

The Chemical Institute of Canada (CIC) Slate of Directors and Officers for 2022–2023

Prepared by the CIC Nomination Committee, chaired by Deborah Nicoll-Griffith, CIC Vice-Chair, FCIC. AGM Date: Wednesday, June 15, 2022

The CIC Nomination Committee has proposed the following slate of candidates for election as the Directors of the CIC for 2022–2023.

Deborah Nicoll-Griffith, FCIC, EndoParagon Inc.

Has agreed to stand as a director for a term of one (1) year if elected, and has agreed to hold the following office during that term:

Chair 2022-2023

Deborah Nicoll-Griffith is President of EndoParagon Inc., a small life sciences research company. Her professional career has spanned over 35 years in health sciences research, including over 25 years at Merck Research Labs, both at Merck Frosst Canada Inc. and at Merck & Co in the US, where she served as Senior Director and Senior Scientific Director, respectively. Deborah has an Honours Biochemistry B.Sc. from Bishop's University and a Ph.D. in Synthetic Organic Chemistry from UBC. During her pharmaceutical career she contributed to the discovery of numerous drug candidates, notably for asthma, pain, osteoporosis, and HIV. Over the last five years, Deborah has been very engaged with leadership of the Canadian Society for Chemistry (CSC) and the CIC. She has been a champion for updating operations including nomination procedures for the Boards and Committees to more open and inclusive. She was a key member of the CIC Governance Task Force (GTF) which has reviewed the governance of the CIC, Societies, and other bodies within our broader organization and made recommendations to take us in to the future. Deborah has been a continuous CSC/CIC member since 1984 and was recently elected as a CIC Fellow. She also serves on the Executive Board of the Commonwealth Chemistry Federation and the Nominations Committee of SCI Canada.

Josephine M. Hill, FCIC, University of Calgary

Has agreed to stand as a director for a term of two (2) years if elected, and has agreed to hold the following offices during that term:

Vice-Chair 2022–2023 Chair 2023–2024

Dr. Josephine Hill is a Professor in the Department of Chemical and Petroleum Engineering of the Schulich School of Engineering at the University of Calgary. She received her education and training at the University of Waterloo (BASc and MASc) and the University of Wisconsin—Madison (PhD) and worked for two years at Surface Science Western at the University of Western Ontario between her graduate degrees. Dr. Hill's research is in the area of catalysis with applications to hydrotreating, gasification, and the conversion of solid waste materials, such as petroleum coke and biomass, into catalysts supports and activated carbon. She has served on the Board of Directors of the Canadian Society of Chemical Engineering, is a Past Chair of the Canadian Catalysis Division of the Chemical Institute of Canada and is currently the President of the Canadian Catalysis Foundation. Her research and mentoring excellence have been recognized with many awards including the APEGA Research Excellence Summit Award, a Killam Annual Professorship, Engineers Canada Award for the Support of Women in the Engineering Profession, and a Canada Research Chair. She is a Fellow of The Engineering Institute of Canada, Chemical Institute of Canada, Canadian Academy of Engineering, Geoscientists Canada, and Engineers Canada.



Continuing CIC Board Member

Jason Pearson, MCIC, University of Prince Edward Island

Treasurer 2020–2023

Jason Pearson is a Professor of Chemistry at the University of Prince Edward Island, where he leads an interdisciplinary research group in computational methods for chemistry spanning quantum chemistry, electronic structure, machine learning, and chemistry education. His previous roles within the CIC collective include as treasurer of the Maritime local section, treasurer and Chair of the Physical, Theoretical and Computational subject division, and Treasurer of the Canadian Society for Chemistry.

Presidents as Appointed by the Societies of the CIC

Jennifer Love, FCIC, University of Calgary

Has agreed to stand as a director for a term of one (1) year if elected, and has agreed to hold the following office during that term:

Director, representing the Canadian Society for Chemistry (CSC) (President) June 15, 2022–2023

Jennifer Love obtained her Bachelor's degree from Allegheny College in 1994 and her PhD from Stanford University in 2000. After postdoctoral research at the California Institute of Technology, she began her independent career at the University of British Columbia in 2003. She moved to the University of Calgary in 2019, where she is Professor and Head of the Department of Chemistry. She is currently Vice-President of the Chemical Society for Canada, after having served as the Director of Awards from 2019-2021. She is currently Chair of the Editorial Board of Chemical Society Reviews (Royal Society of Chemistry) and was an Associate Editor for Catalysis Science & Technology (Royal Society of Chemistry) from 2015-2020. She also serves on the editorial boards of Inorganic Chemistry (American Chemical Society) and Dalton Transactions (Royal Society of Chemistry). Her research interests span inorganic, organometallic and organic chemistry with a focus on mechanistic analysis, catalyst design, developing new homogeneous catalytic transformations, and synthesis. She has won a number of awards, including the AstraZeneca Canada Award in Chemistry in 2008, UBC Science Killam Teaching Award in 2009, Alexander von Humboldt Research Fellowship for Experienced Researchers in 2012, IntellisynPharma Excellence Award in 2018, and Fellow of the Chemical Institute of Canada in 2021.

Michael Cunningham, FCIC, Queen's University

Has agreed to stand as a director for a term of one (1) year if elected, and has agreed to hold the following offices during that term:

Director, representing the Canadian Society for Chemical Engineering (CSChE) (President) June 3, 2022–2023

Prof. Cunningham is a Professor in Chemical Engineering at Queen's University with a cross appointment to the Department of Chemistry. His research program focusses on the development of novel polymer nanoparticles, sustainably-sourced polymeric materials including hybrids of synthetic polymers and renewable polymers, and CO2-switchable materials. He is Chair of the International Polymer Colloids Group and recipient of several national research awards including the NSERC Brockhouse Canada Prize for Interdisciplinary Research in Science and Engineering, Macromolecular Science and Engineering Award, Canadian Green Chemistry and Engineering Award, and the Syncrude Canada Innovation Award, as well as the Queen's University Prize for Excellence in Research and the Professional Engineer's Ontario Research and Development Medal. He is a Fellow of the Chemical Institute of Canada, Canadian Academy of Engineering and Engineering Institute of Canada.