Board Member Profiles 2017-18

Chuck Daggs (Chair of the Board)
Chuck is a former executive vice president and managing executive for Wells Fargo Private Bank. In this role, he oversaw the business’ regions, which provide investment management, private banking, trust, estate planning, insurance, brokerage and integrated wealth management services to high-net worth and affluent individuals. Chuck joined Wells Fargo in 1998 and held other senior management positions including CEO of Wells Fargo Investments, national sales director and senior managing director for Wealth Management.

Chuck is a 30-year financial services industry veteran. Prior to joining Wells Fargo he was a senior managing director and partner of Bear Stearns & Co., chairman and CEO of San Francisco based Sutro & Co. and regional director of Blyth, Eastman, Dillon.

He graduated with honors from the University of Maryland where he earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Economics. He serves as Chair of the KIPP Bay Area Schools Board of Directors and is a member of the World Presidents’ Organization.

Jay Allen
As EVP of Human Resources and Employee Services, Jay led Schwab’s investments in building an engaged and high-performing workforce focused on delighting clients. He was responsible for human resources, talent programs, compensation and benefits, employee communications, corporate public relations, events and production services, community services and the Charles Schwab Foundation. Previously, Jay led the Human Resources and Communications functions for Schwab’s core retail brokerage enterprise, Schwab Investor Services. In that role, Allen partnered closely with Schwab leadership in refining the Schwab Investor Services business model, refocusing employees on delivering outstanding client service, streamlining the organization and improving financial performance. Before joining Schwab in 2003, he was Vice President, Human Resources and Administration for GE Consumer Finance-Japan, based in Tokyo. He also held executive positions with NBC Internet, Oacis Healthcare Systems and IBM. Jay has extensive experience with large-scale organizational change initiatives, including merger and acquisition integration.

He currently serves as a board member for the Charles Schwab Foundation and KIPP Bay Area Schools. Jay received his bachelor’s degree from the New York State School of Industrial and Labor Relations at Cornell University and is a certified Senior Professional in Human Resources.

Michael Cohen
Michael, co-founder and Principal of Strada, is a member of the Investment Committee and helps lead Strada’s deal sourcing efforts throughout the Western United States. Michael is actively involved in Strada’s most complex redevelopment and entitlement projects and had direct oversight of Strada’s Block 1 project.

Prior to founding Strada, Michael served as the Director of the City of San Francisco’s Office of Economic and Workforce Development, overseeing economic and real estate development. He was the City of San
Francisco’s primary negotiator on many of the largest development projects over the last decade, including Naval Station Treasure Island, the Hunters Point Shipyard and the Transbay Terminal.

Previously, Michael was head of the Real Estate and Public Finance Group of the San Francisco City Attorney’s Office. He served as lead transaction counsel on a number of complex public-private development deals in San Francisco, including the new de Young Museum, the development of the Hotel Vitale, and the renovation of Harding Park Golf Course, and has structured over $3 billion in public and private real estate transactions.

Prior to joining the City Attorney’s Office, Michael was a real estate lawyer for the international law firm of Morrison & Foerster, focusing on real estate acquisitions, dispositions, financings and restructurings. He has a J.D. from the University of California, Hastings College of the Law and a B.A. from the University of Wisconsin, Madison.

Andrea Evans
A graduate of Stanford University and Harvard Law School, Andrea litigated a broad range of matters for ten years before leaving private law practice. She has also worked with her husband at CSL Strategies, LLC, a communications consulting firm, and has served as the legal director of a San Francisco human rights based non-profit, the Center for Justice & Accountability. During her stint at CJA, Andrea also served as Chair of the Human Rights Section of the San Francisco Bar Association. Andrea is also a founding member of The Savvy Source for Parents, an online guide to preschools across the country. She has served on the San Francisco Commission on the Status of Women and the San Francisco Fire Commission.

Andrea has also worked on a wide range of pro bono legal matters, including asylum petitions, representing victims of domestic violence, and has worked on behalf of many other human rights and civil rights causes.

Kevin Eyres
Kevin is the founder of GreyBella Ventures, an angel investment firm specifically focused on SaaS, Social, and Consumer Internet companies. Kevin recently moved back to Silicon Valley after living in the UK for 13 years.

During the time he was abroad, Kevin was responsible for the international operations of three Silicon Valley companies.

He is the former European MD of LinkedIn, a role he was appointed to in 2007, and where he was responsible for developing and delivering LinkedIn’s strategy and growth initiatives in Europe. Under his leadership, Kevin helped the then 14 million member base grow to over 100 million by April 2011.

Prior to LinkedIn, he was European MD at SideStep, now Kayak Travel. He previously was general manager of AltaVista International, spanning 14 countries. Both times, Kevin joined the companies as their first employee outside the US. He has significant experience in rapidly growing organizations. Kevin was a YPO member and has now joined WPO upon his return to the Bay Area. Kevin has experience in working with nonprofit boards of youth organizations and has also worked on a White House technology and education effort.

He started his career as an engineer at Compaq Computers where he spent ten years leading development teams during Compaq’s hyper growth phase. As well as holding a BS in Mathematics and Computer Science from the University of Texas in San Antonio, Kevin has six patents to his name. He lives on the Peninsula.
Cheryl Frank
Cheryl E. Frank is an equity portfolio manager at Capital Group. As an equity investment analyst, she covers the health care services sector and drug retail industry, as well as software companies in both the U.S. and Europe. She has 17 years of investment experience and has been with Capital Group for 14 years. Prior to joining Capital, she was a fixed-income derivatives marketing associate at J.P. Morgan. She holds an MBA and a certificate in global management and public management from Stanford Graduate School of Business, and a bachelor’s degree in environmental science and public policy from Harvard College graduating cum laude. Cheryl is based in San Francisco.

Abe Friedman
Abe Friedman is a Managing Partner and Founder of CamberView Partners, LLC. CamberView is the leading independent advisory firm to public companies serving boards and management teams on shareholder engagement and shareholder activism. Abe was a Managing Director at BlackRock where he served as the Global Head of BlackRock’s Corporate Governance and Responsible Investment functions worldwide. Abe led a team of 18 professionals in five offices around the globe. Abe’s service with BlackRock dated back to 2005, including his years with Barclays Global Investors (BGI), which merged with BlackRock in 2009.

Prior to joining Barclays Global Investors, Abe served as Chief Policy Officer and General Counsel for Glass, Lewis & Co., LLC, a corporate governance and proxy research firm. Abe joined Glass Lewis upon its founding and developed and led Glass Lewis’ proxy research business. Prior to that, Abe served as a Deputy City Attorney for the City and County of San Francisco where, among other efforts, he served as counsel to the San Francisco Ethics Commission and advised city officials on political ethics laws. Prior to his work in the City Attorney’s office, Abe managed telecommunications law and policy matters in-house at two telecommunications companies.

Abe previously completed 8 years of service on the Piedmont City Council, including two years as Mayor. In 2009, Mary Shapiro, Chairman of the US Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC), appointed Abe to serve on the SEC’s inaugural Investor Advisory Committee. Abe served as a member of the California Finance Committee for Obama for America in 2007–2008, served on the finance committee for Kamala Harris’ successful campaign for California Attorney General in 2010 and served on her transition team thereafter. Abe was previously a member of the Aspen Institute’s Corporate Values Strategy Group, a member of the Board of Directors of the San Francisco Chamber of Commerce and has served on several non-profit boards including the Jewish Federation of the East Bay, National Leadership Council of the Family Violence Prevention Fund, the Piedmont Scout Council and Camp Augusta, among others.

Doris Fisher
Doris and her husband Don Fisher founded Gap, Inc. in 1969, opening their first Gap store in San Francisco. Still serving on the company’s Board of Directors, she has helped guide Gap, Inc. as it has grown into a cultural icon and one of the world’s most successful retailers. Doris earned her Bachelor of Science degree in Economics from Stanford University, where she serves on the Art Advisory Board and was a member of the Board of Trustees from 1992 to 2002.

She has served on the Board of Trustees of the Cancer Prevention Institute of California (formerly known as Northern California Cancer Center) since 1983. In addition to this service, she has also been a board member of the California division of the American Cancer Society, a member of the Board of Governors of the San Francisco Symphony, a member of the Board of Trustees of the San Francisco Museum of Modern Art, and a member of the board of the UCSF Foundation.
Laura Fisher
Laura Meier Fisher worked in the field of marketing and communications at KRON-TV, Golin Harris and McDonalds Corporation before having children. She now focuses her time and energy on education locally and nationally.

In addition to her service on the KIPP Bay Area Schools Board of Directors, she has served on the boards of Peer Health Exchange, Urban High School, and the advisory boards of the Yale Center for Dyslexia and Creativity, and the Center on Philanthropy and Civil Society at Stanford University. She has also served on the boards of the Bay Area Discovery Museum, Stanford School of Education, The Breakthrough Collaborative (formerly Summerbridge National), The San Francisco Day School, Lick Wilmerding High School Civic Engagement and Leadership Public Schools.

Laura graduated with a BS in Economics from Stanford University in ’88 and also holds a Masters in Counseling from the University of San Francisco. She resides in San Francisco.

Andrea Higuera-Ballard
Andrea is on the Board of Family Connections, the only parent-child participation program exclusively dedicated to low-income families in San Mateo County. She is currently the Chair of the Advancement Committee. She feels passionately about the work that Family Connections does to educate children and parents and to set the foundation for a lifelong love of learning.

Andrea was previously a Brand Manager at the Clorox Company, a strategy consultant for Swander, Pace & Company, and the Director of Public Affairs for the American Chamber of Commerce in Mexico City. Andrea served on the Board of Trustees of CuriOdyssey from 2005 - 2011, where she served as Board Vice Chair and Development Committee Chair. She is a classroom volunteer at South School in Hillsborough and President-Elect for the Hillsborough Schools Foundation.

Andrea received a Bachelor of Arts in International Relations with Distinction from Stanford University, an MBA from the Stanford Graduate School of Business, and a Diploma in International Business Administration from the Instituto Tecnologico Autonomo de Mexico. Andrea currently lives in Hillsborough with her husband and two children.

Ken Hirsch
Ken is a Partner Managing Director of Goldman, Sachs & Co. He currently serves as the Head of Technology, Media and Telecom (TMT) Investment Banking Services in the Investment Banking Division. Over the course of 25 years at Goldman Sachs, Ken has principally focused on advising and financing leading technology companies.

Ken serves as Board Chair for Castilleja School, is an advisory director and past president of the Portola Valley Schools Foundation and previously served on the Board of Governors for the San Francisco Symphony.

Ken earned a BA from the University of California, Berkeley, in 1988 and a Master of Management from the Kellogg School of Management at Northwestern University in 1993. He and his wife, Rebecca Long, have three children and live in Portola Valley, California.

Tom Holland
Tom is a Partner at Insignia Capital Group, and currently CEO of Insignia-owned company Century Snacks, a leading nuts, snacks and trail mix company. Tom was formerly President of Sunrun, the
nation's leading home solar power installation, financing and leasing company. He oversaw the organization's sales, marketing, product and software development operations.

Before joining Sunrun, Tom was head of Bain & Company’s San Francisco and Palo Alto offices. While at Bain, Holland co-founded the firm’s global private equity practice, and was elected to serve on Bain’s global board of directors and governance committees. He supported the growth and success of companies in a range of industries, including consumer products, technology, and telecommunications. Prior to joining Bain, Tom held positions with Clorox and Bain Capital.

Tom earned his MBA from Stanford University and holds a Bachelor of Science in Engineering from the University of California, Berkeley. He previously served on the board of Common Sense Media.

**Tonia Karr**
Tonia has extensive philanthropic, community development and volunteer experience. She currently serves on the Advisory Council for Stanford University’s Graduate School of Education and is a member of the Board of Trustees.

She is the former Vice Chair of the Meritus College Fund which provides college scholarships, career counseling and mentorship to low-income high school students. Additionally, she served on the board of Cow Hollow School, a San Francisco based preschool for children ages 2-5. Tonia previously worked in investment banking in New York and she received her MBA from Harvard in 1997 and her BA from Stanford in 1992. She currently lives in San Francisco with her husband and their three children.

**Jenny Risk**
In addition to her work with KIPP Bay Area Schools, Jenny also serves on the Nueva School’s Innovative Learning Conference planning committee. She was a KIPP board member in Nashville and also served on the board of Springstone School, a middle school serving students with Asperger’s Syndrome, as well as the Nashville Advisory board for Stand For Children.

Jenny and her husband Gerald live in Hillsborough with their children.

**Emily Rummo**
Emily is a founding Partner at Transcend, a nonprofit organization that leads innovation in school design in close partnership with visionary school operators around the country. Prior to joining Transcend, Emily was the founding Chief Operating Officer at KIPP Bay Area Schools and served in the role from 2008 - 2014. As COO, Emily oversaw finance, human resources, talent recruitment, real estate, technology, operations, and the KIPP Through College alumni program for the 11 school charter network, serving over 2,100 students. Emily began her career in management consulting, and spent two years on the venture team with NewSchools Venture Fund (2004-2006). She holds a BA in English from Dartmouth College, and an MBA and Masters in Education from Stanford. Emily lives in San Francisco with her husband and two young sons.

**Lisa Sobrato Sonsini**
Lisa is Board President of the Sobrato Foundation, a grant making foundation established in 1996. The Foundation has been lauded for its unique approach to philanthropy, including real estate donations, general operations support, and a specific commitment to education, including a new education fund. Prior to establishing the Foundation, Lisa practiced for five years as a corporate associate at the law firm of Brobeck, Phleger and Harrison. Lisa is passionate about working with youth, currently serving as Board President of the Silicon Valley Children’s Fund, Vice President of the Children’s Discovery Museum, and Past President of Child Advocates of Silicon Valley, Today’s Youth Matter and The Good Tidings Foundation. Lisa also serves as a Board member of Silicon Valley Social Ventures (SV2). Other board memberships include American Leadership Forum Silicon Valley and the Advisory Boards of UniversalGiving, Herban Health and the St. Francis High School Edge Fund. She was inducted into the San Mateo County Women’s Hall of Fame in 2001, and was a member of Class XIV of the American Leadership Forum, Silicon Valley.

Lisa received her JD from Boalt Hall, University of California at Berkeley in 1991 and her BA in Communication Studies with an emphasis in Business Administration from University of California at Los Angeles in 1988. She currently resides in Menlo Park with her husband Matthew and their three children.

Grace Voorhis
Grace is an advocate and advisor for non-profits focused on education. She is a founding member of the KIPP Bay Area Schools Board. She serves as a Trustee for the Nueva School, a nationally-recognized K-12 progressive school. At Nueva, she has held Board leadership positions in fundraising, strategic planning - including the founding of the Upper School, governance and various Task Force initiatives focused on diversity, school culture, and faculty recruitment. Grace serves as a Director for Aspire University, a teacher training graduate school currently undergoing university accreditation, and is co-chair of her 25th Harvard reunion committee. In the past, she has served as a Trustee of the Breakthrough Collaborative, a nationwide teacher training program and after-school and summer-school program for disadvantaged youth. She has been a volunteer in a number of pro bono Stanford ACT projects.

Grace is a former Partner at Morgan Stanley Venture Partners, where she was responsible for health care and medical device investments. Prior to Morgan Stanley Ventures, she was in investment banking at Morgan Stanley & Co. Grace received her AB magna cum laude from Harvard and her MBA from Stanford Business School. She and her husband reside in the Bay Area with their three children.

Ted Williams
Ted is the Managing Partner at Springbok Partners located in Larkspur California. Springbok Partners is an investment firm that provides seed capital and consulting in the financial service industry. He is on the board of Gould Investment Partners, Winston Capital, St. Louis Trust Company, and Lancaster Capital Management. Prior to Springbok Partners, he was cofounder and Chairman of AZX Inc., an electronic stock exchange.

Ted is the former Chair of the National Board of Summer Search and now serves on that Board. This is a non-profit that recruits low-income high school students and inspire them to become responsible and altruistic leaders by providing year-round mentoring and life-changing summer experiences. He is a founding board member of the BASIC Fund, which gives over 5,000 educational scholarships to low-income children wanting to attend private schools in the Bay area. He was the Vice Chair of Marin Country Day School and was a Big Brother at the San Francisco Juvenile Probation Center. Ted lives in Marin County with his wife and three children. He received a BA in Economics from Boston College.

Chris Young

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Chris heads legal at the venture-backed startup, GoFundMe (www.gofundme.com). He draws on his years of experience as a corporate attorney and public servant to help shape and carry out the strategic vision of the company. As the company’s counsel, he is primarily responsible for advising on company policy, negotiating third-party contracts, and rendering advice on a multitude of legal issues.

Chris spent most of his career between private law practice, politics and government. After law school, he worked as a litigator at the San Francisco-based law firm, Morrison Foerster. After litigating a high-profile educational inequality case, he took a leave of absence to join the 2008 Obama campaign as the Deputy Finance Director of Northern California. After the President was elected, Chris returned to his hometown Sacramento to serve as Mayor Kevin Johnson’s Senior Advisor and Counsel, before moving to DC to serve in the Obama Administration. After a short stint in both the White House and U.S. Dept. of Justice, Chris moved back to the Bay Area and joined the law firm of Keker & Van Nest. There, he served as a litigator and trial lawyer, handling a wide range of criminal, civil, and regulatory cases. After four years at KVN, Chris left to join OpenGov and served as its head of business development and counsel.

Chris received a degree in Philosophy from San Diego State University, where he graduated magna cum laude. After a spending a year as a fellow in the California State Senate, he started working on his law degree at UC Berkeley School of Law, where he graduated in 2005. He currently lives in Oakland with his wife and young son.