

## **School Committee Seeks Candidates for Lincoln Scholarship Committee**

The Lincoln Scholarship Committee is a Lincoln town committee consisting of three residents, two of whom are appointed by the Town Moderator, and one of whom is appointed by the Lincoln School Committee. The School Committee is currently seeking an appointee to serve for a renewable three-year term on the Committee.

The responsibilities on the Committee focus upon funding needs-based scholarships and administering five awards that are funded through endowments administered by the Town, two of which are thanks to the Ogden Codman Trust. Some specific tasks of the committee include:

- Mailing a town-wide appeal each spring to seek donations;
- Announcing the awards and scholarship opportunities through local press outlets and to all Lincoln-resident students enrolled at Lincoln-Sudbury Regional High School and Minuteman Regional Technical High School;
- Interviewing students who apply for scholarships;
- Ensuring all funds are disbursed to students before the fall.

Meetings are clustered in the late winter and springtime, and require approximately 30 hours of dedicated work per year. One member serves as liaison to the Codman Trust, one member is responsible for liaising with the town treasurer, and one member is responsible for composing and distributing the annual appeal letter. For fall 2014, the Committee will also be liaising with the LS Scholarship Committee and attending both the Financial Aid and College Fair events at LS to provide more information to Lincoln-resident families about the scholarship opportunities. For more information about the position, please contact Carolyn Dwyer or Nancy Marshall, Trustees for the Lincoln Scholarship Committee.

If interested in serving on the committee, please submit a letter of interest to Jennifer Glass, Chair of the Lincoln School Committee at [schoolcomm@lincnet.org](mailto:schoolcomm@lincnet.org). Submissions due by October 17, 2014. Interviews with the School Committee will be held on October 23, 2014.

To: School Committee  
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September 27, 2014

Jennifer Glass, Chair  
Lincoln School Committee,  
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Dear Jennifer Glass:

This letter is in response to the announcement in The Lincoln Journal of September 26, 2014 seeking applicants for a position on the Lincoln Scholarship Committee. Over the past couple of months I have been reflecting on ways in which I might involve myself more fully in Lincoln Town affairs. This opening for a volunteer seems to me to be a good fit for my interests and background and to provide a way in which I could make a contribution to the community.

I am currently a Research Professor in Clark University's Department of International Development, Community, and Environment where I have been on the faculty for over 30 years in both teaching and administrative capacities. In those capacities I have had many opportunities to serve on admissions committees for both undergraduate and graduate students at Clark. I have also been involved with selection of Fulbright scholars both as the committee chair on the Clark campus and for the Washington Office for which I have served as a member and chair of the Fulbright Selection Committee for scholars from Africa. I have also served on the review committee for the New Hampshire Charitable Foundation and for the then Bunting Institute Carnegie International Peace Fellowship. In these selection and admissions processes, I have been involved in reviewing applications and/or interviewing candidates. I believe these experiences would serve me well in a role on the Lincoln Scholarship Committee.

Other volunteer service has included membership on the Board of Directors of Oxfam America as well as professional activities particularly related to my interests in women and development and Africa. At present I am serving as a volunteer for English@Large facilitating conversation groups for newcomers to this country who are trying to strengthen their spoken English.

If invited, I would be pleased to meet with the School Committee on October 23. I have plans to be out-of-town for the next three weeks, returning to Lincoln on October 20. However, I shall be available through email should you wish to contact me.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,  
Barbara Slayter