

**Memorandum
Mayor's Office**



To: Members of the City Council
Subject: Appointments
Date: February 28th, 2013

NEIGHBORHOOD PARTNERS:

The Neighborhood Partners organization currently has five "City-At-Large" vacant positions. Five candidates have submitted letters of interest, requesting to be appointed to serve in those vacant "City-At-Large" positions.

Jim Braet is a lifelong resident of Rock Island who currently lives in the Broadway Historical District. He is married with two children, all of which went to Rock Island schools and graduated from Augustana College. He taught in the Rock Island – Milan school system for 33 years and has coached for 44+ years. He has worked with QC Youthbuild and at risk students through that program.

Patrick Doherty moved to Rock Island in 1976 and went to work at Franciscan Hospital in 1978 after graduate school. He has worked as a Rehabilitation Counselor and in 2008 became the Risk Manager for the City of Rock Island. He is married with 3 children, all of which are Rock Island graduates and own homes in Rock Island. He is an active member of St. Pius X Catholic Church.

Kurt Frank has been a resident of Southwest Rock Island for over 30 years. He was on the board for the Rock Island Community Leadership College for over 10 years. That organization eventually became the current Knowledge Through Neighbors Task Force connected to Neighborhood Partners. He is retired from the Social Security Administration after 30 years of service. He had a radio show on numerous radio stations and wrote a newspaper column for the Argus where he discussed social security law. He was formerly the chairman of the board for the QC Business Advisory Council and was a member of the Toastmasters for over 20 years, holding the title of Distinguished Toastmaster.

Roxanne Nowinski is a retired school teacher who taught in the Rock Island school system for 22 years and 3 years in private schools. She was awarded "Master Teacher" in 2004 by the Argus / Dispatch, nominated for "Teacher of the Year" in 2005 and awarded "Teacher of the Year" at WJH in 2000. She is married and has lived in Rock Island since 1968.

Steve Trainor and his wife have lived in Rock Island, primarily the Broadway Historic District, for almost 21 years. His professional life has mainly focused in radio and television and he currently has his own business doing personal biographies on DVD for people. He is also a freelance writer for the Quad City Times. He has worked as the Community Organizer for the Community Caring Conference (CCC). He is involved with a youth group, active in his church and participates in community theatre.

Recommendation: It is recommended that the persons listed above be appointed to three year terms to expire February, 2016.

Submitted by: Dennis E. Pauley, Mayor

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Approved by: Dennis E. Pauley, Mayor