



Meyer Center Board Candidate: Morgan Arndt

Employment: Attorney at Womble Carlyle Sandridge & Rice, LLP

Check all that apply:

- ✓ Experience with business
- ✓ Resident of SC



Education and Non-Profit Board Experience:

Clemson University, Accounting, Bachelor of Science
The George Washington University Law School, Juris Doctor

Other Training: Training received through my prior service on two non-profits' boards.

1. How will you help advance the mission of the Meyer Center by serving on the Board?

I will strive to help the Meyer Center reach its maximum potential for the benefit and development of the children. As a Board member, I will help advance the mission of the Meyer Center by being an active participant in Board meetings, coming to meetings prepared, and thoughtfully considering the issues and decisions that are presented to the Board. I will do my best to provide the superior governance and decision-making skills that the children deserve. In serving on the Board, I will remain focused on how each decision will affect the children, the employees, and the organization, as a whole, in its efforts to provide quality therapy and education for these very special children. They deserve the absolute best from all of us!

2. Describe your work experience and nonprofit background and how it prepares you to be a member of the board.

I believe I have a diverse background that will allow me to valuably contribute to the Meyer Center Board. As a corporate attorney, I often advise boards on the fiduciary duties owed to their organizations, corporate governance best practices, and how to navigate through strategic decisions. In addition to serving on the Meyer Center Board during 2017, I have served on another non-profit organization's board that provides services to teenagers. In addition, I have accounting and legal training and experience, which I believe makes me well-positioned to understand the operational, financial, regulatory, and legal obstacles that the Meyer Center may face. I believe these combined experiences uniquely prepare me to serve on the Meyer Center Board.



Meyer Center Board Candidate: Douglas Burrell

Employment: Director Revenue Cycle Operations at Bon Secours St. Francis HealthSystem

Check all that apply:

- ✓ Experience with business
- ✓ Resident of SC



Education and Non-Profit Board Experience:

College of Charleston, BS in Accounting

University of Charleston, MS in Accounting

Other Training:

1. How will you help advance the mission of the Meyer Center by serving on the Board?

I have served a one year term for the Meyer Center and have assisted in obtaining the funding for the additional nurse. I was also able to secure St. Francis Hospital as the main sponsor for the Ladies Luncheon in November. I feel that with my education, experience and contacts I can help advance the mission of the Meyer Center by providing needed resources and continuing to maintain fiscal responsibility.

2. Describe your work experience and nonprofit background and how it prepares you to be a member of the board.

I have worked in non-profit healthcare for almost 15 years, I am also currently serving on the Julie Valentine Board of Directors. I have experience in non-profit accounting and have also done work (billing, collections and general accounting functions) for a small company in Charleston that provides speech and ABA therapy for autistic children.



Meyer Center Board Candidate: Jennifer Cain

Employment: Owner at Monkee's of the Westend

Check all that apply:

- ✓ Experience with business
- ✓ Resident of SC

Education and Non-Profit Board Experience:

Wofford College, Bachelor of Arts in Art History



Other Training:

1. How will you help advance the mission of the Meyer Center by serving on the Board?

I don't like to do things on a small scale, in life, love and business. I strive to bring my passion for success and development to all the important facets in my life. I would bring that same passion to spreading the mission of the Meyer Center. I have the wonderful job of owning, Monkee's of the Westend, a women's retail store located in downtown Greenville. Though, Monkee's is much more than a store. It has been a conduit for me to connect and influence many wonderful people from many backgrounds and in return, the store has become a haven and escape for those same people when they encounter trying times in their lives or simply need to get away for part of the day. The point is, people and relationships are key to my success. I will bring those same principles to promoting and embodying the mission of the Meyer Center.

2. Describe your work experience and nonprofit background and how it prepares you to be a member of the board.

I volunteered at an early age as a Girl Scout. My mother was my troop leader and felt strongly that being part of the community was essential to being a whole person. I feel blessed that she created that foundation in me. I was a Bonner Scholar at Wofford University and volunteered at various places including the Arts Partnership of Spartanburg and First Steps of Spartanburg as part of my scholarship. My personal connection to the Meyer Center started at a time in my life that was full of personal growth. I was a senior at Wofford College, living at home with my parents and struggling to overcome an eating disorder that almost ended my life. I developed an internship at the Meyer Center to help complete a graduate requirement for college. I was privileged to spend a whole month with Wendy Shockley, a speech pathologist. I walked in those doors expecting to teach the kids, but I ended up learning instead. Little did I know that a simple internship would teach me so much more about myself and promote my own personal growth. Since that time, the Meyer Center has had a special place in my heart. Fast Forward 12 years, my drive and passions through managing and eventually owning a local business - skills that include: leadership, employee development, adaptability, problem solving, collaboration and many others. It would be my joy and pleasure to use these skills and many others while serving on the Meyer Center Board.



Meyer Center Board Candidate: Marsha Elrod

Employment: Retired

Check all that apply:

- ✓ Experience with business
- ✓ Resident of SC



Education and Non-Profit Board Experience:

Furman

Other Training:

1. How will you help advance the mission of the Meyer Center by serving on the Board?

I want to help the Center be more financially stable so that it continues to serve all the children. To do this we need to be sure that an endowment is set up and that we are transparent with what we are doing to serve our community.

2. Describe your work experience and nonprofit background and how it prepares you to be a member of the board.

I have been an active member of the Meyer Center for over 25+ years, either as a board member or a fund raiser. I have served as President, VP, Secretary and Treasurer at some point during this period of the board. My history with the center and my work experience as a CEO and Owner of companies gives me the background to look at this organization from a non-profit view and from a business view. I believe that with this experience I can be of great assistance in making our center more financially stable and responsive to our community needs.



Meyer Center Board Candidate: Warren Griffith

Employment: President/CEO at FUEL Digital Marketing & Branding

Check all that apply:

- ✓ Experience with business
- ✓ Resident of SC



Education and Non-Profit Board Experience:

University of South Carolina - Upstate, B.S. in Business Administration

Other Training:

1. How will you help advance the mission of the Meyer Center by serving on the Board?

I've had the pleasure of being a strategic marketing partner with the Meyer Center for the past couple of years. My company, FUEL, has been heavily involved in creating marketing materials such as the new website, invitations and items needed for events, and support of ongoing fundraising efforts. In my role as a board member, I'm given the opportunity to work more closely with the board and the staff to provide ideas and opportunities to expand our initiatives and provide the services needed to support the kids and the vision of the Meyer Center. Not only myself, but the rest of my team has developed a very special place in our hearts for the kids and parents. We continue to participate in Trunk-or-Treat and also host field trips at our offices. Personally, I will be looking for more volunteer opportunities and ways I can leverage FUEL to make the community more aware of the Meyer Center and ways in which they can give their support.

2. Describe your work experience and nonprofit background and how it prepares you to be a member of the board.

I've been involved with the Meyer Center for the past couple of years and am in the middle of my first term board member. I've learned so much about the inner workings of a non-profit organization and the challenges they face on a daily basis which has allowed me to think more globally about how to give of my time and services. I'm also a volunteer with Meals on Wheels and teach a 4-year old Sunday school class with my wife and kids at my church. We have one of the Meyer Center students in our class and she is such a blessing to us every time we have her. As a business owner, it's not always easy to have time to be involved in the community but I make every effort to volunteer and give of my time and FUEL's time to support non-profit organizations.



Meyer Center Board Candidate: Tommy Jenkins

Employment: Owner at Greenville Maintenance Services Inc.

Check all that apply:

- ✓ Experience with business
- ✓ Resident of SC



Education and Non-Profit Board Experience:

Greenville Tech

Other Training:

1. How will you help advance the mission of the Meyer Center by serving on the Board?

I believe God guided me in the path towards serving for the Meyer Center. From the first moment I had the privilege of learning how the Center changes the lives of God's tiny children, I had a strong pull towards helping in any way I could. Over the years, I have watched and learned how the Center operates big and small and my passion to serve grows deeper. Being a business Owner and a member of the community helps me bring a professional and passionate voice to the seat at the table.

2. Describe your work experience and nonprofit background and how it prepares you to be a member of the board.

I have served the Meyer Center by being a donor and a voice in the community. I served on the ambassador board and the Meyer Center board in years prior. I also have served on the golf committee, capital campaign committee and the search committee when the Meyer Center was looking for a new director. My passion towards what the Center stands for has changed my life for the better and I share the greatness with anyone who will listen. I also serve as an Elder in my church for 12 years and taught Sunday school classes of all ages.



Meyer Center Board Candidate: Shane Peek

Employment: Instructional Technology Facilitator at Greenville County Schools

Check all that apply:

- ✓ Experience with business
- ✓ Resident of SC



Education and Non-Profit Board Experience:

University of the Cumberlands, B.S. in Biology and Philosophy/Religion

University of the Cumberlands, M.A. in Teaching

Other Training: 1-Foundations in School Leadership, SC DoE ('12-13); 2-Master Naturalist ('13); 3-Apple Distinguished Teacher ('16)

1. How will you help advance the mission of the Meyer Center by serving on the Board?

With the mission of the Meyer Center in mind, I see myself being an asset to the Board due to the following reasons: 1. Personally, I am extremely passionate about the goals and missions of the Meyer Center. I believe that all children are blessed with amazing potential, and when nurtured appropriately, everyone can experience a life full of meaning and purpose and become a productive member of society. 2. As an Instructional Coach for Greenville County Schools, I feel that I am aware of current trends and best practices in education. If selected, I will speak based on my experience and knowledge in the field of education. Although I do not have a background in Special Education, I will also gladly serve and provide support to the staff however is needed. 3. As a former teacher, I see the importance of a firm foundation in education. The early years are critical and greatly impact a child's trajectory. I believe that the Meyer Center is absolutely aware of this, and I will always ensure that our decisions are rooted in the fact that every child that enters the Meyer Center has amazing potential if given the right educational environment. 4. Last and perhaps most important, as a father of a child who has been blessed to attend the Meyer Center, I will pay close attention to the impact that we have on the family unit as a whole. If selected, I will serve knowing that the boards decisions extend beyond the halls and walls of 1132 Rutherford Road. With the aforementioned reasons in mind, I know my strengths and weaknesses (Strengths Finder results: learner, achiever, intellection, input, and strategic). I will humbly and passionately bring my skills to the table, and serve this remarkable organization to the best of my abilities.

2. Describe your work experience and nonprofit background and how it prepares you to be a member of the board.

Professionally, I have served as an educator for seven years. The first six years I served in a Title One School in Beaufort, SC, teaching middle school science. My goal as an educator was to provide a community where all students would thrive, to see hidden talents/giftings within each student, and to help students develop and refine those skills. I quickly advanced and was given further responsibilities (7th Grade Team Leader in 2013 and Science Coordinator in 2015). As a part of my role, I was able to be a voice and champion for students with special needs by playing a vital role in IEP meetings and on-going progress reports. After moving to the Upstate, I accepted a position as a Instructional Technology Facilitator with Greenville County Schools. In my current role, I serve three schools (one elementary and two middle) and provide assistance and provision for teachers in a variety of methods (i.e., personal growth cycles, develop and deliver trainings and workshops, creativity and brainstorming meetings, co-teaching, model lessons, etc.). Admittedly, I have limited experience serving in a nonprofit role. Prior to relocating, I served as a volunteer Children's Pastor for three years. In this position, numerous duties were fulfilled (i.e., training and overseeing volunteers, developing curriculum, scheduling, and other day-to-day duties).



Meyer Center Board Candidate: Katherine Lee Penny

Employment: Manager at Safe Kids Upstate

Check all that apply:

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Education and Non-Profit Board Experience:

Furman University, Communication Studies

Medical University of South Carolina, Masters in Health Administration

Other Training:

1. How will you help advance the mission of the Meyer Center by serving on the Board?

If elected to the Meyer Center Board, my goal would be to provide an external perspective to the Meyer Center and to help facilitate any networking, promotion, and growth of the Meyer Center. This is an incredibly exciting time for the Meyer Center for Special Children and I am excited about the upcoming opportunities for the families and children at the center. I view this opportunity to be an advocate, supporter, and active leader in helping to build more programming and more opportunities for your child.

2. Describe your work experience and nonprofit background and how it prepares you to be a member of the board.

As the Manager for Safe Kids Upstate, the injury prevention performance team within the Bradshaw Institute for Community Child Health & Advocacy led by Children's Hospital of Greenville Health System, I have been fortunate to focus on impact driven non profits. I have experience in both the inpatient and outpatient pediatric healthcare settings and have been fortunate to apply for and successfully win major grants to boost programming and impact in our community. I have worked to plan major fundraising initiatives for other non profit groups and have strengths in accounting and strategic planning. I am incredibly passionate about caring for children in our community and honored to be nominated to work with the Meyer Center.