

Calgary Economic Development is a catalyst, a conduit and a connector

Calgary Economic Development Audit Committee 2019-2020 Biographies

Leontine Atkins – Chair

Leontine Atkins holds the Institute of Corporate Directors Education Program Designation (ICD.D) and regularly facilitates sessions for the ICD Director Education Program and ICD Audit Committee Effectiveness seminars.

Leontine was recently appointed a Board member of KPMG Canada's Board of Directors. Leontine is currently a member of the Board of Calgary Economic Development and Chair of their Audit Committee. Leontine is also a Board and Audit Committee member of the Heritage Park Society. She is a former Board member and Chair of the Glenbow Museum's Audit Committee. She previously served on the UNICEF Calgary Patron's Council for the annual Water for Life Gala.

Leontine has been with KPMG since 1987, an audit partner since 1998, and worked in KPMG's European (Amsterdam, London) practice for 15 years. Leontine has financial experience in industrial and energy sectors, including international and North American oil and gas (upstream and downstream), oil sands, utilities, pipelines, gas storage, power (gas, coal, nuclear and renewables), and (petro and agri) chemicals.

Leontine is a Business Administration - Finance graduate of Acadia University, and earned her Master of Business Administration degree at Dalhousie University. Leontine also holds the Canadian Institute of Chartered Professional Accountants and Netherlands Institute of Chartered Accountants professional designations.

Steve Allan

Steve Allan is a Fellow of the Chartered Professional Accountants of Alberta. He practiced in the area of corporate restructuring, insolvency and forensic accounting and throughout his career was involved in some of the most-high profile and complex files in Alberta. He is a graduate of the University of Calgary (Bachelor of Commerce) and holds the ICD.D designation with the Institute of Corporate Directors.

Steve is the Board Chair of Calgary Economic Development, and McMahon Stadium Society, Board Vice-Chair of the Neyaskweyahk Trust of the Ermineskin Cree Nation and Vice Chair of the inaugural board of the Opportunity Calgary Investment Fund.

Steve currently serves as an advisor to the City of Calgary Event Centre Assessment Committee and the Foothills Athletic Park Redevelopment Advisory Committee. He serves as a director of three Limited Partnerships, two involving real estate development and one focused on distress business opportunities. Steve is one of the co-chairs of the Top 7 Over 70 Awards program and serves on the board of the related InterGen Canada, dedicated to creating opportunities for retired businesspeople to mentor entrepreneurs.

Steve recently completed a five-year term as Governor of the University of Calgary and served as Chair of the Canadian Tourism Commission (now known as Destination Canada)

for seven years. He also served as Co-Chair of the Calgary Poverty Reduction Initiative and chaired the Committee to Refresh Calgary's 2013-2018 Economic Strategy.

He is Past President of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Alberta and continues to volunteer for the Institute (now CPA Alberta), as he has throughout his career.

Steve has been a committed member of the Rotary Club of Calgary since 1980. He served as Club President in 1994-95 and as Governor of Rotary District #5360 in 2009-10. He remains active with Rotary as a mentor in the club's Stay in School program and is one of the stewards of the Rotary Tom Jackson Stay in School program, focused on First Nations students.

Steve has served as Trustee of the Calgary Zoological Society, a Director of the Calgary Foundation, a Director of University Technologies Inc., and was a member of the Committee to End Homelessness in Calgary. He was also a director of Compton Petroleum Corp. and Chaired the Independent Review Committee of the Citadel Group of Funds.

Steve has been a volunteer of the Calgary Exhibition and Stampede since 1974 and served as Chairman of the Board and President of the Stampede from 2005-2007. He joined the Calgary Stampede Foundation Board in 2008, and ultimately chaired the board from 2016-2018.

Steve was recognized as Calgary's 'Citizen of the Year' for 2006. He also was recognized with the Lifetime Achievement Award by the Institute of Chartered Accountants and was named Distinguished Alumni of the Year by the Calgary Board of Education in 2009. He is humbled to be an Honorary Treaty Seven Chief, "Rides Many Horses". In 2017, Steve was inducted into the Alberta Order of Excellence.

A former marathoner, Steve still enjoys running, fitness, skiing, cycling and golf.

Lori Caltagirone

Lori Caltagirone, CPA, CA, is President & CEO of Sunesis Consulting, a leading governance and compliance firm specializing in risk management, Sarbanes-Oxley, and internal audit services within the intermediate energy industry. Lori currently serves on the boards of directors for Calgary Economic Development, the City of Calgary Audit Committee, and the Canadian think tank Cardus. Lori has also served on the Board of Directors for the Calgary Philharmonic Orchestra for seven years, four of which she Chaired the Audit & Finance Committee.

Early in her career, Lori spent a decade with several multinational companies including, Mobil Oil Canada, ExxonMobil, Imperial Oil and Enbridge Pipelines where she developed an extensive knowledge of world-class corporate and operational practices.

Inspired by the concepts of excellence in thought, strategic foresight and good judgement, in 2004, Lori formed Sunesis, whose name is a Greek word for "wisdom".

Over the last fifteen years, through Sunesis, Lori has created and led Sarbanes-Oxley compliance programs, governance evaluations, whistleblower investigations, enterprise risk management implementations and internal audit functions for her clients, which include Tourmaline Oil Corp, Seven Generations, Advantage Oil & Gas, Crescent Point Energy and Northview REIT to name a few. Lori also currently serves as Crescent Point Energy's Chief Audit Executive.

Recognized as an expert, Lori's insights have been quoted in the National Post, Oil Week, and the Explorer Magazine. Lori is also a frequently sought speaker at the Federated Press and Infonex conferences and has been a guest lecturer at Mount Royal University and the University of Alberta.

In 2015, received the prestigious Distinguished Service Award from the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Alberta.

Mary Moran

Mary became President and CEO of Calgary Economic Development in 2015. Under her leadership there has been greater focus on Calgary's competitiveness in the new economy; including the areas of talent development, innovation, placemaking, and the business environment.

Mary initially joined Calgary Economic Development as Vice President of Marketing, Communications and Research in 2010. She brought extensive leadership experience in the development of strategy, marketing, stakeholder relations and fund development with leading companies, including TELUS Delta Hotels, Canadian Airlines and Wardair.

At Calgary Economic Development, Mary led teams that created the Calgary Be Part of the Energy promotional brand adopted by all civic agencies, the award-winning 2013 flood recovery campaign YYC is OPEN, and oversaw development of two iterations of the city's economic strategy, Calgary Building on our Energy and Calgary in the New Economy. Mary is the CEO of the Opportunity Calgary Investment Fund, a board director of the Calgary Film Centre, and was CEO of Calgary 2026 Bid corporation developing and promoting a bid to host the Winter Olympic and Paralympic Games.

Mary earned an MBA from Royal Roads University. She is active in the Calgary community and serves as a director for the Calgary Petroleum Club, O'Brien Institute for Public Health and is the Chair of Sport Calgary. She is a past Chair of Ronald McDonald House Southern Alberta.

Robert Hayes

Robert Hayes is currently Regional President & Head of Corporate Finance and Commercial Banking, Western Canada and Ontario, National Bank of Canada.

A native of Halifax, Nova Scotia, Mr. Hayes has enjoyed a career in banking that has spanned over 30 years, leading small to large teams in excess of 2,500 people doing business across North America. He has lived in Atlantic Canada, Ontario and for the last 17 years in Calgary, Alberta. He has held numerous senior Executive positions over his tenure with three financial institutions, overseeing businesses that included retail, commercial, corporate, M&A, risk management, and international banking. Through his involvement in several billion dollars of financing, he has knowledge of many industries including agriculture, automotive, real estate, transportation, oil & gas, gaming, energy, and manufacturing. His direct business experience areas include strategy, brand building, operations, risk management, human resources, distressed turnaround leadership, lean process redesign, project management, and finance.

Mr. Hayes holds a Bachelor of Commerce degree from Dalhousie University, CMA, CPA, and ICD.D designations. He has also completed Executive Leadership & Strategic Management programs at Northwestern University, University of Western Ontario, and University of Toronto. In 2013 Mr. Hayes was selected as one of Alberta's 50 most influential people.

In the community, Mr. Hayes was on the Calgary Stampede Foundation \$100 million capital campaign committee that exceeded its goal raising over \$117 million, served three terms on the United Way Executive Campaign Cabinet that set new records in fundraising each year, Chaired the Wood's Homes Foundation board and represented them on the Capital Campaign Committee that raised over \$12 million, was a Westside Recreation Centre board member where he Chaired the Human Resources Committee, Chaired the Western Canada Canadian Bankers Association board, sat on the Peter Lougheed Centre Development Council for over 10 years, and has coached numerous city champion hockey teams. He also keeps busy by actively participating in hockey, golf and running. Robert is married to his wife of over 25 years Jacqueline, and they have triplet children attending university on the east coast.

Trent Edwards

As COO of Brookfield Residential (Alberta) LP, Trent is currently responsible for overseeing Brookfield Residential's Alberta operations. He has taken on various roles at Brookfield as the company has grown, including vice president of finance with Brookfield Residential Alberta (formerly Carma Developers) and chief operating officer in Australia. Brookfield Residential Alberta now employs over 400 people and creates communities for approximately 2,000 families and 1,000 homes per year.

Trent obtained a Bachelor of Commerce degree at the University of Alberta in 1994, followed by his chartered accountant designation. Proud of his team for valuing partnerships at all levels, Trent is committed to taking an even more collaborative and informative approach with all stakeholders and is excited to be part of a vibrant industry in a growing, lively province. Trent is passionate about giving back to the community through volunteering with local non-profit organizations. In addition to joining the Board of Calgary Economic Development, he is a former Senator at the University of Calgary and is on the Advisory Board for the Haskayne School of Business and the Westman Centre. He was previously on the Board of the Sheldon Kennedy Child Advocacy Centre and the Board of the Urban Land Institute, Alberta Chapter.

Christie Gillespie

Christine Gillespie is a General Manager with a 20-year career in global agribusiness, in both bulk commodities (chemical and mining) and high-service agronomic retail, including roles leading operations, corporate development and strategy, marketing, investor relations and supply chain. A strategic, entrepreneurial-minded, operational leader with proven business acumen across diverse business segments and geographies, including internationally (Canada, US, West and Central Europe). A multi-faceted leader who spearheads critical initiatives including turnarounds, M&A, integration, product adoption and delivers operational improvement streamlining process, reducing costs, and building teams. In her leadership roles, she has overseen the implementation of programs and cultures to ensure top-tier performance in safety, health and environment, compliance, and governance. In her current role as Managing Director, International Strategy, she is developing strategies for China, India and Africa for the world's largest integrated agricultural solutions provider and fertilizer company (Nutrien).

Ms. Gillespie holds a Master of Business Administration and a Bachelor of Commerce with Distinction, both from University of Calgary Haskayne School for Business. She is a member of the Institute of Corporate Directors and a 2018 graduate of the ICD-Rotman Directors Education Program. She has also completed Directors' programs through ECODA and the Kellogg School of Business.

Ms. Gillespie co-founded the industry-leading Agrium's Women's Leadership Group (now WIN).