



Board of Directors

2020–2021 Slate





KRISTINE STEUART - BC Tech Board Chair

Chief Executive Officer | Allocadia

Kristine Steuart and her twin sister Katherine Berry co-founded Allocadia in 2010 after experiencing first-hand the difficulty in gaining insights into marketing investments and measuring performance. Kristine has led Allocadia from a bootstrapped start up to a global organization with hundreds of enterprise customers. Kristine was named among the Top 40 Under 40 by Business in Vancouver and the Top 10 Women in Tech to Watch in 2015 by Inc.



CAMERON BURKE - BC Tech Board Treasurer

Managing Director, Deals & Tech | PwC Canada

Cameron is a Managing Director in Deals and is also a national tech sector leader at PwC Canada, based out of the Vancouver office. Cameron is a Senior Business Leader and is an entrepreneur with over 15 years' experience scaling businesses from concept to exit. He has built and led many teams in sales, marketing, channel, business and corporate development, and digital transformation in the tech sector. Cameron has demonstrated a strong track record in building brands, culture, and accelerating growth within technology and innovation based companies. He is known for excelling in creating, implementing, and executing digital transformations.



JAMES HATTON - BC Tech Board Secretary

Partner | Farris LLP

James Hatton is a partner at FARRIS, LLP who assists companies to exploit the value of their intellectual property assets. James is a director of BC Hydro and Powerex, technology companies such as STEMCELL Technologies and Aspect Biosystems, and not-for profits such as LifeSciences BC and The Forum for Women Entrepreneurs. James is a former member of the Governing Council of the National Research Council of Canada, the Board of Governors of Royal Roads University, The Greater Vancouver Food Bank Society and Central City Foundation.



CHRISTY WYATT

President & Chief Executive Officer | Absolute

Christy Wyatt is President and CEO of Absolute, a leader in Endpoint Resilience solutions and the only endpoint provider embedded in 500+ million devices globally. She was recently named one of Canada's Top 5 CEOs by The Globe and Mail in 2020. Originally from BC, and a Silicon Valley veteran, Christy has deep experience spanning cybersecurity, mobility, IoT, enterprise software, and data science. She has served as Chairman, President, and CEO of Good Technology, CEO of Dtex Systems, and has held leadership roles at Apple, and Motorola. She currently serves on the board of directors of Silicon Labs and Quotient Technologies.



JESSE DOUGHERTY

Vice President, AWS | Amazon Vancouver

Jesse Dougherty is Vice President and Vancouver Site Lead, where he leads Amazon Web Services (AWS) Messaging and application integration. He has over 20 years' experience as a software engineer working on projects such as productivity software, collaboration, development frameworks, security technologies, and cloud services. Originally from Vancouver, he previously spent nine years working at Microsoft in Washington, before returning to his hometown in 2013 to lead the growth of Amazon's Vancouver office. Jesse is passionate about bringing global opportunities to Vancouver and retaining and developing the best and brightest talent.



DAN BOX

Vice President, Strategic Growth | EA Sports

A Senior Executive in entertainment focussed on driving strategic growth of video games in the sports category, Dan believes strongly that the worlds of sport and video games are converging rapidly, and growth will come from leveraging advancements in technology to deliver the next generation of interactive sports experiences. Before EA, Dan was the founder of his own technology firm for 12 years in London, after working in a leadership position for Rolls-Royce. Dan is from Australia, where he led multiple web development companies, with clients including the International Olympic Company, Coca-Cola, Dell, Pizza Hut and Fox Studios.



DAVE CUMMINGS

Executive Vice President & Chief Digital Officer | Finning Digital

Within Finning, Dave leads the global digital and technology functions, including the teams working on technology performance solutions, information systems, and operations excellence. He is also an independent director and currently serves on the board of the Canadian TSX listed Company ATS Automation. Dave is passionate about the possibilities of technology. His focus is bridging technology and the talent that creates it, with the opportunities within traditional business models. Originally from England, Dave has spent the bulk of his career in the energy industry and over the past three decades has had the opportunity to work on numerous international assignments. Dave was educated in the UK where he earned his MBA in business management and a Bachelor of Science.



PAMELA SAUNDERS

Public Relations & Social Impact | Microsoft Vancouver

Pamela Saunders has built a varied career as a skilled storyteller. Working across industries, she has represented local innovators (Science World, Future Shop, BCIT) and global leaders (3M, Coca Cola, Nabob) in the creation of purposeful brand moments. In the last five years, Pamela has shaped Microsoft's investment in British Columbia. Through the creation of collaborative partnerships and social impact programs, she is focused on digital transformation and the positioning of BC's tech ecosystem as a world leader. Pamela is an active member of the Cascadia Innovation Corridor initiative and advisor on Microsoft projects within the Digital Technology Supercluster.



KATE WRIGHT

Vice President, Head of Augmented BI SAP HANA & Analytics | SAP

As head of Augmented BI in the SAP HANA & Analytics organization Kate is responsible for the entire Cloud and On-Premise BI & Advanced Analytics portfolio including Product Management. Kate is a highly experienced product and development executive, with over 15 years of experience at SAP and Business Objects. She graduated from the University of Victoria with a Bachelor of Science (B.S.) in Mathematics and Computer Science.



HELEN SHERIDAN

Senior Vice President, Human Resources | STEMCELL Technologies

Helen Sheridan is Senior Vice President of Human Resources at STEMCELL Technologies, Canada's largest life sciences company. She has previously held senior leadership roles in several BC technology companies. Known for her ability to build vibrant organizational cultures capable of generating exceptional business results, Helen is a creative, values-based, community-centred, and entrepreneurial leader. She holds an undergraduate degree in Political Science and a Masters in Organizational Systems.



RICH OSBORN

Managing Partner | TELUS Ventures

Rich leads the TELUS Ventures team to source, structure and optimize investments of strategic importance to TELUS. TELUS Ventures has been Canada's most active corporate venture capital fund over the last 5 years and Rich was named one of the Top 100 Corporate Venture Capital Investors in the world by Global VC Magazine in 2017. His board responsibilities include Continuum, Fortius, Moj.io, Right Health, ScaleUP Ventures, Vision Critical and ZenEdge (Sold to Oracle in 2018). Rich earned degrees at UBC and Queen's University and has completed Executive Leadership courses at Harvard.



KIRSTEN SUTTON

Chief Technology and Information Officer | Vancity

From a professionally trained chef, Kirsten Sutton navigated a significant career pivot to become one of Vancouver's most celebrated tech execs. As Chief Technology and Information Officer at Vancity, Kirsten oversees all of Vancity's technology operations as well as drives the organization's digital strategy linking technology, members and community. Before her appointment at Vancity, Kirsten spent 25 years at SAP across a variety of roles, most recently as Managing Director for SAP Labs Canada, the 3000-strong development organization across the country. Kirsten was recognized in 2018 as one of Business in Vancouver's Influential Women in Business and a 2018 YWCA Woman of Distinction.