



**TAHOE DONNER ASSOCIATION
2018 BOARD DIRECTOR VACANCY**

APPLICANT QUESTIONNAIRE

11509 Northwoods Blvd., Truckee, CA 96161

Name: Suzan Knisley Date: Nov 6, 2018

QUESTIONS:

1. What are your qualifications for joining the Board of Directors? *Previous TD Board of Director, President, General Plan Committee. Board Training. Familiar with TD governing documents and Davis Sterling.*
2. If appointed to the Board, what do you hope to accomplish over the next six months? *Support the current Board with the agenda the Board of Directors has established. Support all measures to improve fire safety.*
3. In your opinion, what are Tahoe Donner's long-term issues? If appointed, how do you propose to address those issues? *Peaceful enjoyment of our community in a fire safe environment. Maintain our amenities and open space including trail system and current infrastructure to serve the needs of our members.*

NOTE: Please submit your answers to these questions along with your completed application packet. Completed application packets are due to either Member Services at Northwoods Clubhouse or electronically to electionscommittee@tahoedonner.com in PDF format by December 10, 2018 at 4:00 p.m. If you have any questions, please contact the Elections Committee at electionscommittee@tahoedonner.com.

Resume Highlights prepared for the Board of Directors
Tahoe Donner Association
December 2018

Suzan Lynn Knisley

Academics

B of A University of California San Diego, Visual Arts
University of Oregon, Journalism

Professional

Sales Promotion Manager, Western States, Georgia Pacific Corp.
Sales Promotion Consultant, Zellerbach, a Mead Company
Advertising Manager Penasquitos Newspaper

Board of Directors, Tahoe Donner Association
Board of Directors, Knisley Aircraft Exhaust Inc.

Relavant Experience

Wrote and won a federal grant for \$40,000 from United States Dept. of Agriculture, Natural Resources, to reforest acreage and create a fire break for a large 320 acre land parcel I owned in El Dorado County on the American River. I am proactive on fire prevention and reforestation.

Identified the need to purchase the Euer Valley at a critical point when the owner was looking to sell the land to developers. Land that Tahoe Donner previously leased in the Euer Valley. The lease was soon to end and I led the campaign to purchase the land without which Tahoe Donner would have lost a significant portion of our Cross Country Ski trails and Equestrian and Hiking trails. I was proud to sign the land purchase agreement for the Euer Valley as President of Tahoe Donner.

Supported the purchase of the McGlashan acreage that is contingent to Tahoe Donner for trails, open space and control of fire prevention maintenance.

Supported the upgrade of all our signage in Tahoe Donner to improve our image.

Initiated the first ever formal Board of Directors Training Program for Tahoe Donner on bringing Board members up to date on California HOA Law and the Davis Sterling Act, that regulates homeowners associations.

Initiated the first college intern program for Zellerbach Corp and Tahoe Donner Association.

Supported a study that turned The Lodge Restaurant from being \$500,000 in debt to breaking even.

Engaged in the complete formal employee salary compensation study that looked at grade ranges and comparative salaries with other Tahoe Truckee organizations.

I have enjoyed the use of most of the Tahoe Donner Association Amenities through the years, as I am currently or past active in Cross Country and Downhill Skiing, Equestrian, swimming, boating, Archery, Bocce Ball, and Golf and have experience in those activities.

I think important is that I carry the knowledge of some of the Tahoe Donner history that is

relative today as we move forward in the future, as a long standing member.
It is helpful in understanding the plans and design of building construction when reviewing plans and having built two houses, has been helpful in making improvements in Tahoe Donner.

Respectfully submitted,

Suzan Knisley

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