

## Becky Brumley Nominated Candidate

15 Beach Villas

Becky and her husband, David, recently bought a second home at Beach Villas. They have vacationed at Hilton Head with their two daughters for more than 25 years. Becky retired from the Tennessee Department of Health after 32 years working in various capacities including community assessment and planning, grants management, and leading a large county health department. Her current position with the Tennessee Chapter of the American Academy of Pediatrics allows her to work part-time as an advocate for children. She served as president of a homeowner's association in Franklin, TN, where she and her husband currently reside and has served on the boards of directors for several non-profit agencies.

Becky's professional experience has focused on assisting organizations to assess strengths and opportunities to improve efficiency and provide exceptional services to clients. Becky also assists organizations in developing team infrastructures, strategic planning and identifying short- and long-term goals.

Becky is an avid gardener and is happiest when her hands are in the dirt. She and her husband enjoy attending Nashville Predators hockey games, concerts, and both are alumni of the University Tennessee, Go Vols!



## Candidate Q&A: Becky Brumley

1. Why do you want to serve on the PDPOA Board of Directors -- and is there anything in particular you would like to accomplish?

Being new owners, we are looking for ways to meet other homeowners and get involved in resort life. I believe it is important to be involved in the Palmetto Dunes Community where we are spending a great deal of time and have invested for our future and the future of our children and grandchildren. If I were chosen, one of the items I would be most excited about is to be involved in would be the conversion of the Dunes House to the Beachfront Clubhouse. Our property is only a few steps away from the Dunes House and look forward to spending even more time in the new facility. I would like to work toward developing a plan for enhanced internet and cell phone services. With the onset of COVID many employers have expanded the ability of employees to work remotely. Having enhanced service would make Palmetto Dunes even more attractive to current property owners as well as those spending time here for pleasure.

2. What skills and experiences do you believe you can contribute to the Board -- and more generally to Palmetto Dunes?

My professional expertise has allowed me to gain experience in assisting organizations to assess strengths and opportunities to improve efficiency and provide exceptional services to clients. I have assisted organizations in developing team infrastructures, strategic planning and identifying short- and long-term goals. Many of my years working for state government gave me experience in writing state and federal grants and managing multi-million-dollar level budgets. I spent several years organizing and facilitating community groups leading them through a process to assess the health of their community based on data and plan programs to address identified areas of concern. This gave me great experience in working with groups and understanding group dynamics.

3. Have you served on any non-profit boards, including HOAs -- and what did you learn from your service?

I served over 5 years as the president of the homeowners association in our current neighborhood where we have lived for 23 years. I began a neighborhood watch program, focused on better communication by publishing a quarterly newsletter with information about new property owners, celebrating neighbor-

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hood accomplishments and planned bi-annual neighborhood gatherings. I have been involved in several non-profits and government boards over the years. Some from start-up to long existing boards. My most important lesson learned is a successful organization has very strong, involved board of directors. It takes time, dedication, and passion from members of the board as well as other members and staff to move an organization in a positive direction.

4. Among the communities on Hilton Head Island, why did you select Palmetto Dunes?

We have vacationed at Hilton Head for more than 20 years. We have stayed in different areas of the island, but Palmetto Dunes Resort was the place we loved to return to. It just felt like home every time we turn into the resort and head toward the North Gate. I am an avid gardener, so I was attracted to the beautiful landscaping in every season. We love to walk and ride bikes both on the beach and on the paths which do not feel as crowded as the other places we have stayed. Being in the center of the island it's proximity to Shelter Cove and many of our favorite dining places was a plus. Having access to facilities at the Dunes House when we had young children was extremely convenient if we were staying outside of walking distance. We have always felt secure in Palmetto Dunes with the patrol and visibility of security which to us is extremely important.

5. What do you see as the most important challenges facing Palmetto Dunes in the next 5 years?

It seems lately that security has been challenging. Helping those residing and staying in short-term rentals to understand basic security measures and PDPOA policies that they can follow to make their stay more pleasant. As in most places it is and will continue to be a challenge to recruit and maintain adequate staff with many not being able to find residence on the island. Lastly making certain that those in Palmetto Dunes have a voice in those decisions that indirectly affect property owners and visitors such as infrastructure of roads, use of non-developed land, preservation of the unique history of the island.