



**2012 Board of Director Candidate Bios
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Christy Cunningham-Saylor - LEED AP BD+C

Since being elected to the USGBC-Missouri Gateway Chapter Board of Directors last year, I've enjoyed the overall responsibilities of the position more than I ever thought I would. After being involved in various capacities over the years with the Chapter, I feel that my dedication to the mission is evident and my past experience can help to shape the future. Every attempt is made on my part to attend Chapter programs, events and meetings and be a team player when it comes to accepting volunteer tasks needed for the Chapter to continue to thrive.

Connecting people, companies and other organizations with the Chapter is a passion of mine. Making these associations only strengthens our resources within the community and allows us to maximize our potential. In my opinion, if we invest in others, our returns are increased. I believe working with others is essential and differences can unite not divide, particularly if green buildings are for everyone!

All Chapter members should be advocates and educators when it comes to sustainability and best practices in the built environment but especially the Leadership Circle and Board of Directors. Leaders have to be truthful to the cause and constantly engaged for their message to resonate and have meaning. Personally and professionally, I strive to adhere to higher standards and encourage others around me to do so as well.

After being involved in the Chapter since 2006, I hope that my long-term commitment is apparent and I'd be happy to continue to serve for yet another term in order to perpetuate the mission and vision of the Chapter.

Christy has served as an Environmental Specialist for Vertegy, An Alberici Enterprise since December 2005. She is a graduate of Oklahoma City University with a background in biology and currently pursuing a graduate degree in environmental education. Christy currently serves on the Chapter's Program Committee, Leadership Circle and Board of Directors.

Jaime Kelley - LEED AP BD+C

Professionally, Jaime has been in leadership positions with St. Louis organizations with a specific emphasis on the successful promotion and development of green building facilities and systems. Jaime is trained as an Environmental Engineer and in dealing with site environmental issues and would have much to offer to other members in regards to technical resources. Personally, Jaime thinks and acts in an environmentally responsible manner in all aspects of her life. She looks forward to bringing a new and fresh perspective to the Chapter on means to increase membership and sponsorship opportunities as well as the number of LEED certified buildings in the region.

Jaime has exhibited leadership in past within the Chapter as a member of the Program Committee. She served on the 2004 and 2005 conference steering committees for Greening the Heartland, a regional green building conference hosted by a different Midwestern USGBC Chapter every year. Jaime currently teaches the Chapter's LEED Green Associate Exam Prep Course and is assisting the Mid-Missouri branch with their education efforts.

Jaime is an Environmental Engineer and Planner who has directed the sustainable initiatives at BJC HealthCare, one of the nation's largest non-profit healthcare organizations. She has an MS in Environmental Engineering/Urban Planning & Policy from Tufts University.

Nancy Rodney - AIA, LEED AP BD+C

Nancy brings a deep good background in leadership and feels strongly that supporting growth of those around her is critical to continued success and growth of the organization. With proven experience in organizational leadership and change, Nancy is also committed to the mission and vision of USGBC-Missouri Gateway and looks forward to assisting in the transition to our new awareness of the organization as a 501(c)3 charity.

Nancy is a critical thinker and always willing to ask the hard questions. Her extensive architectural experience offers a firm foundation supporting her passion for Senior Living environments. She serves as an expert in residential and long term care for seniors, where her solid understanding of regulatory and financing issues has contributed to the success of her projects and her clients. Her interest spans any project type where Seniors interact with their built environment.

Nancy serves the Senior Living focus for Rosemann & Associates in Kansas City and St Louis, providing business development expertise and continuity in the Long Term Care market. She acts as a resource to the firm and its clients in expanding choice under regulatory and budget restrictions. Rosemann's history of Housing Design - including Low Income and Historic Tax Credit Work, underpins her efforts to make Senior Living more responsive to market pressures and Seniors' desire for Home.

Nancy and Rosemann Associates recently achieved Gold Certification for Fort Leonard Wood's Phase III of their Permanent Party Barracks apartment style living quarter for enlisted personnel. Nancy is working on several other LEED projects as well as two senior affordable living projects certifying under the Enterprise Green Communities system.

Nancy currently serves as the Chapter's Advocacy Committee Chair. She also chaired the Chapter's inaugural Growing Green Awards. Additionally, she is involved in the Missouri Growth Association, CREW St. Louis, Executive Women's Golf Association, National and Missouri Skeet Shooting Associations and the Spirit of St. Louis Women's Fund.

Cristina Spicer - LEED AP

As a practicing attorney, I often serve in a leadership role on various projects - counseling clients on all aspects of the legal issue or project with which I am assisting. In this position and because of the intricacies and complexities of the law, I must communicate, educate and assess with our clients the legal situation at hand and represent and advocate for the client's best interests. As a result, my professional experiences have allowed me to develop strong communication and interpersonal skills. As an attorney in a large law firm, I have had significant exposure to large complex multi-state projects which have further allowed me to develop my leadership skills, all while addressing complex legal issues with large transaction costs and aggressive schedules. At Greensfelder, I co-founded and currently co-chair the firm's sustainability committee and have been actively involved in making our firm more sustainable and a better place to work. Based on my professional and personal experiences, my strong work ethic and my commitment to our community, I strongly believe I would bring a different perspective to and be an important asset to the Board.

I am an attorney in the Real Estate Practice Group with the law firm of Greensfelder, Hemker & Gale, P.C. As a real estate attorney, I represent clients in a wide variety of real estate and other transactional matters, including acquisitions and dispositions, development leasing, zoning and land use. While I am licensed to practice law in Missouri and Illinois, my real estate practice and projects I have been involved with have spanned across the entire country and as a result have given me a unique perspective about real estate developments across our nation. I have been a member of the U.S. Green Building Council Missouri Gateway Chapter since 2007 and have since been actively involved in various committees. Specifically, I have been involved in the Growing Green Awards Committee since 2009 (which I chaired in 2010), in the Speaker's Bureau (since 2009) and the Government Advocacy Subcommittee (since 2009). I was one of the first attorneys in the State of Missouri to become a LEED Accredited Professional (AP). I would be honored to serve on the Board.

Jay Swoboda

Having served as the Green Homes Committee Chair since 2008, Jay is ready to apply his energy to supporting the mission of the organization with innovative marketing, non-profit management and fundraising experience (What's Up Magazine), and an expertise in residential green building and LEED for Homes certification.

Jay is Founder & Project Manager of EcoUrban and has worked on the development of affordable green certified modular homes and communities since 2005. Swoboda has been involved with housing and homeless issues for the past eight years with various organizations and looks forward to bringing green housing technologies to housing for the poor and at-risk around the world. A 2002 graduate of Washington University in St. Louis he lives in St. Louis, Missouri.