

Committee: **Animal Welfare Advisory Committee**

Organization/Sector represented: **Public at Large**

Name: **Peggianne Wright**

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Occupation: **Office Manager**

Work experience: **Over a 35+ year career in business I have gained extensive experience by working in business sectors which include home health care, retail/wholesale, and manufacturing. Holding positions in accounting, office administration and senior management levels, I have developed a diversified background in all aspects of business management. Being employed in small businesses, I have also served in the sales and marketing aspects of some of these small business, developing business relationships and marketing and advertising campaigns. Further, I have successfully created my own home-based business –presently on hiatus– which I plan to revive upon my retirement from my current full-time position in December of this year. I am also the current president of our condo board and have held a position on the board since 2010.**

Education: **I successfully graduated from Montcalm Secondary school in 1979. Since entering the workforce immediately on leaving school, I did not attend post-secondary at that time. However, since then I have studied numerous business programs and workshops through Fanshawe College and Western University. I successfully attained my CMP designation (Canadian Management Professional) in 2003. Further, I studied German language and culture through a correspondence program at the University of Waterloo and then successfully attained my official “German as a Second Language” certificate after studying in a two month program in Berlin, Germany in 1997. I continue to pursue education on many levels through various courses and workshops and am currently enrolled in a creative writing program through a private Ottawa-based school.**

Skills: **My home-based business is a gourmet dog biscuit bakery and was inspired by my love of our 3 fur-kids and all dogs in general. Established in 2005, I have fostered relationships through the sales aspect of this business and further, I have continued to gain knowledge and understanding of dogs through reading, attending workshops, and participating in various community groups, holding memberships in professional associations, and taking part in fundraising activities. In 2013, I established a fundraising initiative called STROLL IN THE PARK FOR KIDS WHO BARK. Created to raise awareness as well as funds for pet rescue, my plan was to donate .50 cents for every kilometer I walked in the month of September. Having just completed my second annual Stroll, I have now walked nearly 500 kilometers and raised over \$2,000 for pet rescue organizations.**

Interest reason: **As a responsible pet owner for more than 30 years, I am looking for a way to actively participate in my community by involving a passion I hold. This committee suits my interest and appeals to me by relating not just dogs, but animals in general. I hope to contribute to this committee by providing knowledgeable feedback if solicited and offering support where appropriate.**

Contributions: **I can contribute with sincere and honest feedback and discussion based on research and knowledge of topics presented and by engaging in community initiatives as required and/or necessary.**

Past contributions: **I have not yet served on a committee such as this.**

Interpersonal: **I believe that the answer lies in my extensive work experience and described above. Further, I have successfully completed a Dale Carnegie program (2000) and am an avid follower of Dr. John Maxwell, who is a leader in the teaching of leadership and relationship building skills.**

Interview interest: **Yes**