#### **BIOS FOR 2017-2018 BAC MEMBER**

## **Ainsley M Stapleton**

Ainsley is an audit manager for Frank & Company, PC—a local CPA firm in McLean, VA—where she started working after graduation from The George Washington University in 1999. She conducts audits primarily for non-profits, government contractors and real estate developers. She is the treasurer for both Crystal City Children's Center, a parent cooperative daycare in Crystal City, and for the Arlington Youth Lacrosse Board. Prior to joining the Budget Advisory Committee, Ainsley was a Glebewood representative to the resident forum for the Community Facilities Study. Ainsley grew up outside of Philadelphia, PA, moved to DC to attend GWU and never looked back. Ainsley has three children at Glebe Elementary (Kindergarten, 3rd and 5th grades). In her spare time, Ainsley helps coach her kids' lacrosse teams, attempts to play squash, attends professional and minor league sports games whenever possible and spends time with her family, friends and amazing neighbors.

### **Bob Ramsey**

Bob works for the Department of Defense, writing and implementing policy and legislation that affects how the Department acquires Information Systems. Bob already retired from the Air Force in 2007 after a 27-year career in acquisition and is now getting anxious to retire from his DoD civilian career. Bob is also managing a nascent winery and vineyard in Nelson County near Wintergreen Resort. Most weekends are consumed with this third career. The winery is named "Caihailian" after his three kids—see below. Bob is commencing his third year on the Budget Advisory Council. He previously served six years (the last two as co-chair) on the Gifted Services Advisory Committee of the Academic Advisory Council. He also served for six years on the Executive Committee (as Secretary) for Habitat for Humanity of Northern Virginia. At HFHNV, Bob devised a new formula to modify how properties vest to the homeowner during times of rapidly rising home values.

Bob holds a BS Mechanical Engineering from University of Maryland; an MBA from University of West Florida; a JD from American University; and a Master of National Resource Strategy from the Industrial College of the Armed Forces. Bob is married to Anne, a Navy contractor working at the Carderock research lab. They have three children who are all stellar products of the APS. Cailin graduated cum laude (2017) one year early from Christopher Newport University with a BS in marketing. Hailey is a Junior at the College of William and Mary studying neuroscience and intending to continue elsewhere for a PhD. Iain is an amazingly smart Junior at Washington Lee HS in the International Baccalaureate program (as were his sisters) and he spends 20 hours each week on competitive gymnastics. He is currently targeting a degree in aerospace engineering from the University of Virginia.

# Cecilia Ciepiela-Kaelin

Cecilia is an Economic Development Specialist and Urban Planner, who owns her own small business, AISDevelopment (<a href="www.ais-development.com">www.ais-development.com</a>), designing, planning and managing international development programs in over 50 countries around the world, working toward equitable and sustainable socio-economic change. Among her various roles, Cecilia has advised the Panamanian opposition to Noriega; designed a \$30m White-House mandated reconciliation program in Bosnia; negotiated partnerships with Russian regional governments; designed and implemented USAID's first SMS-based market information systems; served as Senior Economic Advisor for USAID/Iraq and USAID/Yemen; and was Vice President at AECOM, a Fortune 500 company. She is currently advising the Hopi Tribe on economic development and water conservation. Over the past 2-3 years, she has been working in education in the context of peacebuilding and youth crime and violence prevention in Colombia, in Honduras, Guatemala and the Caribbean.

This is Cecilia's second year as a member of the BAC, and the first serving as Vice Chair. She has served as an Election Officer in Arlington County and as a volunteer member of the evaluation committee for

IREX's Community Solutions Grant program. Cecilia is a member of the Society for International Development and the American Planning Association. She has lived and owned property in Arlington since 1999, and is married with a daughter in 8<sup>th</sup> grade a Gunston Middle School who play trumpert in the Jazz Band. Cecilia holds a Masters in International Affairs from Columbia University's School of International and Public Affairs (SIPA); a Bachelor's degree in History from Williams College; and recently completed a Masters in Sustainable Urban Planning at George Washington University (2016). She grew up in the Philippines and Panama, and speaks fluent Spanish. Cecilia is an NCAA All-American swimmer.

### Dan Rosman

Dan has worked for the past 13 years in capital markets roles for E\*Trade Bank and National Cooperative Bank. His roles have included fixed income and derivative trading, financial planning and analysis, accounting, portfolio management and process automation. Dan is in his fifth year on the BAC. He is also serving in his second year as President of Congregation Etz Hayim after being Treasurer for the prior five years. Dan and his wife, Elisa, have lived in the Bluemont neighborhood since 2001. He has four children at four different Arlington public schools this year: a junior at Washington-Lee, a freshman at Yorktown, a 7<sup>th</sup> grader at Swanson, and a 3<sup>rd</sup> grader at McKinley. He is passionate about ensuring the financial stability and stewardship of APS.

### Gianmaria Vanzulli

Gianmaria is an Engineer who has been working for international companies and institutions in business planning, budgeting, accounting and finance for more than ten years. He has been living in Arlington since 2010.

### **Heather Jones**

Heather is the Senior Counsel for Financial Disclosure at the U.S. Office of Government Ethics. She completes the ethics and financial review for each non-military executive branch Presidential nominee in a Senate confirmed position. Prior to this position, she was a Senior Counsel for the U.S. House of Representatives Committee on Ethics and was a securities lawyer at WilmerHale for 9 years. Heather served on the Arlington County Fiscal Affairs Advisory Committee for four years, as President for Clarendon Child Care Center for three years and had other board positions. She also served as Treasurer and VP of Programming for the Long Branch PTA. Heather has lived in Arlington since 2000 and in Lyon Park since 2005. She has two children, a 2nd and 4th grader, who attend Long Branch Elementary School.

# **Heather Wathington**

Heather is the Chief Executive Officer of the Maya Angelou Schools and the See Forever Foundation in Washington, DC. The Maya Angelou Schools are a multi-campus collaboration of schools for disconnected youth dedicated to empowering young people to reach their potential and to transition to college, career, and a lifetime of success; the See Forever Foundation supports the schools to accomplish this mission. As she began her work at See Forever Foundation, Dr. Wathington completed her ten-year tenure as an assistant professor/research professor of education at the Curry School of Education at the University of Virginia. Her scholarship focuses on the academic achievement of low-income students and students of color in postsecondary education, with a specific focus on understanding the educational contexts, levers, and practices that promote greater academic success for these students. Her research spans the areas of college access, matriculation and persistence into higher education as well as postgraduate study and research training. Her research has been supported by more than \$2.1 million in grants from the Institute for Education Sciences, the Houston Endowment, the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation, and the National Institutes of Health. Heather is an honors graduate of Wellesley College in Wellesley, Massachusetts, and earned a master's degree in higher education management from the University of Pennsylvania. She has her doctorate from the University of Michigan in Higher and Postsecondary Education, Heather has lived in Arlington since 2013. Her daughter Chloe attends 5th grade at Arlington Science Focus School.

## Jenn Wagener

Jenn is currently in the process of transitioning to a new professional role. For the last 15+ years, Jenn served in various executive and leadership roles for Hobsons, Inc. in Arlington. Hobsons is an education software company offering college and career readiness solutions to K-12 institutions like Arlington and Fairfax Counties. Jenn's most recent role was Vice President of Operations, where she led key corporate projects, executed M&A transactions and managed the company's internal enterprise software systems. During her tenure at Hobsons, Jenn also managed customer relationships, sales operations, financial forecasting and reporting, and product initiatives. Prior to Hobsons, Jenn worked for a start-up initiative with the US Chamber of Commerce helping small businesses operate more cost-efficiently using online tools and services. Jenn began her career at JP Morgan providing financing for primarily media & telecommunications companies. Jenn is married and has two children, both third graders at McKinley Elementary. Jenn is involved in the many activities at McKinley, both those in the classroom and with the PTA. Jenn and her husband both played competitive sports in college, so sports activities keep the Wagener household busy on most nights of the week.

### **Lars Florio**

Lars is a management consultant with 20+ years experience and expertise in telecommunications and wireless communications. He is very active in Arlington civic affairs having sat on various non-profit boards and commissions. Lars is an avid hiker and cyclist. He has a degree in Political Science from Princeton University, where he also played lacrosse. Lars lives in Arlington with his wife and three children, and has lived in either Arlington, Alexandria or DC since 1992.

### Lida Anestidou

Dr. Lida Anestidou is Senior Program Officer in the Division on Earth and Life Studies of the National Academy of Sciences, Engineering and Medicine. In this role she oversees a portfolio of international projects on scientific integrity, responsible science, and ethics in the Middle East/North Africa and South and Southeast Asia. She also is responsible for policy, ethics and practices regarding the care, use and welfare of laboratory animals.

After completing her doctorate in biomedical sciences at the University of Texas Graduate School at Houston, and before coming to Washington, DC, Dr. Anestidou was faculty at Vanderbilt University Medical Center's Center for Biomedical Ethics and Society. Dr. Anestidou also holds a Doctor of Veterinary Medicine degree, having studied and worked as a veterinarian both in Greece (her home country) and the Netherlands.

Dr. Anestidou and her husband, Mr. Takis Karantonis, moved to Arlington in 2007. Since then she has served as a member of the Superintendent's Accountability and Evaluation Committee (committee sunsetted), the Parent Advisory Committee of the Arlington Career Center, and is a current member of the Budget Advisory Council.

### Matthew de Ferranti

Matt serves as Legislative Director for the National Indian Education Association, developing, directing, and implementing the organization's work to improve educational outcomes for Native students. In Arlington, Matt is Vice Chair of the Housing Commission, and on the Joint Facilities Advisory Commission. He also is an alumnus of Leadership Arlington and of Arlington's Neighborhood College class of 2017. Matt previously worked at the Education Trust, where he served as Director of Legislative Affairs during the reauthorization of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act, which culminated in enactment of the "Every Student Succeeds Act." Matt's also worked for Feeding America, Habitat for Humanity, Rebuilding Together, and served as an attorney for cities and school districts in California and Texas. Matt does not have children, but cares very much about Arlington and APS. He lives in Courthouse in a condominium, where he has

lived since moving from DC in 2013. Matt grew up in McLean and began his career teaching elementary school through Teach for America in Houston's Fifth Ward.

### **Matthew Hochstein**

Matt serves as a Director of Market Strategy and Market Implementation at Hagerty Consulting, where he supports clients in preparing for and recovering from disasters. Matt has led large consulting engagements, including a catastrophic planning project for the Federal Emergency Management Agency's first multistate/multi-region effort, and more recently, the State of North Carolina's implementation strategy for a \$200M HUD disaster grant. Previously, Matt has had a career in management consulting, working at Deloitte Consulting as a Manager in the Strategy and Operations practice area. There he led a Project Management Office for the modernization of a cabinet level agency's grant platform. Matt also worked in Strategic Change Management at Credit Suisse USA where he implemented operational efficiency-based projects in Credit Suisse's cash securities group. Finally, Matt's first consulting role was with Public Consulting Group, Inc., where he managed third party liability/financial recovery contracts for multiple State Medicaid Agencies. This is Matt's first role within Arlington County. Matt is a certified Project Management Professional (PMP). He received a Master of Business Administration from the Kenan-Flagler Business School, University of North Carolina, and, a Bachelor of Arts, Government, from Wesleyan University (CT). He lives in Arlington with his wife and two children, Sienna and Cole.

### Michael Bruce

Michael serves as Director of Business Development for General Dynamics Mission Systems, where he develops corporate strategy and capture plans for homeland security and cyber security initiatives. Michael was previously a federal senior executive with the Department of Health and Human Services, and executive with the Transportation Security Administration, and with Accenture/Andersen Consulting. In these roles Michael managed large mission outcome transformation efforts to improve citizen services and government services. For HHS, he led government-wide shared services for Human Resources, Project Management, Financial Management, and Information Assurance. Michael serves on the APS Budget Advisory Council, Troop Committee for BSA Troop 167, and has served as a delegate to the Civic Federation, President of the Waycroft-Woodlawn Civic Association, and Cubmaster for BSA Pack 116. Michael three children currently in APS. His children attended Glebe Elementary School, and are currently spread amongst Swanson Middle School, HB Woodlawn, and Washington & Lee High School. Michael attended high school locally at Georgetown Preparatory School and received his BS and MBA from Cornell University.

#### Michael Shea

Michael is a freelance videographer and research analyst, with extensive experience as an economist. Much of his freelance video work relates to webcasting, as producer, director, and camera operator. His economist background includes service as a government statistician, a business consultant, a Wall Street banker, a small business owner, a union organizer, and a freelance journalist. Among his several productions through community media, he has produced more than 100 videos of high school sports and competitions. He has also produced a series of videos of conversations between APS teachers and community partners. In Arlington, Michael recently completed six years of service on the Fiscal Affairs Advisory Commission, a shorter stint on the Long Bridge Park Advisory Commission, and, prior to that, a term on the Board of Directors for Arlington Independent Media. He is a past co-chair of the APS Arts Advisory Committee and current co-chair of the Career, Technical, and Adult Education Advisory Committee. Michael and his wife, Cathie Sullivan, have lived in Arlington's Westover neighborhood for 19 years. They are the proud parents of Matthew Shea Sullivan (more commonly known as Sully) who is currently at James Madison University after graduating from McKinley ES, Swanson MS, and Yorktown High School. Since moving to Arlington, they have attended the Unitarian Universalist Church of Arlington and have both spent many years as Religious Education teachers there.