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Girl Scouts of NYPENN Pathways Elects Board Members for 2024-25

Syracuse, N.Y. (June 10, 2024) — The <u>Girl Scouts of NYPENN Pathways</u> (GSNYPENN) Council is pleased to formally announce appointments to its Board of Directors for 2024-25. GSNYPENN is a regional council chartered by Girl Scouts of the USA to deliver the Girl Scout Leadership Experience across 24 counties in New York and two in northern Pennsylvania. It is an independent 501(c)(3) membership organization with adult volunteers, caregivers/families, Girl Scouts and alums actively engaged in strategic policy direction.

Governance structures are part of every Girl Scout council and are defined by council bylaws. GSNYPENN's governing body is its Board of Directors. Under the leadership of the chair, the board maintains the integrity and purposes of Girl Scouting within the council's jurisdiction. The board's responsibilities include influence policy regarding council goals, issues affecting youth members, issues affecting the business of the organization, strategic planning, financial oversight, and fund development.

The GSNYPENN Board consists of lifelong Girl Scouts, community leaders, nonprofit/corporate executives and board veterans. Some bring a wealth of Girl Scout knowledge, while others bring expertise and experience in education, strategic thinking, communications and marketing, technology, governance, finance and decision-making.

Are you interested in sharing your talents on the GSNYPENN Board? Complete the form at gsnypenn.org/board or reach out to Executive Assistant Kim O'Brien at kobrien@gsnypenn.org.

Girl Scouts of NYPENN Pathways Board of Directors 2024-25

Officers

Board Chair: Tiffany Alvarez Smith, Ed.D., of Liverpool, N.Y. (Onondaga County) Director of Admissions & Enrollment Management, Syracuse EOC, SUNY Morrisville

1st Vice Chair: Kathy Burke Barry of Syracuse, N.Y. (Onondaga County)Certified Public Accountant, Dermody, Burke & Brown CPAs LLC

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2nd Vice Chair: Katie MacIntyre of Auburn, N.Y. (Cayuga County)

Marketing Technology Manager, National Grid

Treasurer: Paloma Sarkar of Oswego, N.Y. (Oswego County)

First Vice President, Enterprise Risk Management & Strategic Planning, Pathfinder Bank

Secretary: Judy Suddaby of Syracuse, N.Y. (Onondaga County)

Principal Law Clerk, New York State Court of Claims

Members-at-Large

Debbie Calkins of Mansfield, Pa. (Tioga County)

Retired, Former Owner & Operator of Debbie's Daycare

Tiffany Campau, Ed.D., of Syracuse, N.Y. (Onondaga County)

Coach Impact Lead, The Achievement Network

Judi Dixon of Memphis, N.Y. (Cayuga County)

Owner, Strategic Business Management

Danushi Fernando of Syracuse, N.Y. (Onondaga County)

Chief Diversity Officer, Affirmative Action Officer & Deputy Title IX Coordinator, SUNY College of Environmental Science & Forestry

Tamara Harris of Liverpool. N.Y. (Onondaga County)

Implementation Project Manager, Paycor

Luana Lovenguth of Skaneateles, N.Y. (Onondaga County)

Chief Social Enterprise Officer, Rescue Mission Alliance of Syracuse

Karen Perwitz of Fulton, N.Y. (Oswego County)

Administrative Coordinator, Operation Oswego County Inc.

Morgan Prince of Syracuse, N.Y. (Onondaga County)

Regional Sales Manager, Kudelski Security

Karen Roth of Stittville, N.Y. (Oneida County)

Deputy Director, Air Force Research Laboratory AFWERX

Mike Sabo of Endicott, N.Y. (Broome County)

Retired, IBM

Sheri Seguin of Ogdensburg, N.Y. (St. Lawrence County)

Peer Support Specialist, Citizen Advocates Inc.

Michelle McCabe-Szczepanski of Binghamton, N.Y. (Broome County)

Associate Attorney, Levene, Gouldin & Thompson LLP

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Vanessa Teamoh of Watertown, N.Y. (Jefferson County)

SPOA Coordinator, Children's Home of Jefferson County

Natalie Thompson of Oneonta, N.Y. (Otsego County)

Full-Time Student, Crane School of Music, SUNY Potsdam

GSNYPENN serves Girl Scouts in grades K-12 across 26 counties: Allegany, Broome, Cayuga, Chemung, Chenango, Cortland, Delaware, Herkimer, Jefferson, Lewis, Madison, Oneida, Onondaga, Ontario, Oswego, Otsego, St. Lawrence, Schuyler, Seneca, Steuben, Tioga, Tompkins, Wayne and Yates in New York and Bradford and Tioga in Pennsylvania. Annual membership is just \$25; financial assistance is available. To start your Girl Scouts adventure, visit gsnypenn.org/join. To become an adult volunteer, learn more at gsnypenn.org/volunteer. To help make Girl Scouting possible in your community, visit gsnypenn.org/donate.

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About Girl Scouts of NYPENN Pathways, Inc.

Girl Scouts is the preeminent leadership development organization for girls in grades K-12. Our extraordinary journey began in 1912 when our Movement was founded by Juliette Gordon "Daisy" Low. Today, we continue the Girl Scout mission of building girls of courage, confidence, and character, who make the world a better place. We offer every girl the chance to practice a lifetime of leadership, adventure and success. GSNYPENN is chartered by Girl Scouts of the USA to administer the Girl Scout program in 24 counties of New York and two in Pennsylvania. Learn more at gsnypenn.org.