey Memorial Hospital Foundation. Bruce is currently serving his second year on the boards of both the South Fraser Home Support and Cornerstone Care Society. Bruce is a past recipient of a Community Leader Award presented by the Leader Community newspaper. Bruce resides in Cloverdale with his wife Joyce and two children. During his free time, he enjoys playing keyboards with his band, "All About Jack", golfing and skiing and spending time with his family camping and boating.

Paul Juszko – Director of Medical Services

Paul started volunteer community service with Saint John Ambulance Brigade in 1986. He was part of the Saint John Ambulance Brigade team that provided Volunteer First Aid Coverage for the BC Summer Games in 1987 in Delta, 1988 in Oak Bay/Greater Victoria, and 1989 in Surrey. His

involvement spanned through until 2003 as he worked his way through the ranks, taking on more responsibilities and leadership and was promoted to Superintendent. Paul joined the British Columbia Ambulance Service in November 1988 out of the Cloverdale Station in Surrey where he worked for 10 years. He became Chief and managed the Delta North Station for 2½ years. He now manages the Langley North Station (Walnut Grove) where he lives with his wife, Magdolna [Maggie] and step son Bertold [Berti]. Paul is part of the Leadership Team with the British Columbia Ambulance Service which organized, operated, and managed Paramedic coverage for the BC 2010 Summer Games in the Township of Langley and his experience and knowledge is being used to assist the BCAS Leadership Team preparing Paramedic coverage for the 2011 Western Canada Summer Games in Kamloops this August.

Kim Gordon – Director of Promotions

Kim joined the UBC Development and Alumni Engagement Office as an Associate Director in August of 2010 after five very special years with the Vancouver Organizing Committee for the 2010 Olympic and Paralympic Winter Games (VANOC). Prior to her career with VANOC, Kim worked in university sport for 18 years as the Associate Director of Athletics at UBC and later as Director of Athletics at the University of Alberta. She was a member of the University of Alberta Panda volleyball team and Canada's National Women's Rowing Team in the late 1970's, winning a bronze medal at the 1977 World Rowing Championships. Kim was named to the Canadian Olympic Team in 1980. Prior service to sport in her community includes volunteering on the Board of Directors of the Air Canada Championship PGA Tour event that was held from 1996 to 2002 at Surrey's Northview Golf Club. Kim is the mother of two sons, Chris and Scott, and she and her husband Don Wells reside in South Surrey.

Cathy James – Director of Protocol

Cathy is the Executive Director of Tourism Surrey and contractor for the BC Visitor Centre @ Peace Arch and the 1-800-HelloBC call centre. Under her strong leadership, Tourism Surrey was awarded the Destination Marketing Organization (DMO) accreditation by Destination Marketing Association International in 2010. Cathy has lived in Langley for many years with her husband and has three grown daughters. She currently sits on the board for Arts Council Surrey and for the Surrey International World Music Marathon. In her previous roles in the non-profit industry, Cathy honed her aptitude for administration, finance, and event planning. Cathy has always believed in the value of sport and is looking forward to joining the dynamic team for the BC Summer Games in 2012.

Vince McKay – Director of Results & Registration

Vince McKay, EPC, has owned Essential Financial Planning Services, based in Surrey, since 1997. He is the incoming chair of Advocis, the Professional Association of Financial Planners and past chair of GAMA (General Agency Managers Association). He is a proud father to three grown daughters who all share his passion for sport. Vince has coached Surrey Female Minor Hockey, Surrey Minor Football, and high school Junior Rugby, as well as currently playing for three adult hockey teams. Vince brought his strong leadership skills to the Chair positions of the 2001 BC Seniors Games (Results & Registration) as well as the Langley Canada Day Celebrations for six years. He volunteers for Langley/Surrey Operation Red Nose, Langley MS Walk, and supports Langley Child Development Centre. Vince's team approach stems from his early background in the Canadian Forces as an Airborne infantryman.

K.C. Gilroy – Director of Special Events

For 36 years, K.C. has lived, worked, and played in Surrey. Her family includes her husband, Scott, three grown children, Aaron, Scotia and Caitlin and three grandchildren. She is currently the Coordinator of the Surrey Christmas Bureau. Her past experience as a public programs specialist and volunteer coordinator in the Heritage Services department of the City of Surrey included organizing many youth and multi-generational events and classes. As Coordinator of the Youth Arts Council of Surrey for four years, K.C. guided the creation and process of numerous successful

youth-focused events. K.C.'s recreational passion is to canoe and kayak the rivers and coastal waters of B.C. as often as possible. Her personal passion is working to ensure that youth have access to a wide variety of engaging opportunities and skill-building experiences.

Tom Hastie, M.Ed, BA – Director of Sport

Tom has been a resident of Surrey since 1975 and was a teacher with the Surrey School District for over 30 years. Tom is a former professional soccer player in the UK and Canada, a marathoner, and a triathlete. He coached BC U16, U18, and Canada Summer Games Provincial Soccer Teams. Tom has served as Race Director for the BC Cross Country Championships, BC Masters Track and Field Championships, Sandcastle City Classic 10 km, and the Crescent Park Cross Country Race. He was the Chair of BC Athletics and a Director with Athletics Canada. He is presently Chair of the Masters Committee of Athletics Canada and Chair of Outdoor Services Advisory Committee with Surrey Parks, Recreation and Culture. Tom is committed to a lifetime of sports by still being actively involved in running, hiking, biking and taking up new sports such as pickle ball and badminton.

Jim Prokop – Director of Transportation

Jim Prokop is the Manager, Service Planning for TransLink, the Strategic Planning and Funding agency for transportation within the Metro Vancouver region. He has worked for TransLink, its Bus Operation Division, Coast Mountain Bus Company (and predecessor BC Transit) for more than 25 years, primarily in the transit planning, scheduling, engineering and analysis areas. He was directly involved in developing the transit plans for TransLink related to the 2010 Olympic Winter Games and during the Games also took on the role as a Director of the TransLink Host Command Centre. In 2002, Jim was volunteer Chair of the Transportation Committee for the BC Festival of the Arts – Surrey. This event required a comprehensive and coordinated transportation plan including buses, vans, cars, and a communications system to meet the needs of the delegates, VIP's and various special requirements. The festival included numerous venues and lodging locations throughout Surrey and transportation played a key role in the overall success of the festival. Jim has been a resident of Surrey for most of his life. He lives with his wife Carol and son Tom in South Surrey. In the past, Jim has coached soccer for 12 years at the Peach Arch Soccer Association and currently helps out with the Semiahmoo Heritage Trail Society.