2018 Board Candidates

REGIONAL SEAT

Anna Cross, Executive Director, Metrowest Nonprofit Network (Metrowest)

Anna Carollo Cross Ed.D, has spent her career at the intersection of the public service and nonprofit sectors. Before retiring in 2014, she spent 23 years with the Framingham Public Schools, most recently as the Director of Family and Community Engagement. Cross currently serves as the Executive Director of the MetroWest Nonprofit Network, and as a consultant to the New England School Development Council. Cross also serves as a Trustee and Clerk of the Board of the MetroWest Health Foundation and as board member of Improbable Players a nonprofit which uses theater performances & workshops to address addiction, alcoholism, and the opioid epidemic. She holds both a B.A. in Sociology and Biology and an M.S. in Counseling Psychology from the University of Albany, and an Ed.D. in Educational Leadership from Boston College. She is a resident of Framingham.



SUBSECTOR SEATS

Matt Wilson, Executive Director, MASSCreative (Arts & Culture)*



Matt Wilson is the Executive Director of MASSCreative, the statewide advocacy voice for Massachusetts' arts and creative community. Since its founding in 2012, MASSCreative has grown to more than 400 organizational members with 30,000 individuals taking part in public education and advocacy actions. Since 2013, MASSCreative's campaigns have helped increase investment into the Commonwealth's arts and cultural community by 50%. Its advocacy work with the Arts for All Coalition help implement state policies to increase access and participation to quality arts education. MASSCreative has coordinated more than 35 nonpartisan electoral campaigns to help inject the issues of arts and creativity into the Commonwealth's mayoral, gubernatorial, and state legislative races.

Prior to MASSCreative, Wilson led campaigns for a cleaner environment, affordable and accessible health care, to fight corporate power, and to elect progressive government leaders. Wilson graduated from Dartmouth College and earned an MPA at the Harvard Kennedy School of Government.

Alex McCray, Senior Director of Programs, Associated Grant Makers (Philanthropy)



With a career in the nonprofit sector that spans 20 years Alex McCray currently serves as Senior Director of Programs for Associated Grant Makers (AGM), a membership-based philanthropy-serving organization. Prior to joining AGM, McCray served in a Resource Development capacity at both the United Way of Greater Plymouth County and the United Way of Rhode Island. For nearly two years he was a Senior Associate at Nonprofit Finance Fund (NFF), helping to strengthen nonprofits and enabling leaders to make sound strategic decisions. In addition to fundraising and consulting, McCray

^{*}Candidate for re-election

has held program management and marketing roles within arts-focused, youth and workforce development nonprofits. He gained a grantmaker's perspective in his 4-year stint at the Rhode Island Foundation, where he continues to serve on the Advisory Council. McCray received his M.S. Nonprofit Management from Northeastern University's College of Professional Studies in 2012, where he currently teaches a graduate-level leadership class, and received his B.A. in Economics from Bowdoin College.

Yi-Chin Chen, Executive Director, Friends of the Children - Boston (Youth & Education)

Yi-Chin Chen serves as the Executive Director of Friends of the Children-Boston, an organization dedicated to providing youth facing the highest risks with 12 and a half years of relentless support from kindergarten through high school graduation, no matter what. She is responsible for setting the strategic directions of the organization and managing the day-to-day operations. Chen previously served as the Interim Executive Director and Deputy Director of Hyde Square Task Force where she played key leadership roles during her 12-year tenure. She is responsible for the creation of several nationally-recognized programs.

Chen received a master's degree in Social Work from Boston University with a major in Macro Practice. She is also a graduate of the Institute of Nonprofit Practice in 2009. Chen has served on several city and statewide committees, advisory boards, and board of directors, including Hyde Jackson Square Main Street, Boston Children's Hospital's Community Advisory Board, and Boston



University School of Social Work Alumni Board. In 2011, she received the prestigious Hubie Jones Urban Service Award from BUSSW for her outstanding leadership empowering youth and families. In 2018, Chen was selected as a member of the inaugural class of the Strong Leaders Program by the Lewis Family Foundation.

AT-LARGE SEATS

Stephanie Guidry, Program Officer, The Boston Foundation

Stephanie Guidry is Program Officer for Nonprofit Effectiveness at the Boston Foundation, where she manages the Open Door Grants program, a \$2 million responsive, community grant making program that supports existing needs and tests new innovations that address the most critical challenges and opportunities facing Greater Boston. In addition to grantmaking, Guidry creates and implements capacity-building programming for the Foundation's grantees and the Greater Boston nonprofit sector.

Guidry's career includes experience working within local, statewide and international nonprofits, where she has held a variety of roles spanning program development and delivery, fundraising, communications, operations, and board engagement. She holds a Master of Public Administration from the Maxwell School at Syracuse University, where she was a Vernon Snow Fellow in Nonprofit Management, and undergraduate degrees with honors in

communications and child development from the University of Texas at Austin.



Elizabeth S. Reinhardt, Attorney, Law Offices of Elizabeth S. Reinhardt



Throughout her career, Liz Reinhardt has worked with nonprofit organizations, including nonprofit corporations, charitable trusts, and religious organizations, as a lawyer, regulator, advocate, consultant, educator and board member. She maintains a law office in Concord, Massachusetts, serving the legal needs of nonprofit clients. Practice areas include 501(c) start-up services, regulatory, corporate, contract, employment, merger, affiliation, deviation, *cy pres*, and dissolution matters. Reinhardt offers clients "outsourced" in-house counsel services and frequently consults in areas including the roles and responsibilities of board members, governance best practices, conflict of interest avoidance, executive compensation, fundraising, and regulatory compliance.

A graduate of Colby College and the Northeastern University School of Law, for eight years she served as an Assistant Attorney General in the Massachusetts Attorney General's Division of Public Charities. Reinhardt is a frequent public speaker and the author of *Payments in Lieu of Taxes (PILOTS): A Battleground for Cities and Nonprofits*, Nonprofit Law (MCLE, Inc. 2011); *Getting Going Getting Organized: Threshold Considerations and a Road Map for Start-Up Nonprofits*, Chapter 1, MCLE Nonprofit Law Conference 2001 (2001-04.06-CM) and co-authored "Guide for Board Members, Regulators and Advocates" (2000) Kellogg Foundation Healthcare Conversions Information Project. Past and present professional and community affiliations include the Attorney General's Division of Public Charities Advisory Committee; Crossroads Community Foundation, Board of Advisors; President, Acton Boxborough United Way; Coach, Massachusetts Bar Association Mock Trial program; Instructor, Director Business School; Boston Bar Association, Exempt Organization Steering Committee.