



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 Meriter Hospital in the Medical Imaging Department 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. Erica and husband, Pete, are parents of Max, an MCDS student.

Sandra Fernandez, Ed.D. holds a Doctor of Education (Ed.D.), a Masters Degree in Science and a Bachelors degree in Education. 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, with additional service on the Development and Marketing Committees. Additionally, she serves as President to the Board of Trustees for the CTM Madison Family Theatre, 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.

Peggy Hedberg, B.A. is the retired President of Lab Safety Supply, Janesville WI. She and her daughters moved to Madison in 2000 in part so the girls could attend Madison Country Day School. Peggy has a BA degree from Carthage College. She founded the Rock Prairie Montessori School in Janesville in 1994 and served for several years as Board President. Rock Prairie's current enrollment is 122 children PreK-6th grade.

James W. Hill, D.D.S. was born and raised in Madison, and attended Madison West High School. Undergraduate studies were completed at Marquette University in Milwaukee where he majored in Philosophy and Theology. Not suited for the priesthood, he went on to dental school at the University of Minnesota. Upon graduation in 1977, he established a private practice in Madison and became a consultant to the State of Wisconsin on treating children in institutionalized settings. In keeping with his dentist practice philosophy, Jim has pursued a great deal of continuing education in the area of reconstruction of complex cases with an emphasis on TMJ. He holds a Master's Degree in Administrative Medicine from the UW-Madison, a Fellowship in the Academy of General Dentistry, and is on the board of directors for Evergreen State Bank. He is also a member of the Maple Bluff Country Club, and married to Anne, a former MCDS Parent Guild President. The couple has two children.

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. In addition to being a past co-owner of Madison's largest advertising agency, Stephan and Brady, she served as the Director of the Nielsen Center for Marketing Research at the University of Wisconsin-Madison School of Business. She currently is the Gifted and Talented Director for the New Glarus School District, where she identifies gifted students, develops curriculum, conducts staff training in differentiation and critical thinking skills, and counsels gifted students. Her commitment to the community has included service on numerous boards including the University of Wisconsin-Madison School of Business and the Journalism School, of which she is currently an emeritus member of each. She served on The New Glarus School District Board, including as its president, and serves on Madison Country Day School's Curriculum Committee. Katherine is married and the parent of two children. Her son attends Madison Country Day School.

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 three children currently enrolled at MCDS, Jenner, Anders and Hollis.

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.

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 ten 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 young 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.