

2014 Candidates for the KSER Board of Directors



Alan Jacobson

Occupation: Branch Manager, Evergreen Branch Library | **Residence:** Everett, WA | **On Public Radio:** We need a voice that doesn't belong to corporate America. The value of public radio lies in the fact that it is beholden to its listeners alone. It can provide unfettered access to just the music, news, and information that it public demands...and deserves. There is less and less of a counter voice to Clear Channel these days. Every public radio station is invaluable. | **Board/Community Experience:** Everett Library Board meetings; Community-based strategic planning process for Everett Public Library and Oak Park Public Library; Casino Road Stakeholders group; presentations at most Everett neighborhood associations; outreach and partnerships with many Everett not-for-profits such as Goodwill and the South Everett Neighborhood Center.



Nina Martinez

Occupation: Health care business consultant | **Residence:** Everett, WA | **On Public Radio:** I believe public radio is a powerful solution to bring communities together. KSER effectively promotes well-informed information to its listeners and challenges them to think in broader terms. KSER serves as a non-partisan conduit to listeners, irrespective of differences of opinion. As a KSER Foundation Board member, I will further the KSER mission to connect with more diverse communities resulting in continued expansion of listeners that are in support of this important media outlet. | **Board/Community Experience:** Chair of the Latino Civic Alliance, a non partisan civic engagement organization 2010 to present; State advocate on labor, human rights, health care, education, public safety and economic development.



Robert Shoup

Occupation: Engineer | **Residence:** Edmonds, WA | **On Public Radio:** Strong communities have an informed and involved public that is engaged in arts, education and political issues. Independent nonprofit stations, like KSER and KXIR, have an important role in supporting these initiatives. I am happy to support the KSER Foundation in enriching our communities. | **Board/Community Experience:** Stevens Hospital Foundation, Edmonds Public Education Foundation, Richmond Beach Congregational United Church of Christ Board of Trustees.



Laurie Wheeler

Occupation: Owner, Maestra Communications, faculty at The School of On-Line Business | **Residence:** Camano Island, WA | **On Public Radio:** Our airwaves are owned by the people and should reflect the diverse and divergent views and cultural expressions of the people. I love KSER's commitment to broadcasting local voices and regional points of view. The Pacific Northwest has a unique view point in American Culture that often goes unrepresented in popular mainstream media, KSER and now KXIR provide that important space for our community to have a central platform from which to speak, invest, and act on what is important to us where we live. As an online entrepreneur and social media expert, I bring extensive experience in communications and the necessary skillsets required to empower and improve online ventures. | **Board/Community Experience:** Camano Island Library Friends, past Vice President; Stanwood Camano Community Fair, Department Superintendent; South Camano Grange, Past President.



Mission: Advance the common good in our community through public radio and other services dedicated to arts, ideas and civic engagement.

KSER Foundation is an independent non-profit foundation 501(c)3 governed by a Board of Directors elected annual by foundation members. Directors typically serve on the board for a three-year term, unless appointed to fill open seats, and they are limited to three consecutive terms. The public is invited to attend board meetings! More information: ksr.org.

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Laurie Wheeler (*Appointed May 2014 to open position*)