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## USTA FLORIDA NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT

The Nominating Committee of the United States Tennis Association - Florida Section, Inc., d/b/a USTA Florida, presents the following nominees for positions on the Board of Directors for your consideration. If elected, they will serve two years beginning at the Annual Meeting in November 2020 and ending at the Annual Meeting in 2022.

### Officers

◆President: Dana Andrews, Tampa (Region 3)

◆President-Elect: Phil Girardi, Treasure Island (Region 3)

Treasurer: Marcelo Gouts, Orlando (Region 4)\*

Secretary: Adam Ross, Plantation (Region 8)\*

◆Section Delegate: Clark Higgs, Clearwater (Region 3)

### Past Experience

*President-Elect, Board of Directors; **Councils/Committees:** Grievance Chair, Budget & Finance Committee, Bylaws/Governance Committee, Junior Competition Committee, USTA Florida Section Foundation; **Other:** Annual Meeting Project Team*

*Treasurer, Secretary, Board of Directors, Director at Large, **Councils/Committees:** Collegiate, Recreation Chair & Member, Nominating, Adult Council Chair; **Other:** District 12 Director, Clinician, District CTA Board Member*

*Secretary, Board of Directors, Director at Large; **Other:** Hispanic Outreach Project Team, Numerous roles in the Community including involvement with Kids Play Days, 10 and Under Tennis, Tennis Festivals and Junior Team Tennis. Operates multiple tennis facilities in the Orlando area.*

*Board of Directors, Director at Large; **Councils/Committees:** Grievance Committee, Volunteer Committee, Nominating Committee, League Committee, Awards Committee; **Other:** Regional Representative*

*President, President-Elect, Treasurer, Board of Directors; **Councils/Committees:** Nominating, Budget & Finance Committee, Leagues Committee Chair & Member; **Other:** Mentor, Adult League Coordinator, Suncoast Tennis Foundation BOD (formerly)*

*According to the USTA Florida Bylaws, the President, President-Elect and Section Delegate may only serve one term in that office.*

*\* Nominee will be serving first term.*

*\*\*Nominee will be serving second term.*

◆*Informational Only. Automatically selected due to prior position as indicated in the Bylaws.*



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**Directors at Large**

**Mary Conaway, Naples (Region 7)\***

**Rita Dotson, Pensacola (Region 1)\*\***

**Chuck Gill, Wellington (Region 6)\*\***

**Delise O'Meally, Orlando (Region 4)\*\***

**Past Experience**

USTA Florida Section Foundation Board of Directors, (Vice President),  
Foundation Nominating Committee Chair; **Other:** Leadership Academy

Board of Directors, Director at Large; **Other:** Special Olympics  
Coordinator, ROGY provider, JTT provider, Youth Coordinator- Region  
1, Founder & President- Tennis-4-Everyone, Inc., Director of Junior  
Tennis at Roger Scott Tennis

Board of Directors, Director at Large, Vice President, USPTA National  
President; **Other:** Annual Meeting Project Team, 10 and Under Task  
Force, Tournament Director, USPTA National & USPTA Florida BOD

Board of Directors, Director at Large, **Other:** USTA Florida tennis  
parent; Executive Director, National Consortium for Academics and  
Sports; Executive Director, Institute for Sport and Social Justice;  
Secretary General, US International University Sport Federation

**USTA Florida Bylaws allow for Directors at Large to serve a maximum  
of three consecutive terms.**

*\*Nominee is a new Director at Large.*

*\*\*Nominee will be serving second consecutive term.*

*\*\*\*Nominee will be serving last consecutive term.*

**We respectfully request the support of all member clubs, schools, and/or associations for  
this slate of Officers, and Directors at Large.**

**The Nominating Committee**

**Dana Andrews, Chair**

**Dede Allen**

**Trish Faulkner**

**Kevin Johnson**

**Irene Tharin**



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## ***USTA Florida Delegates and Organizational Members***

The previous pages listed the Nominating Committee's submission of the nominees for the 2021-2022 Board of Directors.

Also enclosed is a form which may be used by your organization and five other organizational members to nominate any other person to a position on the USTA Florida Board of Directors if you oppose any person on this slate. Listed below are the excerpts from the USTA Florida Bylaws which refer to our voting process. A complete copy of the bylaws is on the USTA Florida Website at [www.ustaflorida.com](http://www.ustaflorida.com).

***If you support the enclosed slate, no action is necessary!!!***

### **Article VI, Section 2. Nomination by Petition**

- A. Nominations may be made by any Organization Member's delegate but limited to only one (1) nominee per position.
- B. A Nominating Form shall be included in the Nominating Committee Report and shall be used by the Organization Member's delegate to submit nominations.
- C. A person shall be a nominee for one (1) position only. Before his/her name is placed in nomination, each nominee must have agreed in writing to serve if elected. Eligibility shall be adhered to as per Article V. Section 2. of these Bylaws.
- D. A nominee must receive a nomination from a minimum of five (5) Organization Members each from a different region.
- E. All submitted nominating forms must be signed by a registered delegate of the Organization Member.
- F. All nominating forms must be received in the Association office 110 days (*August 3, 2020*) before the Annual Meeting of each election year.

### **Section 3. Contested Election by Petition**

- A. Voting by delegates shall be conducted by any method approved by the Board of Directors for the election of Officers and

Directors at Large.

- B. One (1) ballot shall be distributed to each Organization Member's registered delegate 100 days (*August 13, 2020*) before the Annual Meeting of each election year.
- C. Each ballot must be signed by the registered delegate.
- D. Signed ballots must be received in the Association office 95 days (*August 18, 2020*) before the Annual Meeting of each election year.
- E. Ballots shall be tabulated 85 days (*August 28, 2020*) before the Annual Meeting of each election year by a CPA firm as determined by the Board of Directors.
- F. Plurality shall elect.

### **Section 4. Results of Election**

- A. Election results shall be disseminated to all of the Organization Members, and registered delegates, the Nominating Committee, and the Board of Directors within 15 days of the ballot tabulation (*September 12, 2020*).
- B. Results of the election shall become final at the conclusion of the Annual Meeting, at which time the ballots shall be destroyed.



**Organizational Member  
Nomination by Petition Form**

-2020-

**Organizational Member Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**City:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Zip:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Delegate Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **USTA#:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Delegate Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

*The Organizational Member listed above wishes to nominate the following person(s):*

<b>Position</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Qualifications</b>	<b>Consent Enclosed (Y or N)</b>
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**This form must be received at the USTA Florida Office, 12005 Performance Drive,  
Orlando, FL 32827 no later than 5:00pm on August 3, 2020  
for your nomination to be valid.**

**DO NOT RETURN this form if you agree with the enclosed slate proposed  
by the Nominating Committee.**