



## Board member biographies

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As of May 2019

### **Kyle Heeley - Chair**

Kyle is a Project Coordinator with the Regional Municipality of York, working on a variety of projects including large scale tree planting, stream restoration, site restoration and outreach events. He holds a BSc in Environmental Science from Trent University, and an Honours Diploma from Sir Sandford Fleming College's School of Environmental and Natural Resource Sciences. He has served on the Green Communities Foundation Board since 2015, and has been Chair since 2017.

### **Yvette Peplinskie – Treasurer**

Yvette works as the Deputy Treasurer for the County of Peterborough. She is Chartered Professional Accountant who is currently on the board of the YWCA Peterborough-Haliburton, and has served on the boards of the Women's Business Network of Peterborough, and the Peterborough Family Resource Centre. Yvette has been a member of the Green Communities Foundation board since June 2013.

### **Catherine Warren - Secretary**

Catherine is currently a District Planner with Peterborough District's Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry's office. Catherine worked in the Active & Safe Routes to School program with Green Communities Canada (GCC) from 2004-2006 and in 2013-2014 worked with GCC on climate change communications and staff training projects. Catherine trained as a teacher and worked in environmental education with Katimavik and Rainy River First Nations. Catherine recently spent five years living and working in New Zealand where she completed a Masters of Conservation Biology and worked with the Department of Conservation in an alpine national park and in Coastal Otago.

### **Fiona McGuinness – Director**

Fiona is a Senior Policy Advisor – Species at Risk Recovery with the Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources, and has expertise in provincial scale conservation ecology, renewable energy, and natural resource management. She joined the Green Communities Foundation Board in 2017.