Board of Directors

JONATHAN PEW (Summerland)  
Chair

Jon is a retired Professional Agrologist who completed his career with the BC Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food as the Provincial Underwriting Manager for BC Crop Insurance. He holds undergraduate degrees in Economics and Environmental Biology and has a broad work experience that includes flying air interceptors in the Canadian military, wildlife management, fruit growing, and the administration of a sustainable crop insurance program for BC agriculture. Jon is an avid golfer, fly fisherman and sea kayaker who enjoys experiencing British Columbia’s unique beauty through participation.

GORD ARGUE (North Vancouver)  
Vice-Chair

Gord Argue has spent most of his life in Vancouver graduating from UBC with a Bachelor of Commerce degree. He is retired following completion of an extensive career as a Senior Partner with Hewitt Associates in Vancouver. He has also served as a Director for a variety of organizations including the BC Human Resource Management Association for whom he was President. He currently acts as a Director for Turning Point Recovery Society, as well as a Director of Capilano Golf and Country Club. In retirement he enjoys a variety of activities including golf, boating, tennis, motorcycling, fly fishing and photography.

MURRAY JACOBS (Victoria)  
Secretary Treasurer

Murray is a CPA (Chartered Professional Accountant), and retired after 30 years with the BC public service in the following areas: health, economy sector, forests and transportation. He has been involved in coaching and playing soccer most of his life, and currently enjoys travel, photography, jogging, biking, hiking, old cars and reading. He and his wife live on Langford Lake, and he is hoping his involvement with the Freshwater Fisheries Society of BC will bring him better luck fishing in his backyard.

GEORGE IWAMA (Vancouver)  
Director

Professor George Iwama received his B.Sc., M.Sc. and Ph.D. in Zoology from the University of British Columbia (UBC). He was a fish culturist at the Kootenay Trout Hatchery, near Cranbrook, BC, Canada. His distinguished career includes a tenured full-professorship in Animal Science at UBC, Director General of the National Research Council’s Institute for Marine Biosciences in Halifax, Dean of Science at Acadia University, Dean of Science at Carleton University, President and Vice-Chancellor of the University of Northern British Columbia, and Executive Vice President, Provost and Vice-CEO of Okinawa Institute of Science and Technology Graduate University, in Japan. Returning home to Vancouver in 2016, George held Adjunct Professorships in Zoology and in the Faculty of Land and Food Systems at his alma mater, UBC, and currently serves as President and Vice-Chancellor of Quest University.
MIKE RAMSAY (Williams Lake)
Director

Mike Ramsay is the Associate Director, Fish and Wildlife Branch, with the Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development. Mike is responsible for the management and operations of BC fisheries, including oversight of provincial fisheries biologist and stock assessment experts and oversight for complex allocation process and fisheries management decisions. Mike started with the Ministry of Environment as a Dean River Guardian in the early 1990’s and holds a Master of Aquaculture from Simon Fraser University and a Bachelor of Science from the University of Victoria. With a passion for fisheries and over 30 years in the field, Mike brings a broad range of experience and knowledge. Residing in Williams Lake with his wife and four children, Mike and his family enjoy fishing and hunting in the Cariboo region.

SCOTT BARRETT (Vancouver)
Director

Scott has been the Director of Resource Management for the Ministry of Forests, Lands and Natural Resource Operations in the South Coast since April of 2015. He provides leadership to a team of biologists, technicians, planners, hydrologists and other professionals in the assessment and management of ecological resources in the Sunshine Coast, Sea to Sky and Chilliwack resource districts. His 20 year career in the BC Public Service has been as an ecosystems biologist, section head and manager primarily focused on the management of habitat values and species at risk. Scott’s personal interests include birding, cycling, soccer and fly-fishing.

JAMIE ROSS (Victoria)
Director

Jamie is a Partner with Deloitte and leads the firm’s Risk Advisory practice in Victoria. He has over 20 years of experience in information technology consulting and works with the BC Public Sector in identifying, assessing and mitigating business and technology risks, with a focus on cybersecurity and privacy. His work includes assisting organizations in developing and implementing cybersecurity and/or privacy programs, conducting current-state cyber and privacy assessments and leading or supporting clients through significant cyber and privacy breaches. Jamie is also focused on enabling improved public sector information sharing and analytics through effective, risk-based cyber and privacy programs. Prior to his consulting career, Jamie worked as a research scientist studying the use of real-time monitoring information to manage environmental and public health risks.

ANDREW WILSON (Victoria)
President (Ex-Officio)

Andrew Wilson became the Freshwater Fisheries Society of BC President in 2015 and is an ex-officio member of our Board of Directors. Andrew left government in 2014 to become Vice President, Sport Fishing Division, with the Society. Prior to that he held the position of Director, Fish and Wildlife Branch, for the Province for three years and spent five years as the Provincial Fisheries Manager. He brings a wealth of fisheries management experience to the Society and the senior executive position. Andrew lives in Victoria and is an avid angler.