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**Project Management Institute  
Portland Chapter**

# Official Ballot

*Annual Election of Officers  
2006-2007 Board of Directors*

Your PMI membership # must be included for your ballot to be accepted.

PMI membership #: \_\_\_\_\_

Only Chapter Members in good standing may submit a ballot.

### OFFICES

NOMINEES - Select one for each position.

President-Elect	<input type="checkbox"/>	Stephanie Thornton, PMP
	<input type="checkbox"/>	George Walker, PMP
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Write in _____ (must be local chapter member in good standing)
Secretary	<input type="checkbox"/>	Kay Pexa, PMP
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Write in _____ (must be local chapter member in good standing)
VP Finance	<input type="checkbox"/>	Kevin Bassett, PMP
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Jeffrey Caton, PMP
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Mark Molau, PMP
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Tim O'Connor, PMP
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Write in _____ (must be local chapter member in good standing)
VP At-Large	<input type="checkbox"/>	Dianne Johnson, PMP
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Write in _____ (must be local chapter member in good standing)
VP Marketing and Outreach	<input type="checkbox"/>	Joseph Brisley, PMP
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Greg Spehar, PMP
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Write in _____ (must be local chapter member in good standing)
VP Professional Development	<input type="checkbox"/>	John Stotridge
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Write in _____ (must be local chapter member in good standing)
VP Membership	<input type="checkbox"/>	Gary Coates, PMP
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Write in _____ (must be local chapter member in good standing)
VP Programs	<input type="checkbox"/>	Basia Petri
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Rod Sharman, PMP
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Write in _____ (must be local chapter member in good standing)
VP Operations	<input type="checkbox"/>	Jeff Turner, PMP
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Write in _____ (must be local chapter member in good standing)

Incoming positions: President - Cynthia Miller, PMP  
Immediate Past President - Alan Strong, PMP

**Ballots are due by 5:00 pm. Wednesday, May 17, 2006.** Election results will be announced on the Chapter website. Please mail your ballot to: PMI-Portland Chapter, P.O. Box 5966, Portland, Oregon 97228-5966, or drop off at the May chapter dinner meeting, or fax to (503) 222-3544.

## CANDIDATE PROFILES

### **STEPHANIE THORNTON, PMP** *President-Elect - Candidate*

Stephanie has 20+ years of experience managing natural resource projects and programs and another 3 years managing non-natural resource projects. During her early career in marine resource policy and planning, she progressed from a fishery biologist to the national director of the government's Marine Sanctuary Program in Washington D.C. Today she is a certified Project Management Professional (PMP), currently working as a project manager in PGE's Customer Service and Delivery's Project Office.

### **GEORGE WALKER, PMP** *President-Elect - Candidate*

George is currently serving as the Vice President at Large and the Director of the Breakfast Roundtables and has been a Director of engineering, construction and project management efforts for over 30 years. He has managed telecommunication network projects in the 25 largest cities in the United States and selected Canadian cities and Western Europe. He is a registered professional engineer in both electrical and civil engineering. He is a certified Project Management Professional (PMP), earning his PMP certification in June of 1995.

### **KAY PEXA, PMP** *Secretary - Candidate*

Kay is currently serving as Director of Volunteers. Born and raised in a small town in South Dakota, Kay moved out west in her late teens. She served in the US Army in the mid 70's and returned to Portland to attend college. Kay has 25 years of experience in the high tech industry specializing in the design and support of international e-Commerce solutions. Today she is a certified Project Management Professional (PMP), working in the utility industry as an IT project manager

### **KEVIN BASSETT, PMP** *VP Finance - Candidate*

Kevin moved to the Portland area six years ago from Dallas, Texas. He holds a B.S. in Information Systems from the University of Redlands, and an MBA from Southern Methodist University. Today he is a certified Project Management Professional (PMP). When not managing projects, Kevin enjoys working around the house, and spending time with his wife and three daughters.

### **JEFFREY CATON, MBA, PMP, CBM, LTC, EA** *VP Finance - Candidate*

Jeff brings over 10 years of experience in project management and consulting to the Portland Chapter of PMI. Specific project experience includes data center hardware and software implementation, telecommunications equipment installation, Siebel Systems deployment, SAP ERP archive systems deployment, SCP Certification, Six Sigma process improvement, business continuity and contingency planning, SAS 70 and SOX compliance, financial systems conversions, and activity based cost analysis. Professional designations include the Project Management Professional, Certified Business Manager, and Licensed Tax Consultant. Professional organization memberships include the Project Management Institute, Association of Professionals in Business Management, and Institute of Management Accountants.

### **MARK MOLAU, PMP** *VP Finance - Candidate*

Mark was most recently a senior manager with Hewlett Packard's Technology Services Group. His HP career spanned nearly 16 years holding various roles in Finance and IT including program and project management positions. Mark was also a consultant with Price Waterhouse in their San Francisco office serving small-to-midsize businesses prior to joining HP. Today he is a certified Project Management Professional (PMP), currently working to launch a new technology consulting business supporting Oregon's Open Source software development efforts. Mark is also involved in various Oregon and Portland focused business and technology development organizations.

### **TIM O'CONNOR, PMP** *VP Finance - Candidate*

For the past seven years, Tim has managed a call center and custom shop for a local sport optics manufacturer. He also has experience in managing projects for new product development and OEM sourcing. Tim is currently working on initiating global project management within the company. Tim holds a Bachelor of Arts in Secondary Education, Language Arts from Concordia University 1995, an Advanced PM certificate from PSU 2004, and is a certified Project Management Professional (PMP) since 2005.

### **DIANNE JOHNSON, PMP** *VP At-Large - Candidate*

This will be Dianne's fourth term with PMI-Portland. On a personal note—she is married, no children, three dogs and two cats. She is involved with local aviation community, taking flying lessons and "having a great time, despite being one of the slowest learners in history." Professionally, Dianne has been a project manager for many years and earned certification as a Project Management Professional (PMP), in 2003.

### **JOSEPH BRISLEY, PMP** *VP Marketing & Outreach - Candidate*

Joe is currently serving as the Vice President of Marketing & Outreach and has been heavily involved in the PMI Portland Chapter's Project Excellence Award Committee since its inception in 2005. Today he is a certified Project Management Professional (PMP), currently working for DB Professionals contracting as a Senior Project Manager for PacifiCorp IT Infrastructure Services. For the past 20 years, Joe has been held project management, supervision and engineering roles in large scale IT and Telecommunications projects within the utility and health care industries.

### **GREG SPEHAR, PMP** *VP Marketing & Outreach - Candidate*

Greg's first position was with the Space Shuttle/Space Station almost 20+ years ago. Since that time, he has worked with some great companies including IBM, McDonnell Douglas, Boeing, NASA, FedEx, Nike, State of Oregon, and Intel. Greg became a certified Project Management Professional (PMP), in the fall of 2005 and is excited at the opportunity to make a contribution to the Portland Chapter of PMI.

### **JOHN STOTRIDGE JR.** *VP Professional Development - Candidate*

John is currently serving as Director of Certification, making a large contribution to this chapter's re-creation of education materials for the CAPM / PMP Exam Preparation course. John has been a small business owner since the mid-1980's, starting and operating a swimming pool business, a pay telephone business, and a construction contracting business. In 2002 John returned to school and completed his studies earning a BA in Social Science and an MBA in Management.

### **GARY COATES, PMP** *VP Membership - Candidate*

Gary Coates is a Project Manager for Unitus Community Credit Union in Portland, Oregon. He is responsible for managing cross-departmental projects and coaching/mentoring senior management and functional managers on project management methodologies. Prior to Unitus, Gary held various management positions as a co-founder of Corillian Corporation. Gary is a certified Project Management Professional (PMP).

### **BASIA PETRI** *VP Programs - Candidate*

Basia S. Petri is the Director of Marketing for Cadence Management Corporation and has recently joined PMI. She develops and manages all aspects of Cadence's marketing strategies including public relations, brand identity, trade shows, web site enhancements and client outreach programs. Basia has earned Bachelor's Degree in Psychology.

### **ROD SHARMAN, PMP** *VP Programs - Candidate*

Rod Sharman is a native of the United Kingdom who, with his wife and children, made the Portland area their home in 1977. He received his education through the London School of Economics in international finance which led to his early career being focused on finance and accounting. A significant change in career direction occurred when he came to the US to lead a major international ERP development project. Today he is a certified Project Management Professional (PMP), currently working as the Director of Knowledge Learning Corporation's PMO for the IS Division. Rod has also traveled globally as a Seminar Leader and Consultant with Cadence Management Corporation

### **JEFF TURNER, PMP** *VP Operations - Candidate*

Jeff is an accomplished Information Technology professional with over 11 years of Consulting and Project Management experience in the forest products, manufacturing, and retail industries. Jeff is a certified Project Management Professional (PMP). Outside of family, work, and PMI, Jeff enjoys canoeing, sailing and volunteering at the Washington State School for the Blind.