

**Steve Halsted**  
**Board President**

Mr. Halsted is a co-founder and managing director of Centennial Ventures, a private venture capital firm formed in 1981. He has a long-standing successful career in investment banking. Mr. Halsted also served as a combat engineer platoon leader and battalion assistant operations officer in the U.S. Army in Vietnam. He has a B.S. from Worcester Polytechnical Institute, an M.B.A. from the Amos Tuck School of Dartmouth College, and he attended the University of Connecticut School of Law.

**David Ethan Greenberg**  
**Founder & Past Board President**

David Ethan Greenberg currently serves as Vice Chancellor - Institutional Partnerships at the University of Denver. Mr. Greenberg has served as a member of the Colorado Commission on Higher Education; been President of the Board of the Children's Museum of Denver; and was a Trustee of Clayton Early Learning. For his work in improving public education, he received the 2014 Bonfils-Stanton Foundation award for Community Service. David was co-founder and managing partner of GBSM, a public policy and crisis communications consultancy headquartered in Denver. A graduate of Columbia University and the Harvard Law School, he was legal advisor and speechwriter to Colorado Governor Richard Lamm and has served as a White House Fellow.

**Teresa Berryman**  
**Vice Chair, Board Treasurer & Finance Committee Chair**

Ms. Berryman has 30 years experience in higher education administration. Most recently serving as the Vice Chancellor for Finance and Administration for the University of Colorado Denver, she managed an annual budget of more than \$1 billion and oversaw Finance, Information Technology, Facilities, and Human Resources. Ms. Berryman played an integral role in strategic planning and development of the University's Anschutz Medical Campus by developing and implementing a \$1.3 billion financing plan. Ms. Berryman was responsible for completing the administrative consolidation of the University of Colorado at Denver with the University of Colorado Health Sciences Center. She is a CPA and a life-long resident of Colorado.

**Alex Hernandez**  
**Director**

Alex Hernandez is a Partner at the Charter School Growth Fund, a venture philanthropy that invests in the growth of high-performing, charter school networks. He leads CSGF's "next generation" school investments where he helps education entrepreneurs create more personalized learning experiences. Alex contributed to [The Rise of K12 Blended Learning](#) and frequently speaks and writes about education innovation.

Alex is a former Area Superintendent at Aspire Public Schools, a leading K-12 charter school network, where he managed schools in the California Central Valley region. He taught high school math in South Los Angeles and later served as a Broad Fellow at Portland Public Schools. Before that, Alex worked for several years with JP Morgan and Disney's venture capital arm, Steamboat Ventures. He is a graduate of Claremont McKenna, has an MBA and Masters of Education from Stanford University, and is a Pahara-Aspen fellow for leaders dedicated to transforming public education. He is a board member of DSST Public Schools, 4pt0 Schools, Great Hearts America and Rocketship Education. Alex lives near Boulder, Colorado with his wife Michelle and twin sons. twitter: [thinkschools](#) | tumblr: [thinkschools](#)

**Dan Wilkerson**  
**Director**

Dan Wilkerson is a Denver attorney with a long career in higher education law. He worked for the University of Colorado for over 23 years in various legal positions including serving as the Vice President and University Counsel from 2007 to 2012. Since 2012, Mr. Wilkerson has worked as a consultant with a number of higher education related organizations.

**Deborah McGriff**  
**Director**

Ms. McGriff leads the Academic Systems Initiative at NewSchools Venture Fund. She has been committed to transforming the lives of underserved urban school students for almost four decades. Deborah was the first public school superintendent to join EdisonLearning in 1993 and previously served as the first female General Superintendent of Detroit Public Schools. Deborah currently serves on the board of the National Alliance for Public Charter Schools, where she also is an executive committee member, as well as founder and national board member of the Black Alliance for Educational Options. She holds a bachelor's degree in education from Norfolk State University, a master's degree in education with a specialization in reading pedagogy from Queens College of the City University of New York, and a doctorate in Administration, Policy and Urban Education from Fordham University.

**Don Kirkpatrick****Director & Information Technology Committee Co-Chair**

Mr. Kirkpatrick is a founder and Chairman of Cadre Technologies, a logistics automation software company, a founder and director of Distribution Service Technologies, a provider of e-commerce software solutions to the automotive industry, and a director of Phase IV Engineering, a pioneer in energy harvesting wireless sensing technology. His past experience includes management and direction of a number of early stage technology companies, executive engagements with Hewlett-Packard and Corporate Express, and serving as a member of two Colorado independent school boards. He is an engineering graduate of Princeton University, Chairman of the Colorado Princeton Alumni Schools Committee, and a member of the University of Colorado Astrophysical and Planetary Sciences Advisory Council.

**Heather Lamm****Director & Nominating/Governance Committee Co-Chair**

Ms. Lamm is a Partner at Perform Consulting Group, a professional services firm focused on digital media. Headquartered in Denver, PCG connects emerging business opportunities with traditional media companies to help them execute in local markets. Prior to becoming a Partner with PCG Heather was an Executive Vice President at MediaNews Group, the fourth largest newspaper company in the U.S. From 1999-2004 Heather was Chair of the Board of Directors at Third Millennium, a non-profit, non-partisan advocacy and education organization. Ms. Lamm holds an MBA in entrepreneurship and organizational behavior from the Kellogg School of Management at Northwestern University and a B.A. in political science from Brown University.

**Dwight Jones****Director**

From Washington, D.C., to Washington State, Dwight Jones is a game changer, known for his common sense approach to education reform and his unwavering passion for raising student achievement.

A nationally recognized consultant and speaker, Jones has held virtually every position in K12 public education, from student and teacher to principal and superintendent – most recently overseeing the nation's fifth largest school district – Clark County School District in Las Vegas, Nevada. During his tenure there, he initiated a school reform agenda designed to raise the academic bar and ensure that all of the district's 310,000 students were "ready by exit" for the military, a career, or postsecondary education.

Just prior to his time in Nevada, Jones was the Colorado Commissioner of Education, where he bridged numerous divides to unite the state department of education and school district administrators, and where he worked with the legislature to implement landmark reforms to move public education forward – including the revision of content standards and an appropriate state assessment; a student identifier to track individual student academic progress; a statewide educator evaluation system to hold educators accountable for their students' academic growth; and an online growth model to depict how well each school performs.

While superintendent of the Fountain-Fort Carson School District (Colorado), Jones' work to raise student achievement led to minority students actually out-performing their non-minority peers. As an operational vice president of EdisonLearning Inc., after opening three reconstituted, 100-percent minority schools in Baltimore, Jones was recognized by the state of Maryland for realizing the highest student achievement growth in the city. His work as an elementary, middle- and high-school principal, and as assistant superintendent in Wichita Public Schools yielded similar results.

Jones is a commissioner for the 21st Century Commission on the Future of Community Colleges and the Education Commission of the States, and an advisory committee member of the Education Research and Development Institute. He serves on national and local boards for a number of organizations including WestEd, Education Sector, the International Association for K-12 Online Learning, and the Center for Research on Education Outcomes, and has addressed state legislatures and advised numerous governors, as well as U.S. Department of Education administrators, on student achievement and other education matters.

A father of three, he and his wife, Jenifer, reside in Denver, Colorado.

**Gloria Zamora****Director**

Gloria Zamora, President & CEO, founded Success Innovators, Inc., to coach forward-thinking executives and emerging leaders to achieve unprecedented success through the practice of Leadership by Design. Her focus is to align senior leaders around the strategic roadmap needed to realize their vision and to achieve uncommon results. Gloria has led Human Resources for Fortune 100 companies and a privately held firm, including BNSF Railway, Coors Brewing Company, Whirlpool Corporation, and MasterCraft Industries. As General Director of Sales at Whirlpool Corporation, she directed appliance sales into the diverse markets of Latin America. Gloria graduated with distinction and Phi Beta Kappa from George Washington University, and completed an Executive Management Program at the Fuqua School of Business at Duke University. She serves on the board of Open World Learning, the Women's Leadership Foundation, and is a member of the Association of Corporate Growth.

**Jacquelyn F. Sullivan****Director**

Dr. Sullivan is founding co-director of the Integrated Teaching and Learning Program and the General Engineering Plus degree program at the University of Colorado Boulder's College of Engineering and Applied Science, and continues to direct those programs. She received her PhD in environmental health physics and toxicology from Purdue University and held leadership positions in the energy and software industries for 13 years. She founded and leads CU's extensive K-12 engineering initiative and spearheaded the Engineering GoldShirt Program for high potential, next tier students. Sullivan led the founding of the ASEE K-12 Division in 2004, was awarded ASEE's 2005 Lifetime Achievement Award, was conferred as an ASEE Fellow in 2011 and was awarded NAE's 2008 Gordon Prize for Innovation in Engineering and Technology Education. She has served on several National Science Foundation and National Academy of Engineering advisory boards. Dr. Sullivan is a founding board member for DSST, and currently is launching a CU Teach Engineering initiative targeted at producing 20-30 secondary science or math teachers annually, all with design-based engineering degrees.

**Justin Jaschke****Director**

Justin L. Jaschke founded Verio Inc. in 1996 and served as its CEO and a Director until 2004. Verio, a leading global Internet services and web hosting provider, was acquired by NTT Communications in September 2000 in a \$6 billion cash transaction. Prior to forming Verio, Mr. Jaschke served as COO for Nextel Communications following its merger with OneComm Corporation in 1995. Mr. Jaschke served as OneComm's President and a member of its Board of Directors from 1993 until the merger with Nextel. From 2008 to 2013 Mr. Jaschke served as Chairman of the Board of Directors, and is currently a Director, of Drivecam, Inc., the leading provider of driver risk management services for trucking fleets. Drivecam uses its proprietary video event based managed system to reduce claims costs and save lives by improving the way people drive. Mr. Jaschke also serves on the Board of Directors of Extenet Systems, Inc. Extenet designs, builds and operates wireless network infrastructure, primarily Distributed Antenna Systems, for wireless network system providers. From 1996 until its sale to AT&T in 2007, Mr. Jaschke served on the board of Dobson Communications, a rural cellular and local exchange provider. Mr. Jaschke has also served on the Board of PhoneFactor, acquired by Microsoft in 2011, and Genea Energy, a building energy optimization services provider. Mr. Jaschke is a Trustee Emeritus of his Alma matter, the University of Puget Sound where he served on the Board of Trustees from 2001 to 2010. Mr. Jaschke previously served as President and CEO of Bay Area Cellular Telephone Company, Vice President of Corporate Development of PacTel Cellular, Director of Mergers and Acquisitions for PacTel Corporation and a management consultant with Marakon Associates. Mr. Jaschke received a Bachelor of Science degree summa cum laude in mathematics from the University of Puget Sound and a Master of Science degree in management from the Sloan School of Management at MIT.

**Keith J. Evans****Director**

Keith J. Evans is vice president of Marketing, Sales and Business Development for Kaiser Permanente Colorado. Before joining Kaiser Permanente, Keith operated his own consulting practice in southern California helping insurers and businesses navigate health care reform. Prior to that, he served as vice president and general manager of WellPoint's Individual Western Region. He spent the early part of his career at Arthur Andersen and General Motors. For 10 years, he was a leader with ARAMARK Uniform Services, eventually becoming its Managing Director, Business Planning and Development. Keith has spent much of his career focused on improving health services to uninsured and underinsured populations. His dedication to furthering professional diversity has been highlighted by a variety of business publications, including Diversity Edge magazine which named him 2008 Top Diversity Champion. Keith graduated with honors from St. Joseph's University in Philadelphia, PA with a bachelor's degree in Accounting. He earned his master's degree with honors, with concentrations in finance and marketing, from Columbia Business School in New York, NY. Keith relocated from Moorpark, California to Lone Tree, Colorado with his wife, Zeynep, a former Turkish National swimmer and volleyball player, and their two daughters, Jasmine and Melissa. As the family adjusts to the state's mile-high elevation, snowy winters, and courteous drivers, Keith plans to seek opportunities to provide leadership and involvement in local schools and youth athletic programs.

**Matthew Schnittman****Director & Advancement Committee Co-Chair**

Mr. Schnittman is President and CEO of Datamark, a market leader in marketing services, competency based education and retention services for higher education. Mr. Schnittman brings Datamark a wealth of experience in working with leaders of large academic institutions to build and grow successful programs that meet the unique needs of today's students. Prior to Datamark, Mr. Schnittman was President and CEO of TopSchool, a SaaS based Student Lifecycle Management System. From 1999 to 2008, Matthew was with eCollege, a leading provider of on-demand eLearning solutions to the education industry. At eCollege, Mr. Schnittman played an instrumental role in the company's evolution from a start-up to a publically-traded leader in online education, including his role as president from August 2004 until his departure. Mr. Schnittman has written at length on the importance of data and accountability in education and has been a featured speaker at variety of industry events. Early on in his career, Mr. Schnittman was with CCD LLP and PricewaterhouseCoopers' management consulting strategy group. He is a graduate of the University of Arizona, and holds an MBA from The Kellogg School at Northwestern University.

**Michele Cooper****Director & Information Technology Committee Co-Chair**

Michele Cooper has been an independent technology consultant since 1993, specializing in the application and integration of emerging technologies for small businesses and independent schools. In addition, she has 20 years of corporate experience where her roles have included heading information services business strategy and operations for a startup multimedia tools company; business and technology strategy and planning for large telecommunications companies; as well as software development. Ms. Cooper has been active in promoting emerging technologies in the African-American community. She has a B.S. in Electrical Engineering from Purdue University and an M.S. in Electrical Engineering and Computer Science from the University of California at Berkeley.

**Norwood L. Robb****Audit Committee Chair**

Mr. Robb is past President of the Board and brings extensive board and corporate experience to DSST. Mr. Robb served on the University of Colorado Board of Regents representing the 6th Congressional District for 18 years and is now Regent Emeritus. His corporate background includes working for Martin Marietta and the Boeing Company in addition to several private ventures.

**Peter Fritzinger****Director**

Peter has served as CFO for a series of rapidly growing public and private for profit companies, as a director of Colorado Academy (an independent pre-K to 12 school) and most recently he was CFO for the Denver School of Science and Technology from February, 2012 to June, 2013. Prior to that he was CFO of Market Force Information, a market research company where was responsible for the financial, acquisition integration, human resources, and administrative functions. Prior to Market Force, Peter was the CFO for Verio, Inc. (high speed internet access and web hosting for businesses), Louis Dreyfus Natural Gas Corp. (price hedged natural gas acquisition, development and production) and VP-Finance for Louis Dreyfus Energy Corp. (global commodities merchandizing). Peter began his career in banking with 11 years at JP Morgan as a commercial and investment banker. He received his Bachelor of Arts Degree in Mathematics and Psychology from Amherst College in 1980. Peter and his wife, Gail, have three children – Jack (22), Bailey (20) and Carrie (18).

**Sean VanBerschoot****Director**

Mr. VanBerschoot received his Bachelor's degree in History from the University of Illinois and an M.A. in teaching from Western New Mexico University. As Executive Director of Teach for America Denver in 2007, he oversaw an increase in revenue of 90% to \$1.3M, increase in corps size by 150% to 125 and full retention of the founding staff. During the three years he was Executive Director of Teach for America New Mexico, the region became one of the top performing regions in student achievement. Mr. VanBerschoot also led the increase of its regional funding base by 217%. He was part of the 2001 Teach for America charter corps in New Mexico, teaching 3rd, 5th and 6th grade social studies. He was instrumental in students achieving a 34% increase on the New Mexico state exam.

**Steve McConahey****Director & Nominating/Governance Committee Co-Chair**

Steve McConahey is the chairman of SGM Capital, a firm focused on private equity investments and management advisory services. His previous experience includes President and COO of EVEREN Securities and EVEREN Capital, SVP for corporate and international development for Kemper Corporation and Kemper Financial Services, and Chairman and CEO of Boettcher and Company. Mr. McConahey was also previously with the consulting firm of McKinsey and Company in Washington D.C. In 1972, he received a White House Fellowship and worked during that time with Cabinet Secretaries Elliot Richardson and Caspar Weinberger. After his fellowship, Steve became a program administrator in the Urban Mass Transit Administration and in 1976 joined the White House staff becoming President Ford's Special Assistant for Intergovernmental Affairs. A native of Wisconsin, Steve received a BS degree from the University of Wisconsin, an MBA from Harvard Business School, and served as a White House Fellow in 1972. Steve is currently a member of the board of directors of, CalDak International, the Gerald R. Ford Presidential Foundation, the Colorado Venture Capital Authority, the Boys and Girls Clubs of Metro Denver and the Metro Denver Sports Commission.

**Tanya Kelly-Bowry****Director & Advancement Committee Co-Chair**

Ms. Kelly-Bowry has a rare legislative background. Her career began as a staffer in the Colorado State Senate where she was the policy analyst and press secretary for 15 Senators. She has over 20 years of experience working with the Colorado General Assembly and during the same period, ten years experience advocating in Washington, D.C. Ms. Kelly-Bowry has a presence at the Capitol few people possess. Ms. Kelly-Bowry has lobbied under Republican and Democratic administrations. She has been a key advisor to both the current Governor of Colorado, John Hickenlooper and past Governor Bill Ritter. Ms. Kelly-Bowry has represented her clients through ample budget years as well as the worst budget years in Colorado's history. She is known and respected at the state and federal level by both legislators and lobbyists.

Ms. Kelly-Bowry is owner of Policy Matters and also serves as vice president of government relations at the University of Colorado. CU President Bruce D. Benson chose her to lead the university's efforts to increase funding at the state and federal levels, and the CU Board of Regents confirmed her appointment on October 7, 2008. Her position builds on the 10 years she has served at the university. Kelly-Bowry previously served as the associate vice president of state and federal relations for the CU system.

Ms. Kelly-Bowry earned her bachelor's degrees in international affairs and political science at CU Boulder and a master's degree in nonprofit management from Regis University, as a Colorado Trust Fellow. Ms. Kelly-Bowry also studied at Harvard University's John F. Kennedy School of Government as a member of the senior executives in state and local government.

Ms. Kelly-Bowry is a Latina woman who grew up in the San Luis Valley. She and her husband Chris have two children, Skylar and Jayden, ages 4 and 2.