

# DIRECTORS DIALOGUE: MAINTAINING YOUR BOARD'S RELEVANCE – GOVERNANCE ISSUES AND BEST PRACTICES.

Institute of Corporate Directors, Ontario Chapter – West GTA Region Afternoon Session – October 26, 2017

Governance challenges vary according to where a Board is in its development. Challenges facing a start-up Board differ from those faced by a well-performing Board needing to grow in capability to handle increasing oversight complexity. And a dysfunctional Board has a different set of challenges in recovering its governance relevance.

This session explores governance challenges and best practices for a Board to develop, maintain or recover its relevance. Topics discussed will include:

- How to get a start-up Board up to speed
- How to maintain Board effectiveness.
- When and how to re-new a Board

This session will be of particular interest to directors and CEOs of organizations in the NFP and SME sectors.

#### **PANELISTS**

Hari Panday, FCPA FCGA ICD.D. – Board Chair, Pro-Demnity Insurance Co.; Chair, Audit and Vice-Chair, Investment Committees, Tarion Warranty Corporation. President and CEO, PanVest Capital Corporation. Lecturer, Governance, York University. Previously, founding President and CEO ICICI Bank Canada, and board member ICICI Bank Canada, Avalon Advanced Materials Inc. and Canadian Securities Exchange.

**Karen Basian, CPA. MBA.** – Board director, HR and Comp Committee Chair, goeasy; Board director, Audit Committee Chair, BookJane; Managing Director Newtopia Inc; former Board member Stonehouse Building Products. Previously, CFO and SVP Operations 724 Solutions (SVNX; NASDAQ) Chief Strategy and Innovation Officer McCain Foods and CFO, Chief Strategy Officer Frito Lay.

**Lea Ray, ICD.D, CPA.** – Board Vice Chair, Tarion Warranty Corporation; Chair Audit Committee – Street Capital Group Inc. and WSIB (Ontario); Previously, Finance Committee chair, Rouge Valley Health System; past board member of several other non-profit institutions.

**Lesley Gallinger, C.Dir., CPA, CMA, CPA (Illinois), MBA, A.C.C.** – Vice President, Corporate Services and CFO, Electrical Safety Authority. Chair, Plexxus Pension Committee. Board member, Municipal Property Assessment Corp and Hamilton Utilities Corporation. Chair, Audit Committee, Dillon Consulting. Chair Audit Committee Nuclear Waste Management Organization. Previously Chair, Audit Committee, WaterTAP Ontario.

## **MODERATOR**

**Don McCreesh, C.Dir., MBA, BA.** – President, The Garnet Group Inc.; Director of StarTech.com; Founder & Chair of Imagine Canada's National Standards Council; past Chair Educator's Financial Inc.; former Director Oakville Hydro; and former Chair/lead director of publicly traded companies – Brainhunter and Rand A Technology.

After the session, please join us for cocktails, hors d'oeuvres and an opportunity to network with your friends and colleagues

#### DATE

October 26, 2017

#### TIME

Registration: 3:30p.m.
Session: 4:00p.m. – 5:30p.m.
Networking Session:

5:30p.m. – 6:30p.m.

### **LOCATION**

Credit Valley Golf Club 2500 Old Carriage Road Mississauga, Ontario L5C 1Y7

#### COST

Members: \$50.00 Non-Members: \$70.00

#### REGISTRATION

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