

NCMT Board of Directors 2017-2018 Slate

(term to expire 2019)



Felicia Alford and her family have lived in New Canaan since 2011. Before moving to New Canaan, she resided in Kingwood, TX where she served on the Parent/Teacher Association for Willow Creek Elementary as Vice President. Since moving back to New Canaan, she has been active with West Elementary School as Classroom Coordinator, Performing Arts Committee Chair and volunteers her time at NCMT. Her professional experience includes 20 years as an Interior Designer both commercial and Residential as well as an Architectural Sales Representative of Interior Products. She earned her Bachelor's degree in Interior Design from Texas Tech University.



Meghan Allen received a Bachelor of Business Administration in Accountancy from the University of Notre Dame and a Masters of Business Administration in Finance from Columbia University. She spent several years as a CPA for an international accounting firm and also held controller and director of accounting positions in private industry. Meghan has volunteered her time in the New Canaan schools, New Canaan Community Foundation and National Charity League. Meghan passed along her longtime love of horses to her daughter who began riding at NCMT in 2006 until she graduated from high school in the spring of 2016. She joined the Board in 2008 and began serving as Secretary in 2009 and is currently the Treasurer. Meghan lives in New Canaan with her husband and daughter.



Matt Malone is a partner at Privcap Media, a NYC-based marketing agency for private equity firms, where he oversees digital strategy and creative. Prior to Privcap, Matt was a staff reporter at Condé Nast Portfolio, a (now-defunct) business magazine. His writing has appeared in *The New York Times*, *Fortune*, *Forbes*, *Cosmopolitan* (yes, Cosmo) and other publications. He was an investigative business journalism fellow at Columbia Business School and Columbia Journalism School, where he holds two masters degrees. He graduated from Connecticut College with a degree in economics. His daughters, Madeleine, Ellie and Cooper, are all Troopers and his wife Melissa is a board member and active equestrian. Matt appreciates horses from afar, and is proud to say he can now identify a curry comb.



Aimee Mueller has been involved at NCMT as a volunteer parent and most currently a board member since 2010. Her professional background includes working for Smithkline Beecham and Pfizer Inc. as a Toxicologist Specialist prior to becoming a Registered Nurse. She holds a BS in Biology and a BS in Nursing both degrees from Fairfield University.



Ronni Sayewitz enrolled her daughter at NCMT shortly after their family left South Carolina for Connecticut three years ago, and she has been an active volunteer ever since. Last year, she joined the board and now spends most of her time focused on The Leadership Council and The Troop Scoop newsletter. When she isn't volunteering at the barn, Ronni serves on the board of the Middlebrook Middle School PTA and the Kevin's Fund non-profit organization, and is a member of the Wilton Woman's Club. She graduated from the University of Florida (Go Gators!) with a degree in journalism in 1994, and worked as a reporter and editor in Florida and Texas before becoming a stay-at-home mom. Ronni lives in Wilton with her husband, Keith, and their two children, Jordan and Hayley.



Rob Speranza has been a part of NCMT ever since his daughter Isabella joined four years ago. He currently works in private equity for Brynwood Partners and previously for PepsiCo, where he held several senior roles in general management, marketing and sales throughout his 17-year career. He is a graduate of Miami University (Ohio) where he received his Bachelor of Science degree in business and completed his MBA at the FW Olin School of Business at Babson College. Rob and his family reside in Darien, CT.



Brenda Thickett has been involved with NCMT since her daughter, Kate, joined in 2014. She works for the Boston Consulting Group and is the director of the Social Impact Practice. Before BCG, Ms. Thickett worked with Bankers Trust, Young & Rubicam and several small businesses. Brenda holds an undergraduate degree from Tufts University, an MBA from the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania, and an MA in International Relations from the School of Advanced International Studies of Johns Hopkins University. She also serves as the Board Chair of the nonprofit Women's Business Development Council (WBDC) of Connecticut. Brenda lives in Norwalk with her family.



Elizabeth Tobin, a long-time resident of New Canaan, became President of NCMT in 2012 after serving as Treasurer and Assistant Treasurer for several years. Her family joined NCMT in 1996. Elizabeth is employed as an analyst by First Eagle Investment Management, a global money management firm. She holds an undergraduate degree from the University of Paris, France and an MBA in International Finance from Fordham University, NY.



Belinda Wasser is the founder of RocketGirl Solutions and has 25 years of experience in business workflow and logistics. Belinda's past and current work includes improving the scale and flow of internal systems, human resources administration, facilities management, IT infrastructure, and back-end office processes. She has worked with a range of high profile companies, including Digitas, EDS and The Center for Quality of Management. Belinda has also lectured on the subjects of small business growth, business technology, brand communication and development and more. Belinda has a BA from the University of Virginia. Belinda is an active volunteer for NCMT chairing its marketing and communications committee. She lives in New Canaan, CT with her daughter and NCMT Trooper, Emily, her extremely significant other, Greg, and spends her free time gardening, playing paddle tennis and learning how to cook.