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Bob Murray is the incoming President and CEO of Grand Prairie Regional College in Alberta. Bob recently served as the Managing Director of Dentons Government Affairs and Public Policy group where he worked with public-sector and private-sector organizations on strategic development and planning, organizational change, crisis and issues management, policy analysis and development, risk analysis and mitigation, governance and government affairs within Canada and globally.

Bob has held senior-level positions in the professional and business advisory services, economic development, think-tank and education sectors, and has advised extensively on municipal, provincial, federal and international policy issues. He consults on policy and political matters, both nationally and internationally, and has served as a faculty member at the University of Alberta and Brock University.



He also serves as a board member for the Council of the Great Lakes Region and the Organization for the Prevention of Violence, and holds a series of research fellowships including a Senior Fellowship at the Canadian International Council and a Senior Fellowship at the Macdonald Laurier Institute.

Susan A. Thompson

Community Leader

Entrepreneur, Politician, Diplomat

Philanthropic Fundraiser, Author

Founder of Mayors and Reeves of the Capital Region

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Trailblazer, community leader, entrepreneur, politician, diplomat, philanthropic fundraiser, founder of Mayors and Reeves of the Capital Region now known as the Winnipeg Metropolitan Region.

Susan A. Thompson is a trailblazer, leader and visionary. She was elected the 40th mayor and first woman mayor of the City of Winnipeg in 1992.

Thompson served two terms and led the City of Winnipeg through the largest crisis the city had faced in 100 years, known as the Flood of Century in 1997.

Susan is an entrepreneur and businesswoman as well as the first woman Rotarian in Manitoba, and she was appointed in 1999 as the first woman Consul General at the Canadian Consulate in Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Susan's long career and dedication to her community also includes serving as the President of the Urban Idea Centre in Winnipeg and Founding President and CEO of the University of Winnipeg Foundation. Currently Susan is the executive consultant for the Winnipeg Art Gallery Inuit Art Centre Campaign.



Karl Loepp

Chief Operating Officer
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Karl has been actively working in the construction industry since 1988 and is Chief Operating Officer (COO) and an original founder of Private Pension Partners (P3). P3 is a Winnipeg based real estate entity that provides customized portfolio and asset management and advisory services for Canadian commercial and multi-residential real estate investors.



Karl has overall control and responsibility for development, design, construction, property operations, the primary management of service provider relationships and has successfully led over \$350 million of development and redevelopment transactions in the past 6 years with P3. Karl's extensive background in construction management, construction services, property management, and leasing delivers the hands-on property specific expertise to the Private Pension Partners senior management team and provides instrumental leadership and strategic direction to the growth of P3.

Karl is also the Chair of MCCC the Manitoba Centennial Centre corporation, responsible for the management and ongoing operations of the Centennial Concert Hall and its related properties and services for organizations within the centennial centre.

Don Streuber, FCPA, FCA

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Don Streuber is a chartered accountant and has a Bachelor of Commerce with honours in finance from the University of Manitoba. Don became President of Bison on March 1, 2000 and transitioned to his current role as Executive Chairman in September 2015. He came to Bison Transport from Sill, Streuber, Fiske & Co.

Don is active in the transportation industry and is a past Chair of the Canadian Trucking Alliance and CentrePort Canada Inc. He is also Director and Chair of the Audit Committee of Exchange Income Corporation, a TSX-listed company.

Outside of transportation, Don Streuber is currently the Vice Chair of the Board of the Assiniboine Park Conservancy. He is a member of the Business Council of Canada (formerly CCCE) and Past Chair and Director Emeritus of the Business Council of Manitoba.



Martin McGarry

President and CEO

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Martin McGarry began his commercial real estate career in 1992. McGarry's continual pursuits of client-service excellence lead him to start his own company, MMI Commercial Real Estate Ltd. In 2004.

Four years later, McGarry joined up with an international brand, DTZ, where his leadership and devotion to the client produced a team of sales agents that became number one in the city in industrial leasing and sales. He spear-headed a group in 2015 that purchased Winnipeg's oldest real estate group, Stevenson Real Estate Service. This acquisition included one of the city's premier brokerage teams, Cushman & Wakefield Winnipeg.



Michael (Mike) Jack

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Michael Jack currently serves as the Chief Corporate Services Officer for the City of Winnipeg, with oversight over a number of City Departments and Divisions, including the Planning, Property & Development Department. Michael plays a key role in civic planning, policy implementation and performance improvement and stakeholder relations. Michael's work is focused on establishing and nurturing positive and trust-based relationships with the City of Winnipeg organization, other levels of government, community organizations and the business community.



Michael joined the City's Legal Services Department as a solicitor in 2000. A graduate of the University of Manitoba in both Law (LL.B.) and Commerce (B.Comm., Honours) he has acted as both a prosecutor and defense counsel; conducted a wide range of civil litigation; and acted for the Winnipeg Police Service in several jury trials. Appointed Director of Legal Services in May 2012, he ensured the provision of legal advice and representation in all areas of civic responsibility

Laren Bill

Chairperson

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Laren is a member of Pelican Lake First Nation in Saskatchewan and is an experienced chairperson with background working in the government administration industry. He is a strong business development professional with a Master's degree focused in Natural Resource Management from the University of Manitoba.



Since 2015, Laren has served as the Chairperson of the Implementation Monitoring Committee for the Manitoba Framework Agreement, Treaty Land Entitlement.

Previously he was the advisor for the Treaty Land Entitlement Committee. Laren also served as the Aboriginal Consultation Advisor to the government of Alberta (2005-2007) and TLE Implementation Advisor to the Treaty Land Entitlement Committee of Manitoba (2007-2015).

Currently he is helping lead the Collaborative Leadership Initiative – a historic movement taking place between Mayors, Reeves and Chiefs in the Winnipeg METRO Region on Treaty No. 1.

Dr. Annette Trimbee

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Dr. Annette Trimbee became President and Vice-Chancellor at The University of Winnipeg on August 1, 2014. She was reappointed in 2018 for a second term. Located in downtown Winnipeg on Treaty One territory in the heart of the Métis homeland, The University of Winnipeg is home to approximately 10,000 students as well 1,200 faculty and staff members and is noted for academic excellence, Indigenous inclusion, environmental commitment, small class sizes, and campus diversity.

Dr. Trimbee's key accomplishments to date include completing a university-wide strategic directions plan, enacting a three-year budget strategy, and implementing an Indigenous Course Requirement for all undergraduate students — among the first in Canada.

Previously, Dr. Trimbee served as Deputy Minister of several departments in the Alberta government, including Finance and Treasury Board, and Advanced Education and Technology. Key accomplishments include Alberta Budget 2012 and 2013, the redesign of Alberta's innovation system, creation of the Alberta Innovates Corporations, bringing Alberta post-secondary institutions together to plan and collaborate through Campus Alberta, and development of Alberta's Health Policy Framework and Integrated Resource Management Policy Framework.

Dr. Trimbee currently serves on the board of Universities Canada, the voice of Canadian universities at home and abroad; is the Chair of USports, which oversees sports at 56 Canadian universities; and is Chair of the Canadian Research Knowledge Network, a partnership of Canadian universities dedicated to expanding digital content for the academic research and teaching enterprise in Canada. She is also a member of the Public Interest Law Centre Advisory Committee in Manitoba, which informs the Centre's case selections and its case portfolio of human rights, environmental, consumer, and Indigenous law.

She holds a BSc from The University of Winnipeg, an MSc from the University of Manitoba, and a PhD from McMaster University in aquatic ecology. She was also a post-doctoral fellow at the University of Alberta.

John Wintrup

Planner

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John Wintrup is a Partner and planning consultant with Richard Wintrup and Associates. He was first drawn to planning because of his experience as a University of Winnipeg student in the early 1990s. He wanted to make positive changes in the city and has since been a part of many planning projects in Winnipeg.

John is a well-known subject matter expert and represents clients in municipal development approval process and land expropriations and litigation matters. Throughout his career, John has provided technical advice at hundreds of public hearings regarding planning, land-use policies, regulations, and municipal engineering requirements.

Prior to his work with Richard Wintrup and Associates, John was a planner with the City of Winnipeg for over 10 years and worked on new land developments. He holds a BA with Honours in Sociology and Geography from the University of Winnipeg and an MS in Planning for the University of Toronto.



Dayna Spiring

President and CEO

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Dayna directs all aspects of the activities for Economic Development Winnipeg Inc. (EDW). EDW is the lead economic development agency for Winnipeg, encompassing YES! Winnipeg and Tourism Winnipeg. Her role is to provide leadership and strategic direction, collaborate with key stakeholders, and be a driving force for making Winnipeg a compelling choice for business and tourism.

She also serves on the board of directors for Winpak Ltd. (a Winnipeg-based plastic-packaging pioneer), and previously served on the board of Manitoba Hydro. Prior to her work with EDW, Dayna was the chief strategy officer and general counsel of the Canadian Wheat Board (CWB) and was charged with leading a group of senior-level employees, financial advisors and lawyers in preparing the federally controlled entity for privatization. Additionally, her supplemental responsibilities during her 10-year tenure at the CWB involved facilitating government and stakeholder relations during a period of intense public scrutiny and debate. During this time, she also spearheaded all marketing and communications efforts at the CWB and served as its corporate secretary. Previous to this experience, she worked as an associate at Aikins, MacAulay & Thorvaldson LLP in the early 2000s.

As a passionate Winnipegger, she serves as the vice-chair of the Winnipeg Football Club's board of directors and is the first-ever woman to serve on the Canadian Football League's board of directors. One of her main accomplishments from this is having led the team that brought the Gold Medal Plates competition to Winnipeg.

Dayna has a Bachelor of Laws degree and BA in political science from the University of Manitoba. In 2015, Dayna participated in the Directors Education Program within the Rotman School of Management at the University of Toronto.



Mike Scatliff

Director

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Mike is the founder of Scatliff + Miller + Murray and a Fellow of the Canadian Society of Landscape Architects.

Based in Winnipeg, his entire professional practice has been devoted to promoting urban redevelopment, bolstered by his comprehensive understanding of both placemaking and economics.



Mike has worked in Canada, the U.S., Bermuda, and China. His strength is concept development and vision planning, setting the stage for new development and engaging local leaders in urban development ideas. In 2002, Mike, in collaboration with GBR Architects, won the 1st prize in Winnipeg's first International Ideas Competition. Mike is currently working on several large-scale urban development projects in the Metropolitan Regions, including Railside at The Forks, a 12-acre mixed use downtown infill project, Camp Manitou with the Winnipeg Jets True North Foundation, and the City of Selkirk land use plan.

Beyond consulting, Mike has been involved in the community and has sat on various city committees and non-profit boards. He was the Chair of the Construction Committee for the 1999 Pan Am Games and has been on the Board of Directors for the Winnipeg Winter Club, the Winnipeg Zoological Society, and the Fort Whyte Nature Center. He also served on the board for the Lake Winnipeg Foundation and is a past Chair of Economic Development Winnipeg, an economic development agency that aims to promote and influence economic growth in Winnipeg.

Christian Korell

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Christian purchased Barnes & Duncan, Western Canada's oldest Land Surveying firm, in 1998 and has managed its strategic growth in the industry since then. He has done this by taking a proactive approach by implementing relevant technologies and growing skilled staff through the acquisition of several other firms to meet the demands of the stringent market. Over the years, Barnes and Duncan have been able to maintain their traditions and values, while diversifying their services for an industry-wide focus to include Civil and Municipal Engineering and Geographic Information Systems (GIS). Noteworthy projects include the Manitoba Floodway, the construction of the West Dike, and the construction of Investor's Group Field Stadium.

One of the most important and challenging projects taken on was the GIS data collection project for Manitoba Hydro where close to a million hydro poles and streetlights were collected throughout all of Manitoba. Currently, the company is working on the East Side Road, and several bridge structures on the East Side of Lake Winnipeg, as well as the Bi-Pole III project for Manitoba Hydro.

In addition to being the owner and CEO of Barnes & Duncan, he is also the President and CEO of Clear Concepts Inc. since 2008. He received a degree from Red River College in Geomatics in 1992 and a BScE in Geodesy and Geomatics Engineering from the University of New Brunswick in 1996.

Ron Hambley

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Ron has been the president of the Winnipeg Construction Agency since 2000. Prior to this, Ron was the executive director of Manitoba Home Builders' Association (1996-2000), Executive Director of the Exchange District BIZ (1993-1996), and Community Development Coordinator of the West Interlake Community (1989-1993).

He received a BA in Environmental studies from the University of Winnipeg in 1984, a Master of Planning from the University of Manitoba in 1989, and a Certificate for Economic Development from University of Waterloo in 1993.



Colleen Sklar

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Colleen is the Executive Director of the Winnipeg Metropolitan Region where she works with local leaders across Manitoba in building opportunities for collaboration, creating new organizing principles and developing integrated regional responses in land use planning, infrastructure investment, economic development, water management and protection that can serve our growing communities and meet the demands of the future. Colleen also leads the Lake Friendly Initiative – a local government led engagement strategy aimed at protecting and preserving Manitoba’s freshwater resources.

After graduating from Red River College with a degree in Hotel and Restaurant Management and years in the hospitality industry, Colleen graduated from the University of Winnipeg in 2005 with a degree in Conflict Resolution and International Development where she was the recipient of the University of Winnipeg’s Gold Medal for Academic Achievement. Continuing in the Masters in Arts Program, Colleen focused her studies on addressing conflict in organizations and the development of new organizational structures.

Proficient in cross-cultural communication and consultation Colleen started her own consulting company Creative Resolutions in 2005 focusing on the development of organizations to achieve the maximum impact in our communities. Colleen is an IAP2 certified Community Consultant and a strong proponent of local level engagement; she works with NGO’s and Indigenous, provincial and local governments on a variety of projects aimed at building resilience to sustain prosperity long into the future.

Colleen served as the Vice-Chair on the Lake Manitoba Appeal Commission for the Province of Manitoba and currently serves as a Director on the Board of CentrePort Canada. Colleen received the Queen Elizabeth Diamond Jubilee Medal for her work and volunteer efforts.