



Madison Country Day School Board of Trustees

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Mark Ashby, Ph.D. is presently the Principal Statistical Scientist for Genentech, Inc of South San Francisco, CA. Mark earned his Ph.D. from the University of California, Berkeley, CA, in Biostatistics. Prior to Genentech, Inc., Mark served as Associate Professor of Biostatistics at University of California, San Francisco. Since joining Genentech, he has served in positions of increasing responsibility from lead biostatistician to manager and Biostatistics Department Director. His work focuses on design and statistical analysis of clinical research studies with novel protein pharmaceuticals in the areas of oncology, pulmonology and infectious diseases. He has extensive experience collaborating with corporate partners and governmental agencies. In addition, Mark has organized and contributed lectures to graduate-level courses on statistics at University of California, Berkeley. Mark has served both as a Vice President in the San Francisco Bay Area Chapter of the American Statistical Association as well as an Advisory Board Representative for the Biometrics Society. Mark and his wife Mary Jo are MCDS parents with two young children.

Kathleen Baus, M.D. is a Clinical Associate Professor in the Department of Radiology at the University of Wisconsin-Madison and currently acts as the Secretary of the Board for MCDS. She was the 2004/2005 co-chair of the Parent Annual Fund Committee along with her husband Myron Pozniak. She currently works for UW Medical Foundation at Meriter Hospital as a Radiologist and was a Board Member on the Meriter Foundation. She is rumored to be an amazing cook, often donating to cook dinners as a donation for MCDS silent auctions which always go for some of the highest bids. Kathleen and her husband Myron are the parents of two children, Alexandra and Julian, who are currently enrolled at MCDS.

Erica Christman, M.H.A. has spent the majority of her professional life in the health care industry, having received both her undergraduate and graduate degrees from UW-Madison. She initially developed the UW Med Flight program at UW Hospital and Clinics beginning in 1984, and later as a Vice-President, she administrated a variety of departments including Emergency Services, Critical Care, Oncology, Neurology Services, and Surgical Pathology. Upon a move to St. Louis lasting 6 years, she retired from employment and entered the world of volunteerism. Happily back in Madison, she now serves on the Board of Friends of UW Hospital & Clinics and the MCDS Board, having served previously as a Room Parent and volunteer to the Annual and Capital Campaigns. She chairs the Admissions and Marketing Committee of the MCDS Board. Erica and husband, Pete, are parents of Max, an MCDS student.

Sandra Fernandez, Ed.D. holds a Doctor of Education & Masters Degree in Science from Florida International University, and a Bachelor of Education from the University of Manitoba. She has more than 11 years of experience teaching at elementary, middle, high schools and universities, with particular experience in international educational development and teacher training. She currently serves on Madison Country Day School's Board of Trustees Curriculum Committee. Additionally, she volunteers as the CAS (Creativity, Acton & Service) Coordinator for MCDS's IB program and facilitates a Middle/High School Elective called Sharing our Humanity. She is Immediate past President to the Board of Directors for the Children's Theater of Madison, has served with the Comparative and International Education Society, the National Council of Teachers of English, and with the CEL Group (Child Centered Learning). She and husband Luis have two children at MCDS.

Kimberly Hazen, M.A. holds a B.A. from University of Wisconsin-LaCrosse and an M.A. from Marquette University. She has spent much of her professional career in the areas of marketing and public relations, including the writing, production, and direction of broadcast and print advertising campaigns. She has many years of experience as a public relations consultant working with the Better Business Bureau of Wisconsin and has taught marketing, advertising, and writing classes at the university level. Her community activities have included service on the boards of Big Brothers/Big Sisters of Waukesha County, The Topeka Youth Project, The Topeka Advertising Federation and The Dane County Humane Society, in addition to her current service on the Admissions and Marketing and the Development Committees for Madison Country Day School. Kimberly has two daughters at MCDS.

Katherine Johnson-Becklin, M.S. is a graduate of the University of Wisconsin-Madison with a B.S. in Education and an M.S. in Business-Marketing and has done extensive post-graduate work in gifted education. She is certified to teach English and Speech grades 7-12. A past co-owner of Madison's largest advertising agency, Stephan and Brady, she also served as the Director of the Nielsen Center for Marketing Research at the University of Wisconsin-Madison School of Business. She was the Gifted and Talented Director for the New Glarus School District, where she identified gifted students, developed curriculum, conducted staff training, and counseled gifted students. She is an emeritus board member of the University of Wisconsin-Madison School of Business and the Journalism School. She served on The New Glarus School District Board, including as its president, and serves on Madison Country Day School's Executive and Curriculum Committees. Katherine is married and the parent of two children. Her son and daughter attend MCDS.

Eric McLeod, J.D. is an attorney with Michael Best & Friedrich, LLP. Eric was a founding member of Madison Country Day School and served as a Board Member from 1995-2000. He is once again serving as a recently elected MCDS Trustee. Eric was a *cum laude* graduate from the University of Wisconsin-Madison in 1993 and sits on the Board of the Village of Maple Bluff and The Children's Museum. He is also the president of the Sigma Alpha Epsilon Corporation. Eric is married to Jenner, and has two children, Anders and Hollis, who are currently enrolled at MCDS.

Jim McNulty, B.S. is currently a Vice President of Business Banking at Oak Bank in Fitchburg and has worked at the bank since its organization in 2000. Previous to Oak Bank, Jim held positions in finance, sales, product development and client service at financial and manufacturing companies in Dane County. He graduated with a BS in Economics from UW-Madison in 1990 and recently completed the Graduate School of Banking at UW-Madison. Jim's recent community service includes board positions with the Rosenberry Society (United Way of Dane County), the Fitchburg Chamber of Commerce (Past President) and the Consumer Credit Counseling Service. Jim was born and raised in greater Madison and currently lives in Stoughton with his wife, Kim and his two daughters, Maggie and Mary Kate. Jim is frequently running in various capacities – sometimes distances for health and sport, many times chasing the kids, often to keep up with client needs at the bank and also to make the tip-off for a Badger Basketball game.

Marmar Miar-Alton, D.D.S. is a graduate of School of Dentistry at University of Minnesota, Minneapolis/ St. Paul and has been working in the field of dentistry for the past 16 years. In addition to private practice, Marmar was a Clinical Associate Professor at University of Minnesota, School of Dentistry for 3 years before moving to Madison in 1997. During that time, she was involved in the implementation of a new mentor/ teaching program incorporating small discussion groups in the clinical experience of dental students. In 2002, Marmar started her solo, private practice on the west side of Madison which has grown into a successful and thriving business in the past 7 years. She has been involved in every aspect of this growth from initial space design to marketing, management and accounting. Currently, she is serving a two year term as Parent Guild treasurer and continues to volunteer and be involved in different social activities and fundraising at MCDS. Marmar and her husband Troy have a daughter, Arria, who attends MCDS.

Christopher Priebe, M.F.A. is a graduate of the University of Wisconsin and was a co-founder of Heurikon Corporation, a designer and manufacturer of high speed single board computers targeted for the industrial control and communication markets. Christopher sold Heurikon Corporation in 1992 to Computer Products of Boca Raton, FL. The company continues its work in the Madison area under the name of Artesyn Systems in Old Sauk Trails industrial park. Christopher is also a co-founder of Panatek Systems in Schaumburg, IL and has sat on various boards including Epic Systems, a provider of management software for the health care industry, in Madison, WI. Christopher is married to Mary, MCDS School Nurse, and the father of tenth grade student, Kelsey Priebe, who has attended Madison Country Day School for eleven years.

Theresa Pyle-Smith, B.S. is no stranger to working with Madison Country Day School's Board of Trustees. In the past, Theresa has put her strong love and passion for the school to use by serving on the Board in 2003 and 2004, chairing the 2003/2004 Annual Fund, organizing the first Parent Annual Fund Committee, and serving as Co-Chair with Eric McLeod for the MCDS Pre-Planning Committee in 2003. She holds a degree in Economics from the University of Wisconsin-Madison and is an active member of the Madison community. Theresa is married to Eric, and has two children, Catherine and Laurel, who are currently enrolled at MCDS.

William J. Raftery, C.P.A., J.D. was awarded the 2007 William R. Snodgrass Distinguished Leadership Award in recognition of his 18 years of service as Controller of the State of Wisconsin and, before that, four years as Controller for the state of Missouri. Additionally, Bill has served as a partner of KPMG, taught accounting at two institutions of higher education, and served as the president of several not-for-profit entities. Bill holds a Bachelors Degree from Loyola College of Maryland, a Juris Doctor from the University of Baltimore, and is a graduate of the U.S. Army Finance School. He served with the U.S. Army Second Infantry Division during the Korean War.