

Committee: **Animal Welfare Advisory Committee**

Organization/Sector represented:

Name: **Patricia Lystar**

Address:

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Occupation: **Small business owner (Molly Maid London)**

Work experience: **For the past seven years I have been the principal owner/operator of Molly Maid London. My day to day duties vary between managing staff, exceeding client expectations as well as financial forecasting, bookkeeping, business planning, maintaining advertising campaigns, etc.**

Education: **BA Psychology - University of Western Ontario**

Skills: **General organizational skills, business planning, basic accounting, marketing and advertising, people management, limited public speaking.**

Interest reason: **I have been a resident of the city of London for 31 years, the past five of which have been spent volunteering for various animal rescue organizations. I would absolutely love to be part of an open minded committee that is able to realistically discuss the needs of animals at large and the welfare of those domestic pets and weigh such against costs, public safety, etc.**

Contributions: **I believe that I could be a dedicated, perhaps long term member of this body providing general administrative experience, perhaps a differing point of view from time to time, as well as the ability to weigh pros and cons of each decision to be made fairly, without personal bias.**

Past contributions: **This would be my first committee appointment so I am unfortunately not entirely certain what one might expect during the course of the upcoming year. However, I have faith that I will be able to be an active member and to listen to the opinions expressed by each member in attendance. I have been a member of the London Central Lions club for the past two full years and have enjoyed contributing to the organization of the silent auction and draws for the annual "Fight for Sight" fundraiser which holds around 300 in attendance yearly.**

Interpersonal: **As an employer of 25 within the city, I have the pleasure of listening to differing views about a wide range of topics on a daily basis. Additionally, I have devoted much time to being able to convey ideas/necessities to my employees in a respectful manner to ensure a positive working relationship moving forward. As a member of the London Central Lions club (the youngest, and one of few females) who serves the community in many varied ways, I have spent a fair bit of time at meetings, listening to the views of the 'old guard' as well as offering a differing perspective on how things might be approached. I have found thus far, the experience to be a delightful challenge and have gained the respect of my peers within the club.**

Interview interest: **Yes**