

**West Virginia University Retirees Association
Annual Meeting, April 23, 2026**

Candidate Biographies, Board of Directors

Faculty Representative

Name: Rudy Almasy

Rudy Almasy came to WVU's English Department in 1969 and retired in 2015. He served as associate chair and chair of the English Department before heading up to the Eberly College Dean's office. There his positions were associate dean for academic affairs, associate dean for college development, and interim dean. Later in his career, he did a stint as interim dean of the Davis College. Rudy's teaching interests were Early Modern British literature and history, English Education, and Fiction for Adolescents. With a PhD from the University of Minnesota in Renaissance and Reformation Studies, he concentrated his research and publishing on sixteenth-century English religious polemical writings. Rudy continues this work during his retirement - which means he is not really retired.

Faculty Representative

Name: Karen S. Long

Associate Professor Emerita, WVU School of Medicine, Department of Pathology, Clinical Laboratory Sciences Program

- Born and raised in Greensburg Pennsylvania
- Received two degrees from WVU:
 - o BSMT (69) – Bachelor of Science in Medical Technology
 - o MSMT (77) – Master of Science in Medical Technology
- Elected to the National Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi, WVU Chapter, 1977

Employment:

- WVU Hospital Clinical Laboratories – 8 years
- Morgantown ENT Clinic – 7 years
- Faculty of WVU Medical Technology (Clinical Laboratory Sciences) Program – 20 years
 - o Taught clinical microbiology, clinical mycology, clinical immunology
 - o Served on WVU Faculty Senate, several School of Medicine committees, several department and program committees

Volunteer Activities:

- Osher Lifelong Learning Institute (OLLI)
 - o Honor Roll Faculty (taught 10 courses/60 class session hours)
 - o Served three terms on Board of Directors
 - o Member of Curriculum Committee and Travel Committee
- Animal Friends of North Central WV Thrift Shoppe – 1 day/week
- Board of Directors – Literacy Volunteers of Monongalia and Preston Counties
- Charter and Current Member – Goodwill City Ambassadors

Personal Statement:

Being able to “give back” is important to me so, as a WVU retiree, I would appreciate the opportunity to serve on the Board of Directors.

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Non-Classified Staff Representative

Name: Carol Henry

Carol Henry moved to Morgantown in 1975 and has been involved with WVU and the Morgantown community ever since. She worked as a lecturer in the WVU Math Department and as a graduate teaching assistant in Curriculum & Instruction during her early years in Morgantown and while her two sons were young. In 1984 she was hired to help train the first 10 IBM PC users at the Department of Energy site in Morgantown and continued working there as a PC Support Specialist for six years. In 1990 she was hired to coordinate PC support for the Chambers College of Business & Economics. During her time with the Chambers College, she was active campus-wide with many computer-related committees and projects. She retired as Director of Information Technology for the Chambers College in 2018.

Carol earned a BS in mathematics from Bethany College, a MA in mathematics from Pitt, and an Ed D in Curriculum & Instruction (Math and Computer Ed) from WVU in 1984.

Since her retirement, Carol served as treasurer of the Morgantown Community Kitchen for two years and has been involved with OLLI, her church council, and the Rotary Club of Morgantown. She is currently in the last year of her 3-year term on the Board of the WVU Retirees Association and is serving as Treasurer for the second year.

Carol believes retirees have much to offer to the wonderful community we live in and believes the community has much to offer retirees. She would welcome the opportunity to continue her work on the Board with projects to increase opportunities for retiree involvement in social and educational activities and in community service activities.

Non-Classified Staff Representative

Name: Kim Mosby

I was born and raised in Morgantown and received my BSW and MSW here at WVU. I retired from WVU after 40 years of service, first in Medical Records in the WVU and Ruby Hospitals for six years and the rest of the time in various positions in Student Affairs/Student Life. I retired in 2022 as Senior Associate Dean of Students and Student Advocate, providing educational, cultural, financial and social support for students, faculty and community members. I am very honored to have developed lifelong relationships with many in the groups that I have served.

I am also very honored to be nominated to serve as a member of the Board of the Retirees Association. I look forward to the opportunity to serve other retirees and to keep the connection to the campus that I served to the best of my abilities. I was very pleased to see all of the benefits and activities that this association provides. These programs not only enrich the retirement of the members but also help them to remain connected to former colleagues and gives them the opportunity to meet new friends. If elected, I look forward to serving enthusiastically.