



Biographies of Candidates for Election  
May 28, 2009

*To be elected for a three-year term:*

**Bob Wyatt, Muttart Foundation  
Edmonton, Alberta**

Bob Wyatt has been executive director of The Muttart Foundation since 1989. He has been a leader in the voluntary sector at the local, provincial and national levels, including serving as sector co-chair of the Joint Regulatory Table during the Voluntary Sector Initiative. He has been involved in a large number of public-policy initiatives at both the provincial and national level, including serving as a member of Imagine Canada's public policy committee. He is in regular contact with provincial and federal governments, including through the Muttart Consultations process that he initiated more than a dozen years ago. He is the author of a soon-to-be-published book resulting from a sabbatical research project examining the role of voluntary-sector umbrella organizations in affecting public policy related to the sector. He has served on a number of boards of directors, ranging from Philanthropic Foundations Canada to the governing body of his church. He is a credentialed parliamentarian and has provided advice to a large number of voluntary sector organizations. He is the national parliamentarian for Big Brothers Big Sisters of Canada.

**Kevin McCort, CARE Canada  
Ottawa, Ontario**

Kevin McCort has spent nearly his entire adult life engaged in international humanitarian and development work.

After graduating from high school Kevin McCort took part in a Canada World Youth exchange between Canada and Indonesia. He spent over three months in a remote Indonesian village in South Kalimantan.

During his university years Kevin volunteered with the World University Service of Canada (WUSC). For almost a year he worked with a Malian agriculture parastatal company, living in a small village just north of the border with Cote d'Ivoire. His work helped the people of Mali look at ways to improve livestock management and commercialization, dealing with issues such as migrant herders moving large cattle herds through agricultural land, and managing conflicts between migrants and sedentary farmers. After Mali, Kevin went with WUSC to Zimbabwe. There he spent two years placing and supporting Canadian teachers who were assigned to Zimbabwean high schools and teacher training colleges. In those two years he drove 100,000km visiting 60 different mission schools, and remote government schools.

In 1992 Kevin joined CARE Canada. From 1992-1997 he was involved in humanitarian and emergency relief missions around the globe. He has dealt with a food crisis in Haiti, drought and conflict in Somalia, aiding Somali refugees in Kenya, helping people in Bosnia and Croatia caught in the civil war there, and dealing with the effects of the Rwandan genocide in Zaire, Tanzania and Burundi. Kevin was one of the first humanitarian workers in Goma, in the Democratic Republic of the Congo, when 1 million refugees flooded across the border. Arriving in the area by plane, he landed right in the middle of a war zone as the refugees all around them came under attack.

From 1997 to 2000 Kevin headed CARE's operations in Zambia as Country Director. He helped create and manage development programs in agriculture, education, health, micro-enterprise and humanitarian assistance.

In 2000 Kevin become part of the senior management team of CARE Canada, and in 2008 was appointed CEO. Today he oversees all the operations of CARE Canada around world, and is CARE Canada's primary representative within the global CARE movement. In Canada he is a recognized national spokesperson on international development issues, particularly on economic development and microfinance.

Kevin is 43 years old. He lives in Ottawa with his wife Leah and young children Aidan (11), Sean (8) and Regan (8). When he's not travelling the globe for CARE he can often be found in the hockey rink, either on the ice or in the stands cheering on his kids.

**Martha Tory, Ernst & Young LLP  
Toronto, Ontario**

Ms. Tory is a senior partner at Ernst & Young specializing in serving not-for-profit organizations. She has extensive experience serving on charitable boards of directors. Ms. Tory has served as Chair of the Board of the United Way of Greater Toronto, President of Family Service Association of Toronto, and Chair of the Board of Trustees at Trinity College at the University of Toronto. Currently she is the Treasurer of the Board of the Institute of Competitiveness & Prosperity and is a Board member of The Learning Partnership.

**Stéphane Vaillancourt, The YMCAs of Québec  
Montréal, Québec**

With a Bachelor degree in Electrical Engineering from École Polytechnique de Montréal and an MBA from McGill University, Stéphane Vaillancourt has enjoyed a highly successful career holding senior management positions in the areas of business development, sales, marketing and strategy development with Bell Canada, Stentor and Connexim.

Mr. Vaillancourt was appointed President and C.E.O. of the YMCAs of Quebec in November 2002. *The YMCAs of Quebec* is a charitable organization that contributes to the development of spirit, mind, and body, and to the well-being of individuals, families, and communities. It works especially to help children, seniors and the disadvantaged, as well as families, new arrivals and youth at risk. Its twelve centres and multiple other points of service are visited yearly by over 100,000 people who benefit from the many programs it offers ranging from community and child development programs to language courses and physical fitness activities.

In addition to a wide range of professional and personal responsibilities, Stéphane Vaillancourt has been involved for many years in a variety of social and community works in support of youth and seniors, notably as Chair of the “Petits Frères des Pauvres”, the mission of which is to provide a lifelong friendly and affectionate presence to relieve the isolation and loneliness among the elderly.

Stéphane is currently Vice-Chair of Cybercap, a charity with a mission to help youth at risk by offering them the possibility to discover and experiment digital media in order to help them better their personal, social and professional situation.