

Common Cause: Wanda Sloan of Beloit joins Wisconsin board

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Wanda Sloan, a life-long resident of Beloit and a long-time educator and community organizer, has been elected to the State Governing Board of Common Cause in Wisconsin (CC/WI), the state's largest non-partisan political reform organization with more than 7,700 members and activists. Sloan is currently an independent consultant on issues of race relations, diversity/inclusion, and cultural competency. She is retired from Blackhawk Technical College after 34 years of serving as Minority Student Advisor, and as a Human Resources Diversity and Training Development Specialist and adjunct faculty member teaching diversity and inclusion.

"Wanda Sloan brings a wealth of experience and expertise in community building and in connecting people to bring about inclusion and active participation in the community and in the positive functioning of our local and state institutions. These are the very fundamental building blocks of our democracy," said former State Senator **Tim Cullen** of Janesville, the current Chair of CC/WI, who has known Sloan for many years and nominated her to serve on the CC/WI Board.

Ms. Sloan has a MS degree in Public Administration and a minor in Business Administration from Cardinal Stritch University and is the recipient of numerous awards, including the Rosa Parks Activist Award at national, regional and local levels. She is currently a member of the Beloit NAACP, serving as the State Youth/College Advisor. She is also a member of the Beloit League of Women Voters and the National Affirmative Action Association.

"I look forward to joining the Board of Common Cause in Wisconsin to help restore Wisconsin to its rightful place as a leader in voting rights and participation and to ensure fair voting maps so that citizens can choose their elected representatives instead of the opposite, which is what we have now in this state," Sloan said.

Sloan joins Common Cause in Wisconsin Board Members: Tim Cullen of Janesville, Penny Bernard Schaber of Appleton, David Deininger of Monroe, Mike Drew of

Milwaukee, Kristin Hansen of Waukesha, Bill Hotz of Brookfield, David Martin of Muscoda, E. Michael McCann of Mequon, Calvin Potter of Sheboygan Falls, Robert Schweder of Princeton and Roger Utnehmer of Wausau. Sue Conley of Janesville and Kriss Marion of Blanchardville recently resigned from the CC/WI Board to run as partisan candidates for the Wisconsin Assembly, which is required by CC/WI by-laws.