

**Susan Bonn**

Thank you for your consideration for re-election to the St. Moritz ISC Board of Directors. As you are probably aware, I am the current President of the Club. While on the Board, I have served in several capacities: President, Vice President, Secretary and Director. I have also served as a delegate to Governing Council, representing St. Moritz at the Annual Meeting for the members of U.S. Figure Skating. I also belong to the following National Committees: Adult Figure Skating, Finance Committee, and Memorial Fund Committee, which I served 3 years as Chair.

I was a skater as a child and as an adult as well, though I am not currently on the ice. I love the comradery that skaters have—childhood friends are adult friends. And though I was away from the sport for quite a few years, when I came back it was like I never left—from a standpoint of friends. (Actually skating was another story).

We have accomplished a lot in the past several years, but we have much more to do. We are your voice in the skating community and I take that very seriously. I look forward to continuing the mission and legacy of St. Moritz ISC. I would be pleased to serve another term, but I need your support.

Happy Skating!

**Lisa Erle**

I have been a member of St. Moritz for approximately 40 years. I began as a skater – competing, participating in shows, and taking tests over a ten year period. I also volunteered to assist with off-ice activities, competitions, and other events sponsored by the Club during that time. I am currently a National judge and referee. I continue to assist with the planning and organizing of club-hosted competitions and events, as well as off-ice activities. I have been a member of the Board for the past 14 years, serving as President and Vice President, as well as Treasurer during that time. I have enjoyed working with my fellow Board members and would be honored to continue my service to the club in this capacity.

**Alyn Libman**

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**Christopher Newton**

My family and I came to Oakland about 4 years ago and have been involved in the St. Moritz club ever since. I am currently the trauma director at Oakland Children's Hospital, and therefore I am also heavily involved in the sports medicine program. As part of this role, I have fairly extensive administrative experience and have served on numerous boards and committees at the regional, state and national level.

Over the past four years I have progressively become more involved in the medical coverage demands that the rink and the club must meet to host a sanctioned competition. This work has included coordination of coverage for Skate St. Moritz, regionals, and sectionals. By doing this I gained tremendous insight regarding the amount of work the board puts into each competition, and how much the club leadership truly cares about supporting each skater. I am really proud of this club, and would love to help it accomplish even more in the years to come.

But first and foremost, I am a skating parent. I strive to be involved and supportive of any activity my daughter engages in. Like all of the parents at the rink, I want to be there for her, help and protect her. Contributing what knowledge and skills I have for the St. Moritz board would clearly be an excellent way for me to personally achieve those goals.

**Dirk Vanderlaan**

Hello, my name is Dirk Vanderlaan, and I am delighted to be considered for reelection to the SMISC Board of Directors.

I am an adult skater, having first started skating in my early 20's and being a member of the Los Angeles FSC. I stopped skating for 30 years, and restarted 7 years ago. I had forgotten how fun it is. When I first met my wife of 33 (!) years, we were surprised to find out that we both skated, which led to a lot of skating dates and friends.

I have served the past two years as a board member for SMISC. I have also served on a number of boards and committees for various other clubs and activities. I am an accountant by training, and have been a business manager for startup companies for a number of years. I have served on school boards, and am actively involved in my church.

I have been involved with some of our clubs activities such as Skate St Moritz and the volunteer committee. I hope to get that program relaunched, as I am convinced that members have fun when working together and getting to know each other. With over 500 members, there is a lot of talent to draw from in our club. I have seen a lot of enthusiasm from those who volunteer and hope to channel that energy in positive ways for SMISC.

I have attended USFSA governing council meetings and learned a lot in the club education seminars. It is fun to learn more about our parent organization and to find out what other clubs are doing that we could profit from. My hope is to help make our club a fun and rewarding experience for all. Thank you for considering all of the candidates who are willing to serve.