

# Board of Directors Election

In accordance with the BMI Federal Credit Union® bylaws, each year a Nominating Committee recommends a slate of candidates to fill all Board of Director openings. The Committee interviews qualified candidates and all selected nominees must be willing to unselfishly volunteer their time and talent. BMI Federal Credit Union Directors will meet an average of two times per month, without pay, for Board and Committee meetings. This year there are three open positions serving a term of three years.



## **Melita Garrett Abbey**

Melita has been employed by American Signature, Inc. for approximately 31 years and currently holds the position of Deputy General Counsel where she counsels and handles matters related to consumer law, commercial transactions, labor and employment, and litigation. A member of BMI FCU since 2003, Melita has served as Associate Director (2007-2013) and on the Board of Directors since 2013. She has served on several committees, including the governance and nominating committees. Melita holds a Bachelor in Public Administration (with honors) from Franklin University and received her Juris Doctorate (cum laude, Order of the Curia) from Capital University Law School.



## **Brad Ashbrook**

Brad has extensive finance and accounting experience working across multiple technology industry verticals. He has demonstrated success supporting large, small, and startup businesses as well as strong leadership to drive the successful achievement of business objectives. Brad's experience includes working for Battelle for 27 years, where he advanced through progressively more senior finance and accounting leadership roles. A member of BMI FCU for 37 years, Brad has served on the Supervisory Committee, was Vice Chair, and is the current Chairman for the Board of Directors. Brad holds a B.S. in Accounting from The Ohio State University.



## **Steve Phillips**

Steve is retired from Battelle after 32 years of service as its Director of Columbus Internal Audit. He has been a BMI FCU member for 44 years and has served on the Supervisory Committee and on the Board of Directors for 29+ years. Steve has held various positions on the Board including Chair, Vice Chair, Secretary and Treasurer. He holds a B.A. in Accounting from Michigan State University and an MBA from the University of Dayton. Steve is also a Certified Public Accountant (CPA) in Ohio.



## **ANNUAL MEETING**

**BMI Federal Credit Union Annual Meeting will be held at the Dublin location at 6:00 p.m. in The Sharon L. Custer Member Meeting Room on April 15, 2026.**

Nominations for the Board of Directors may also be made by petition. The petition, containing the printed names and signatures of a minimum of 1% of the total membership, must be submitted to the BMI FCU® Board Secretary by February 15, 2026. Written statement of qualifications, biographical information, and statement of willingness to serve if elected must accompany the nominee's petition. If there is one nominee for each position to be filled and no nominations by petition are received, the Committee's nominee will be declared elected. Therefore, no mail ballot will be mailed. Completed ballots are sent to an independent election teller. Election results will be announced by the Board Chair at the BMI Federal Credit Union Annual Business Meeting on April 15, 2026.

