

WELCONNECTED

WOMEN EXECUTIVE LEADERSHIP | QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER

OCTOBER 2023

Leadership is about making others better as a result of your presence, and making sure that impact lasts in your absence.”

- Sheryl Sandberg (Board Member and Advocate for Women Leaders)

Please join me in giving our shiny new newsletter a warm WELcome!

This newsletter will issue quarterly and is designed to provide a quick-yet-powerful update on progress against our mission (“Here’s To Progress”), on our upcoming events (“Event Spotlight”), and to congratulate milestones for members and our community (“WEL Deserved Applause”).

Grateful for our amazing members, partners & sponsors who support our journey.

We hope you enjoy staying “WELCONNECTED”!



-Christine Arnholt, WEL Board Director, Chair of Marketing Committee



VISION: TO ACHIEVE GENDER PARITY IN THE EXECUTIVE SUITE AND THE BOARDROOM.

FROM OUR PRESIDENT

-Katherine Young, WEL Board President



On behalf of the WEL Board of Directors, we're thrilled to announce our official partnership with Florida Women On Boards (FWOB)! This initiative is a collaboration bringing 4 preeminent organizations together—**50/50 Women on Boards**, the **International Women's Forums in Florida (IWF)**, the Florida Chapters of **Women Corporate Directors (WCD)** and your very own **Women Executive Leadership (WEL)**--to work collaboratively to promote the inclusion of women on public corporate boards in Florida and to monitor the status of women on these boards. Our collective mission is three-fold:

- To increase the number of women on the boards of the Russell 3000 companies in Florida
- To encourage all boards to become gender-balanced
- To connect qualified female board candidates to open board opportunities.

We'll be sure to keep you apprised of our progress!

HERE'S TO PROGRESS!

WOMEN ON BOARDS UPDATE

THE GOOD: **216** POWERFUL WOMEN WERE ADDED TO CORPORATE BOARDS!

THE BAD: THIS **1%** REPRESENTS THE SMALLEST GAIN IN OVER 5 YEARS!

Click [here](#) for *our take* on the facts and the opportunities!

SOURCE: 5050 REPORT, 2022 TO 2023



Join us in congratulating our Diamond Member, Teresa Foxx, on her appointment to the Bci Securities Board of Directors! With her expertise in regulatory compliance and deep business knowledge, she's set to make significant contributions as a Board Director.

EVENT SPOTLIGHT

RAVE REVIEWS! Successful September 12th Event!

“Paving Your Path to the Boardroom - The 3 Steps You Can Take Toward Your Path to The Boardroom”

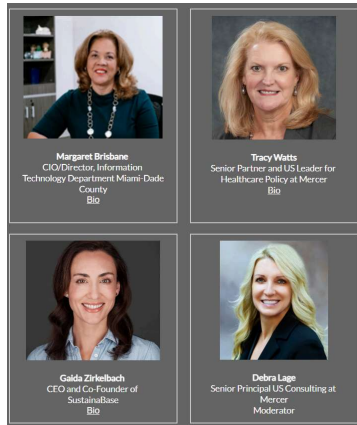


On September 12th, we hosted a captivating luncheon in Tampa featuring a thought-provoking Board Director discussion panel comprised of Carmen Bauza, Corrine Ricard, Artemis Emslie, and our moderator, Nancy Callahan. The dialogue centered on three actionable steps for advancing your journey to the Boardroom. Our attendees, both members and guests, left the event inspired and driven. We extend our heartfelt gratitude once more to our esteemed panelists, moderator, and the attendees who contributed to the success of this event.

Testimonial from **Jan Gorrie**, Managing Partner at Ballard Partners:

“What an impressive and diverse group of women! Women have figured out how to engage in non-profit boards, making the leap to the private sector is another matter. Each of the panelists and the moderator shared their unique paths to land and keep their seats at the table.”

Powerful Upcoming Events and Programs



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10/18/2023
12PM - 1:00PM
Virtual Event

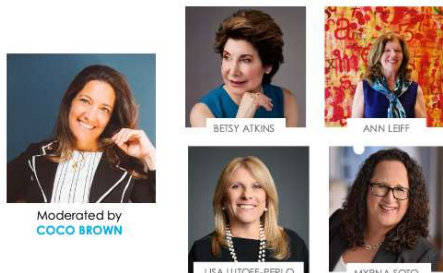
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FLORIDA WOMEN ON BOARDS SHAPING TOMORROW: THE FUTURE OF WOMEN IN THE BOARDROOM 2ND ANNUAL REPORT ON WOMEN ON CORPORATE BOARDS

11/09/2023
5:30PM - 8:30PM
Miami Dade College Wolfson Campus/

SAVE THE DATE



WEL SIGNATURE EVENT "EVENING WITH THE LEGENDS"

11/16/2023
5:30PM - 8:00PM
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**12/06/2023
5:30PM - 7:30PM
South Florida**

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