

## **Friends of Oak Ridge National Laboratory**

### **Annual Meeting—February 11, 2025**

The FORNL annual meeting was called to order at 11:50 a.m. by President Ellen Smith. Approximately 25 members were physically present, with another 34 in attendance via Zoom. This represented a quorum.

President Smith explained that the meeting was called to elect FORNL board members to two-year terms and that FORNL members had received the announcement of this slate and a short biography of each candidate on January 31, 2025.

The Nominating Committee members— Alan Lowe (board and convenor), Rhonda Bogard, Kathy Gant (board), Fred Peretz (board), and Kent Williams—recommended the following slate of nominees for the 2025 Board:

- Sydney Ball, who will start his 3<sup>rd</sup> term;
- Gloria Caton, who will start her 1<sup>st</sup> term;
- Carolyn Krause, who will start her 3<sup>rd</sup> term;
- Roger Macklin, who will start his 1<sup>st</sup> term;
- Steve Overbury, who will start his 2<sup>nd</sup> term.

Returning board members not up for election this year are:

- Kathy Gant, who will finish her 1<sup>st</sup> term;
- Ray Garrett, who will finish his 2<sup>nd</sup> term;
- Alan Lowe, who will finish his 1<sup>st</sup> term.
- David Mullins, who will finish his 3<sup>rd</sup> term;
- Ellen Smith, who will finish her 3<sup>rd</sup> term;

President Smith called for additional board nominees from the floor (a bylaws requirement). No additional nominees were proposed so the nomination segment was closed.

The membership voted on the board members proposed by the Nominating Committee. The proposed members were elected by acclamation.

President Smith thanked the Nominating Committee for their work and the support she received from all board members during the last year.

Identification of board officer nominations for 2025 remains to be completed and will be considered by the new board at its March meeting. As of now, nominations are:

- To be identified, President;
- To be identified, Vice President;
- To be identified, Secretary;
- David Mullins, Treasurer.

President Smith extended the board's sincere appreciation to retiring board members David Fields and Fred Peretz. Board officers Ellen Smith, Steve Overbury, Fred Peretz, and Dave Mullins were thanked for serving during the 2024-25 year. Special thanks was given to Herb Krause for his management of Zoom presentations of the lunch lectures.

No additional business for the annual meeting was proposed from the floor.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:55 a.m., and a presentation of the monthly luncheon lecture followed.

Respectfully submitted by Fred Peretz, Secretary