

**OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT
Wilmette Public Schools**

ACTION ITEM

Date: May 22, 2017
To: Members, Board of Education
From: Raymond E. Lechner, Ph.D.
Subject: Community Review Committee (CRC) Members-At-Large

PROPOSED ACTION BY BOARD OF EDUCATION

Approve Laura Nieder, Matthew Pietrafetta and Anne Sullivan to serve as a members-at-large on the Community Review Committee (CRC).

BACKGROUND

The CRC bylaws state that “CRC membership may consist of ... persons in an at-large capacity who are recommended by the Superintendent and approved by the Board of Education.” In addition, “an individual who has served as a CRC representative may serve a contiguous term as a CRC at-large at the invitation of the Superintendent and subject to BOE approval.”

Laura Nieder recently moved to Wilmette and has a B.A. in Economics from Wellesley College and an MBA from UCLA. Her career has predominantly been in finance, and she recently started her own financial consulting firm, Treman Advisors. Treman Advisors assists on all aspects of transaction execution and investment analysis in working with foundations, family offices and private investors to evaluate opportunities focused on achieving financial and/or impact goals.

Matthew Pietrafetta served on CRC from 2014-17 and was CRC President from 2015-16. He has a B.A. from Trinity College and a Ph.D. in English Literature from Columbia University. He is the founder of Academic Approach, a company which provides tutoring for individuals and ACT & SAT prep courses for schools.

Anne Sullivan has a B.A. from the University of Illinois and an M.S. from Northwestern University, both in Communications. After working as a marketing director for high tech companies in Chicago, San Francisco, and Washington, D.C., Anne served as the Director of Development for both Georgetown and Northwestern Universities. Since 2009, she has her own marketing and fundraising consulting practice. In addition, she has been an active volunteer in District 39 for the past nine years, including serving for two years as the Co-President of the Highcrest PTO.