

Neuhaus Education Center Welcomes New Board of Trustees and Advisory Board Members

May 25, 2022, Bellaire, TX – Neuhaus Education Center, non-profit educational organization dedicated to promoting reading success, welcomed new Board of Trustees and Advisory Board members. These members will provide insight and guidance that support Neuhaus' mission in promoting literacy throughout Texas and beyond, and works closely with the President & CEO, Dr. Tracy White Weeden, the Executive team and staff.

"Neuhaus Education Center is pleased to introduce newly appointed Board of Trustees and Advisory Board members who are positioned to serve as valued volunteers advancing a mission of reading success for all," stated Dr. Tracy White Weeden, President & CEO.

Neuhaus Education Center Board of Trustees Members:

- **Jamie Grissom** is the founding Executive Director for Books Between Kids. As a fundraising consultant, she has worked with over a dozen non-profit organizations to manage and create successful fundraising events. She has held several leadership positions for nonprofits including Director of Development for both the Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Houston and Neuhaus Education Center (2004-2007). She co-chaired (with Katherine Kardesch) the NEC Luncheon auction in 2013, and again in 2022 with Amy Melton.
- **Katherine Kardesch** has been a philanthropic supporter within the Houston community serving for organizations including The Children's Fund, The Fay School, and Texas Parents. Her involvement with Neuhaus began in 2004 when she co-chaired the Annual Benefit Luncheon.
- **Kristen Stubbs** serves as Executive Director for the Arthritis Foundation. She has been instrumental in helping create and drive the strategic direction of several large nonprofits in Houston, including the Barbara Bush Literacy Foundation and the Salvation Army in Houston, through deliberate and intentional efforts in revenue generation and program development.

Neuhaus Education Center Advisory Board Members:

- **Jason Burdine** is a Financial Advisor/Consultant whose son was diagnosed with dyslexia and greatly benefitted from Neuhaus programs. He previously served on the Fort Bend ISD Board and advocates for Neuhaus programs.
- **Christine Butler** is a Senior Vice President in PNC's Corporate and Institutional Banking group, providing credit and banking services to companies in the Houston area. She has previously co-chaired the Annual Benefit Luncheon with her husband Chris, and their son has received Neuhaus tutoring.
- **Kathleen Noel Camp** is an active volunteer within the Houston area. In 2017, she and her children created *A Novel Idea* to assist in placing libraries in high schools that do not currently have one. Her family has been very involved at Neuhaus, and she received tutoring from Neuhaus-trained tutor, Pat Sellers, as a child.
- **Cynthia Goehringer** currently serves on the Advancement Committee. Originally from Beaumont and a former teacher, she is very passionate about supporting Neuhaus' mission.



- **Jack Lyons** is the former Managing Director of Wortham Insurance and Risk Management, an organization that focuses primarily on the energy and petrochemical business. He has served for many Houston-area organizations including the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo, the Harmon Family Foundation, and the RITE Program.
- **Linda Nunnery** is Vice President and Client and Community Relations Director for PNC Bank. She currently serves on the Executive Committee for the Children's Museum of Houston Board of Directors, the Houston Regional Council for First3Years, and is an active member of both the Corporate Advisory Board for the Barbara Bush Houston Literacy Foundation and the Greater Houston Partnership's Public Education Policy Committee.
- **John Robinson** is an educator, national keynote speaker, trainer, and lecturer for Scholastic's Read and Rise program, a nationally recognized early literacy solution program, who has been a champion at engaging all stakeholders in changing reading and literacy outcomes. He is the Director of Education and Youth Development at the Houston Area Urban League (HAUL) and the founder and president of John Robinson Consulting (JRC), a for profit organization focused on providing training, mentoring, and coaching to professional development teams in the education arena.

Neuhaus Education Center is dedicated to promoting reading success for all and provides evidence-based training and support to teachers, supplies information and resources to families, and offers direct literacy services to adult learner. For more information about Neuhaus' Leadership, please go to: <https://www.neuhaus.org/board>.

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