

RSVA BOARD 2012 ELECTIONS

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The Annual RSVA Summer Convention provides RSVA membership with the opportunity to develop organizational agendas for the upcoming year, as well as renew Board positions through elections.

This year the Offices of the President, 2nd Vice-President, Secretary, and five Board of Directors positions were confirmed by way of election from the membership.

Dan Sippl (WI), 2010-2012 RSVA President, was unopposed and received unanimous re-election to that office. Dan has worked extremely hard in many areas for Randolph-Sheppard vendors over the past two years and affirmed his commitment to continue his hard work and support for members throughout the nation.

Charles L. Carroll (Alabama), was elected to the Office of the 2nd Vice-President. Charlie has been an RSVA Board Member and member-at-large for many years and his continued support for RSVA in this position will be greatly appreciated. Charlie's background will be featured soon in The Vendorscope.

Ardis Bazyn (Ca), was re-elected to the Office of the Secretary. Ardis has provided excellent support for the RSVA Executive Board, as well as the Board of Directors, and will continue serving with excellence. Please refer to the profile in this issue of The Vendorscope for details of Ardis' background.

Warren Toyama (HI), was again re-elected to the Board of Directors. Warren has served RSVA over the years in many capacities and has been a long-time Board Member. Warren's profile was featured in The Vendorscope this past year as well. You may also read about him on the website, rsva.biz.

Eddie Turner (MS), was also re-elected to the Board of Directors. Eddie hales from Jackson, Mississippi and has advocated for Randolph-Sheppard vendors on numerous occasions. Eddie was awarded the RSVA "Vendor of the Year" Award this year and will be profiled in an upcoming issue of the Vendorscope.

A new Board member, Ken Jessup, Virginia Beach, VA has been a longtime member of RSVA. As a graduate of Virginia Commonwealth University, Ken entered the Vending Stand Program in Virginia in 1973 and left in 1998, only to return in 2000 for two more years. Ken served on his State's Vendor Facilities Council for 15 years. He has been a member of RSVA since the mid 1990's. He has owned a lobbyist company over the past 18 years and his work has encompassed Virginia, Tennessee, West Virginia, Alabama and Washington, D.C. Ken has been a Life Member of both ACB and RSVA.

Roy Harmon (CA), was elected as a Board Member. Roy has been an RSVA member for many years and has served in numerous capacities supporting Randolph-Sheppard issues. Roy has been a recipient of both the RSVA "Vendor of the Year" Award and the "Don Cameron Advocacy Award". Roy will also be profiled in a future edition of The Vendorscope.