

New Chair and Vice-Chair appointed to King's Board of Directors

The King's University College Board of Directors has appointed a new Chair and Vice Chair, effective July 1, 2021. Dr. Nonie Brennan, the former Vice-Chair, takes on the role of the Chair of the Board, succeeding Kapil Lakhotia, BA '02 (Economics), while Kenneth Deane assumes the role of Vice-Chair. Both have been appointed for one-year terms.

Dr. Brennan holds a Doctor of Business Administration from Case Western Reserve University in Cleveland, an M.S. in Public Service from DePaul University in Chicago and a B.A. in English and History from King's. She received the Alumni of Distinction Award from King's in 2015, and an Honorary Doctor of Laws from Western University in 2017.

"I feel very proud to step into the role of Chair. I'm passionate about the value of a good liberal arts education and the importance of the role social justice plays in our lives and our communities. These are two values that Kings excels at," says Dr. Brennan.

Deane is a retired health care executive who held senior leadership positions in a number of hospitals including academic health sciences centres and community hospitals in London and southwestern Ontario. He is a Chartered Professional Accountant (CPA) and holds an MBA from the Schulich School of Business, York University. He currently also serves on the finance committee for the Diocese of London.

The King's Board of Directors bring experience from education, social services and not-for-profits, business, finance, governance, economic and community development, law, health care, and religious studies.

The board welcomes these new directors as of July 1, 2023:

- Sara De Candido, Director of Innovation and Business Development, London Health Sciences Centre
- Randolph Mank, former Canadian ambassador to Indonesia, Pakistan and Malaysia
- Jean-Pierre Morris, Chief Operating Officer, HSBC Private Investment Counsel (Canada).
- Houssam (Sam) Mourad, CPA, CGMA, CITP
- Michaela Therrien '18, Urban Planner and Data & Outcomes Manager, City of Detroit

The following members have been elected as internal directors; their board terms also begin on July 1:

- Dr. Carolyn Chau, Associate Professor, Department of Religious Studies
- Laura Crowe, King's University College Students' Council President
- Amna Wasty, Manager, King's International

At the same time the board welcomes new directors, they say goodbye to retiring directors. "I would like to give a heartfelt thank you to Kapil Lakhotia, retiring Chair of the Board, for his exceptional leadership over the past two years," says Dr. Brennan.

King's thanks Lakhotia and the other retiring directors for their service:

- Dr. Andrea Lawlor
- Christie MacDonald
- Roshaydia Morgan '23
- Hassan Mostafa
- Tara Santagapita

Learn more about King's new Board of Directors on our [Governance page](#).

King's is a public Catholic University College that provides general and honours degree programs in the liberal arts, social sciences, management, and a master's degree in social work. Institutionally autonomous, King's is academically affiliated with Western University, and King's graduates receive a Western University degree. King's is open to students of all faith backgrounds, with its community centered on the values of social justice, equality and the education of the whole person.

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