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**Children's Science Center Announces New Officers of the Board of Directors**

**DULLES, VA May 31, 2016**— Tanya La Force, Board Chair of the Children's Science Center, the non-profit organization that operates the Children's Science Center Lab and other community programs, announced the newly elected officers for the Board of Directors:

- Amy Burke, Chair (Chantilly, Virginia)
- Jill Corso McNabb, Vice Chair (Ashburn, Virginia)
- Corbin Neiberline, Treasurer (Annandale, Virginia)
- Angie Wong Secretary (Great Falls, Virginia)

"We have a talented and dedicated board. Our new officers will lead the organization in fulfilling our strategic goals and vision and are well positioned for continued growth and success," said La Force.

Amy Burke will serve as the new chair of the Children's Science Center Board of Directors. Burke succeeds La Force, who has served as chair since 2014. Burke previously held the roles of vice chair for the Board of Directors and chair for the STEM Advisory Council, and has been volunteering with the Children's Science Center for five years. Burke has extensive expertise with STEM education and research policy issues, and a decade of experience in the semiconductor industry. She is the president and founder of Spinovation LLC, a consultancy specializing in policy strategy and communications for corporations and trade association. Burke holds an MBA from the University of Virginia's Darden Graduate School of Business Administration and an undergraduate degree from Georgetown University.

"I am honored and excited to start my new role as Board Chair," said Burke. "I look forward to building upon the success we achieved during Tanya La Force's tenure, and thank her for her outstanding service. We have an excellent team in place for our next phase of growth, as we enhance the Lab and outreach programs, and proceed with plans for the full-scale museum at Kincora in Dulles, Virginia."

Jill Corso McNabb succeeds Amy Burke as Vice Chair. McNabb has volunteered with the Children's Science Center as marketing chair for seven years, and was instrumental in the marketing launch and branding of the Children's Science Center Lab which opened last June. McNabb is a principle in RxEngage Partners and provides marketing and strategy expertise to multiple companies. McNabb holds an MBA and BA from the University of Virginia.

Corbin Neiberline is a new board member and will serve as treasurer. Neiberline, a Children's Science Center volunteer for over six years, is an audit managing director in KPMG's Washington DC audit practice. He has more than 16 years of experience providing financial statement audit and performance improvement advisory services. He is a frequent presenter, and an instructor for the Association of Government Accountants. He graduated with a B.S. from the University of Maryland, College Park. Heather Flanagan, also of KPMG, will step down after generously serving as Board Treasurer for seven years.

Angie Wong will continue serving as secretary. As an entrepreneur, Wong founded Noodle Doodle, LLC in 2004, which provided creative and educational visual art program for children ages 2 to 12. Angie has been a volunteer with the Children's Science Center for three years and also serves on the Lab Steering Committee responsible for coordinating and overseeing exhibit developments. Wong holds an Economics degree from the University of Calgary.

**About the Children's Science Center:**

The Children's Science Center's mission is to instill a love of learning science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) in all children by providing unique opportunities to explore, create and be inspired. The Children's Science Center Lab is located at Fair Oaks Mall and is Northern Virginia's first interactive museum where children, families and school groups can explore STEM concepts through fun, engaging hands-on exhibits, activities and programs. In addition to the Lab and community programs, the Center is working to fulfill the vision of a full-scale, world-class children's science museum to be located in Dulles, VA. The Children's Science Center is a 501 (c)(3) non-profit organization. Learn more at [www.childsci.org](http://www.childsci.org).

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