

Biographies of Oregon Zoo Bond Citizens' Oversight Committee Members

Exhibit A to Resolution No. 19-5058

Oregon Zoo Bond Citizens' Oversight Committee

Committee Member Appointments

The following five persons served an initial term of two years from October 20, 2016 to October 20, 2018, and shall serve a second two-year term starting Oct. 20, 2018:

Dr. Dan Aja	Banfield Pet Hospital
Heidi Goertzen	Becker Capital Management
Dr. Jill Mellen	Research Biologist
Katherine Porras	Meyer Memorial Trust
Christine Taylor	Miller Nash Graham & Dunn

Biographies (in last-name alphabetical order)

Daniel Aja

Daniel Aja is the senior vice president and chief medical officer at Banfield Pet Hospital, where he leads internal and external medicine initiatives at the world's largest veterinary practice. Prior to joining Banfield in 2014, Dr. Aja served as director of U.S. professional and veterinary affairs at Hill's Pet Nutrition. Previously, he owned and directed the Cherry Bend Animal Hospital in Traverse City, Michigan. Dr. Aja earned his veterinary medical degree from the college of Veterinary Medicine at Michigan State University, and has more than 33 years of experience, credibility and commitment to delivering the highest quality of veterinary medicine. He is a past president of the American Animal Hospital Association and served on the Michigan State Board of Veterinary Medicine. He is also the founding board member of Partners for Healthy Pets, a committee of the American Veterinary Medical Foundation created to ensure pets receive the preventative health care they deserve.

Heidi Goertzen

Heidi Goertzen is a financial planner at Becker Capital Management providing comprehensive wealth management and financial planning to clients. She previously worked as a wealth advisor at Confluence Wealth Management doing financial planning and investment management for clients. Prior to that, she served as chief compliance officer for Ferguson Wellman Capital Management, overseeing all company compliance policies and procedures. Goertzen began her career at RVK, Inc. working with large institutional clients. She earned a B.S. in finance from Linfield College and holds an MBA with a concentration in finance from the University of Portland's Pamplin School of Business.

Jill Mellen

Jill Mellen is a research biologist whose areas of expertise include animals, animal welfare and enhancing guest experiences in informal learning settings such as zoos and aquariums. Dr. Mellen has worked in the zoo and aquarium field for more than three decades. Most recently she was the education and science director at Disney's Animal Kingdom, where she researched a range of topics from elephant welfare to inspiring children to conservation action. Within the Association and Zoos and Aquariums, Dr. Mellen has held many leadership positions. Her current projects include coordinating studies on marine animal

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welfare. Early in her career, Dr. Mellen worked at the Oregon Zoo, and has moved back to Portland after her retirement from the Disney Company.

Katherine A. Porras

Katherine A. Porras is an investment associate at Meyer Memorial Trust, responsible for monitoring and analyzing the foundation's investments, while researching environmental, social and governance factors on portfolio holdings to inform the alignment of the investment strategy to the organization's mission. Porras has experience working in finance, legal services, and performing arts. She earned an MBA with a focus in finance from Willamette University's Atkinson Graduate School of Management. She looks forward to contributing to the zoo, its staff and the Oregonian community at large.

Christine L. Taylor

Christine Taylor is an attorney with Miller Nash Graham & Dunn. In her practice, she works with public entities on matters including public contracting, construction contracting, and public meetings and records. In her spare time, she enjoys hiking with her dog and visiting the Oregon Zoo. She is also a huge polar bear fan!
