

## SLATE FOR THE 2019 MNJCC BOARD OF DIRECTORS as recommended by the MNjcc Nominations Committee

### TRISH DEL SORBO | NEWTERM

Trish is a business expert in the fitness industry, having managed, owned and taught in profitable and inviting fitness clubs and pre/post-natal care facilities in Canada and Europe. From her skating performance in the closing ceremonies of the Calgary Olympics to running several premier multi-sport fitness facilities, Trish has always had a passion for physical fitness and sports.

Trish directed Toronto's Baby and Me Fitness, North America's original pre/post-natal fitness company from 2006-2012. She has been featured across many media including The Globe and Mail, National Post, Breakfast Television and in fitness books. In her volunteer life, Trish has served as a director on the South Rosedale Residents' Association (SRRA) Board, since November 2016; she has served on the committee for the Mad Hot Ballet (National Ballet of Canada) for 5 years, the Georgian Peaks Ski Club and Taddle Creek Montessori (chaired the PA for three years). Trish has been an engaged member of the MNjcc since her boys were born and she was featured on an early MNjcc banner. In addition to being a Director of the MNjcc board for 6 years, she has sat on two committees: the Stars on Spadina 2012 fundraiser and served on the Children's Programming Taskforce. For the past 3 years she has been the chair of the Programming Committee. Trish wants to create a healthier, stronger community that benefits everyone at the MNjcc.

### NATALIE FINGERHUT

Natalie is an editor in the Humanities Division at the University of Toronto Press. Prior to publishing, she worked in management consulting and in technical communications. She holds a Master's degree in History from the University of Toronto and a B.A. from Sarah Lawrence College. Natalie previously served on the Board of Directors at the MNjcc in 2008 for two terms and was co-chair of the Programming Committee. Natalie has recently become the co-chair of the Downtown Jewish Community Council and sits on the programming committee for the Tikkun Leil Shavuot. She has recently joined the JIAS Service Delivery Initiative Advisory Committee to figure out how to help at-risk newcomers. In 2017, she received a Shem Tov Award from UJA in recognition of her commitment to the Jewish Community. Her recent volunteer efforts involved producing communications materials for the First Narayever's 2015 refugee sponsorship initiative and for Lifeline Syria as well as for the First Narayever's Building Renewal project. She is the mother of two MNjcc Nursery School alumni as well as a Paul Penna DJDS parent.

### STEVEN FRIEDMAN

Steven is a self-employed accountant, servicing owner-managed businesses primarily in real estate and film production industries. Previously he held a position as a Senior VP of a property management and real estate development company. Steven obtained his Graduate Diploma in Accountancy at McGill University and subsequently CPA and CFP designations. His volunteer activities consist of long-term involvement with Toronto Jewish Free Loan where he held various positions including President, and as Treasurer of Mariposa in the Schools (MITS) and Canadian Physicians for Aid and Relief (CPAR). The Bloor Y/MNJcc has been an important part of Steven's life throughout the years, from rooftop parties, children's programs, fitness and recent involvement as a member of Finance and Audit committees.

### KAREN GOLDENBERG

Karen is currently the principal consultant at Karen Goldenberg Consultants, providing organizational development, governance and executive coaching to not-for-profit organizations. Karen is chair of Project Abraham supporting Yazidi victims of Genocide. She's also a member of Board of Project Rozana, building bridges to peace through health, between Israelis and Palestinians Previous experience includes Acting Executive Director Ve'ahavta, CEO of JVS Toronto, Senior Vice President and acting President of the Addiction Research Foundation (now CAMH); Special Advisor to the Minister of Health on Long Term Care; Executive VP Dynacare Health; and Co-founder and Executive Director of COTA Rehab Services. An avid volunteer, Karen has been in leadership roles in the United Way of Greater Toronto; Toronto District Health Council; CAOT; COTF; and a co-founder of Giant Steps, a school for children with Autism; and The New Haven School for Children, among others. Karen was appointed a Member of the Order of Canada in 2014. She is currently a member of the CIJA LPC and CJPAC and active with the Faculty of Occupational Therapy at U of T. She is a passionate member of the MNjcc where she is an active Aquafit member and participant in many cultural programs. She loves her home away from home and hopes to participate in more fitness programs.

### DENNIS HAU | NEWTERM

Dennis finds the most satisfying part of being a Corporate Development Analyst at Peerage is the breadth and depth of knowledge he is exposed to through daily interactions with his colleagues and the management teams of Peerage's partner companies. The most exciting part, he says, is the opportunity to research companies across a variety of industries and contribute to the investment decision-making process, which constantly feeds his curiosity and excitement for learning. Dennis excels at performing complex financial analysis and turning it into practical, actionable information to guide Peerage and its partners on a wide variety of business decisions. Dennis graduated from the Schulich School of Business at York University in 2012, with an Honours Bachelor of Business Administration degree specializing in Accounting and Finance and has worked at Peerage Capital and Peerage Realty since December 2016. Before joining the Peerage team, Dennis worked at Pricewaterhouse Coopers in New York and Toronto as a Senior Associate leading audits of asset management and technology clients. He has also worked at Veritas Investment Research where he was responsible for conducting market research, financial modeling, and drafting research reports. Dennis enjoys being able to juggle several projects at once, using his business acumen and work ethic to achieve results. Dennis is also a CFA charter holder and a Chartered Professional Accountant.

### BEN KATZ

Ben is a member of Goldblatt Partners labour law group. He summered and articulated with Goldblatt Partners before joining as an associate following his call to the Bar of Ontario in 2014. Ben's practice focuses on the representation of individuals and unions in all aspects of labour law with an emphasis on the construction industry. He represents clients before boards of arbitration and other administrative tribunals, including the Ontario Labour Relations Board. In addition, as a former national athlete, Ben acts in sports related disputes for both athletes and sports organizations. Ben achieved a First Class LLB from the City University of London and was the recipient of the International Scholar

Award. During law school, Ben worked at a civil litigation firm and was editor of the United Kingdom Student Law Review. Ben brings experience and passion to his representation of the interests of individuals, unions and their members. Prior to attending law school, Ben received a Masters of Industrial Relations at the University of Toronto and worked for an international trade union where he represented the union in all matters of collective bargaining, including multiple appearances before interest arbitration boards. When not in the office, Ben can be found on a basketball court attempting to maintain the three-point shot that led him to represent Canada on the national basketball team.

#### FRANK LEWINBERG

Frank was born in South Africa, trained as an architect, receiving a B. Arch from the University of the Witwatersrand (1966). He worked as an architect in Paris for Jean Prouvé and in London for Arup Associates before studying Urban Planning at MIT, where he received a MCP in 1973. Frank worked as a Planner for the City of Toronto, where he played a key role identifying and creating the Master Plan for the St. Lawrence Neighbourhood, which today is substantially complete and considered a great success. In 1986 he joined with Joe Berridge to found a new urban planning and urban design consultancy which is today known as Urban Strategies Inc. He has had extensive experience working on dozens of private developments, among them CIBC Square – a 2.8 million square foot office development adjacent to Union Station, Brookfield Place, the Rogers head office in Toronto, and the DuPont head office in Mississauga. Frank has guided a number of master planning initiatives, most recently for Bridgepoint Health, the Centre for Addiction and Mental Health, Toronto's Central Waterfront, Yorkdale and Square One for Oxford Properties. His public policy studies include Living Downtown in Toronto, Guidelines for the Reurbanization of Metro Toronto and the recently Tall Buildings Report: Initiating Change in Downtown Toronto. Frank undertook three workshops on behalf of the Canadian government in South Africa during the transitional period towards majority rule in that country. He has participated on the Boards of Theatre Passe Muraille, Artscape and Foodshare.

#### MILES S. NADAL

An international entrepreneur, businessman and philanthropist known for his innovative professional partnerships and generous community involvement, Miles Nadal's leadership style inspires the cultural values at the core of each organization he is involved with. Mr. Nadal credits his mother with being the inspiration for his strong belief that "anything is possible." He established Action Photographics at 18 years old and drove to expand it until it evolved into MDC Partners Inc., which became one of the largest marketing and communications companies in the world, with an equity value of \$1.6 billion (2015). MDC's mantra as "The Place Where Great Talent Lives" became globally recognized. Over his 37-year career, Mr. Nadal has created a total of \$6 billion in shareholder value for all of the companies he has started or led, due to his determination to partner with exceptional management teams and actively engage their mutual talents. Now as the Founder, Chairman and CEO of Peerage Capital Group, a leading North American business services organization, Mr. Nadal focuses on long-term investing in high quality assets. His growing network of partner companies employs over 1,000 people in the real estate and real estate services, asset management, financial services, aviation services, and private equity investing, with a total of \$7.5 billion in assets. Miles and his family have given keystone gifts to Miles S. Nadal Jewish Community Centre and to the Koenigsberg & Nadal Interactive Media Center at the School of Communication, University of Miami. He provided the lead gift for the Miles Nadal Heart Centre at Mt. Sinai Hospital, the Miles S. Nadal Management Centre at York University, and the Miles S. Nadal Institute for Technological Entrepreneurship at Tel Aviv University. Miles gifted funds to create the Miles and Kelly Nadal Youth Centre, a Toronto Kiwanis Boys and Girls Club facility for at-risk youth in Toronto and has also given generously to the Global Medical Relief

Fund and Operation Smile, along with contributions to scholarships, community parks, and medical research.

#### BRIAN PUKIER • PRESIDENT

Brian is a corporate lawyer and partner with the law firm Stikeman Elliott LLP, whose practice is focused on mergers & acquisitions, corporate finance and public policy work. He has extensive experience in counselling senior management and boards of directors of leading private and public companies. Early in his career, Brian worked in the Hong Kong and then Budapest offices of Stikeman Elliott. Brian and his wife Joanne are the parents of three children, ranging in age from 14-19. Brian has spent much of the last 30+ years at or near Bloor & Spadina, having attended the University of Toronto between 1985 and 1992, and with children attending the Paul Penna DJDS from 2004-2016. Two of Brian's children have been swim instructors at the MNjcc. Between 2007 and 2011, Brian was on the board of directors of PPDJDS. Brian is a frequent speaker and writer on various M&A and corporate governance topics, and is a member of the board of directors of Computershare Trust Company of Canada.

#### ZACH ROHER

Zach is a Real Estate Development Project Manager at Peloton Developments. He oversees and directs on-site construction while also assisting in the financial analysis and underwriting of acquisitions for future development. In 2014, he graduated with a Bachelor of Commerce in Real Estate and Housing (Co-op) from the University of Guelph. Joining in 2006 while attending Forest Hill Collegiate, he is proud to be a third generation member of the MNjcc. As a volunteer, Zach is actively involved in the AEPi Toronto Alumni Club and the Young Professionals at Holy Blossom. He has also been working with the MNjcc gym to improve the engagement and programming for young professionals.

#### WENDY ROTENBERG | NEW TERM

Wendy is a Professor of Finance and Accounting at the Rotman School of Management, University of Toronto where she received both her MBA and her Phd. She has been on Faculty since 1990. Her teaching and research interests include Financial Management, Corporate Restructuring, and International Accounting and Finance. Her various administrative roles include serving for 12 years as Academic Director of the large Rotman Commerce Programme. Wendy has served as Chair of the MNJCC Audit Committee. Wendy enjoys the Fitness Centre, especially the salt water pool, and is pleased to be an involved member of the MNJCC community.

#### JODI SHANOFF • IMMEDIATE PAST PRESIDENT

Jodi is Vice President of Consultation & Engagement with the Environics Research Group. She has also served as Senior Policy Advisor with the LCBO and to the Minister of Government Services, Queen's Park. She has a Master of Arts, (Political Science) from the University of Toronto, and an Honours Bachelor of Arts, Political Science (Canadian Studies) from the University of Ottawa. Her relationship with the MNjcc began as a student of DJCS Sunday classes in the early '80s. After a lengthy hiatus from the building, she re-joined as a fitness member in 2000. Jodi has been a Member of the Board of Directors since 2002, joining the Board Executive Committee in 2004 and later becoming President of the Board in 2015. She is passionate about public participation and membership engagement. She and her family are regulars at the MNjcc Fitness facility and she has learned many life lessons and made wonderful friends through her regular early morning attendance in the MNjcc women's locker room.



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