



Debra Oakman

Director (Independent)

Comox Valley

Director Since: 2017 | Term: 2017 – 2020

Debra has been an active member of the Vancouver Island community for many years and brings a wealth of experience and knowledge to the Coastal Community Credit Union Board of Directors.

Debra retired in 2017 from the Chief Administrative Officer (CAO), senior executive role with Comox Valley Regional District, and like many in local government wore several 'hats' including CAO for the Comox Strathcona Regional Hospital District and Secretary for the North Island 9-1-1 Corporation. Along with local governments executive leadership certification, Debra is a Certified Professional Accountant, and currently in her first 3-year term of office with CCCU is working towards completing Credit Union Directors Association certification.

With the combination of education and experience in strategic planning, financial planning, audit and risk management experience, Debra nicely complements the CCCU board team governance competences. In Debra's spare time she combines her passion for the outdoors and horses by being an active volunteer with the Back Country Horsemen of BC and is lead volunteer in working with provincial and local governments, resource sector organizations and other non-profit organizations to assist with design, development, maintenance and operation of multi-use trails and horse camps/recreation sites in the north Vancouver Island area.

Areas of Expertise/Experience

- Change Management
- Governance
- Government/Public Relations
- Human Resources & Executive Compensation
- Strategic Planning

Education/Designations

- Chartered Professional Accountant (CPA)
- Certified Management Accountant (CMA)
- Executive Certificate in Local Government Leadership
- Coaching Certification – Level 1

Other Board Appointments (Current)

- Chair – Back Country Horsemen of BC, North Vancouver Island Chapter

2018

Committees

- Investment & Lending Committee (Jan- Apr)
- Nominating Committee
- Audit & Risk Committee (May-Dec)

Coastal Community Subsidiaries

- Coastal Community Insurance Services (2007) Ltd. (May-Dec)

Attendance

- Board Meetings = 13/13
- Committees = 10/10
- Subsidiaries = 4/4

Educational Activities

Credit Union System Education:

- *CuSource courses*

External Education:

- Attended the Vancouver Island Economic Alliance Conference (VIEA)
- CPA workshops