

Steve Horne

Candidate for Board of Directors

Steve Horne moved to Interlochen in 2016 from Lafayette, IN where, as a retired executive, he worked in volunteer roles with The Community Foundation where he chaired the Governance Committee, The United Way (where he was Volunteer of the Year), Mental Health America, the Chamber of Commerce (where he chaired a standing committee and lobbied on behalf of the Greater Lafayette community at both the State and Federal level). He served also on 5 committees at the University of Tennessee, including as Chairman of the Governance committee for the College of Arts and Sciences.

Professionally, Steve worked for Ford Motor Company for 25 years, serving in senior leadership roles in Finance, Logistics, and Business Planning. He had performance responsibility for global logistics costs for Ford and, in that role, led offices across North America and Europe with advisory roles in South America, Australia, and Japan. Following his retirement from Ford in 2002, Steve took on the role of Senior Management Consultant to the Provost and the Vice-President for Finance at Michigan State University and served on the senior staff for the CIO and the CFO. Additionally, he served as a consultant for the University of Chicago, developing their Change Management protocols for the replacement of their administrative systems and as Project Director at Harvard University in replacing their financial management systems.

Locally, Steve volunteers for the United Way of Northwest Michigan (Finance Committee), the Boom Boom Club (think 4th of July fireworks on Grand Traverse Bay), at the Interlochen Center for the Arts, and the TC Film Festival. He holds appointed positions on the Green Lake Township Planning Commission and the Grand Traverse County Board of Canvassers (we certify our elections).

Additionally, he serves on the Grants Committee for the Friends of the Sleeping Bear Dunes. The common thread across his professional and volunteer careers has been answering the call to serve. As a member of the Friends Board, he offers a background based in planning, finance, assessment, and change management. He would be honored to be considered for a position on the Friend Board.