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Los Rios Foundation Elects Bray, Steuer and Winje to Board

SACRAMENTO -- The Los Rios Foundation has elected Stephanie R. McLemore Bray of United Way California Capital Region, Katherine Steuer of Aerojet Rocketdyne and Erik Winje of DPR Construction as the three newest members of its volunteer board of directors.

“We are very excited to have Kathy, Stephanie and Erik join the Board,” said Board Chair Jean Foster. “Talk about talent and leadership skills! Their commitment to the Los Rios Community College District, its students and the Sacramento Region will allow our board to continue to create strong, fruitful relationships throughout the community.” The Los Rios Foundation’s mission is to invest in the students of the Los Rios Community College District to help them succeed and reach their educational goals.

Bray is the president and CEO of United Way California Capital Region. Prior to her work at United Way, she served as executive director of the San Francisco General Hospital Foundation. She also served as assistant dean for health sciences advancement at UC Davis Health System, overseeing fundraising for the School of Medicine, the Medical Center, the Betty Irene Moore School of Nursing and several other centers of medical excellence on UC Davis’ Sacramento campus. Bray has more than 25 years of experience in the non-profit sector, having served local, regional and national organizations and institutions, including leadership positions with the American Cancer Society, UNCF/The College Fund, Learning Ally and the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey.

Bray is a graduate of Douglass College, Rutgers, the State University of New Jersey, and was a participant in Harvard Business School’s Strategic Perspectives in Nonprofit Management in July 2012. She and her husband, Larnie Bray, have two daughters—Shelby, 17, an incoming first-year student at American River College, and Lauryn, 14.

Steuer is an executive director in Aerojet Rocketdyne's Supply Chain and Material Management organization. In her current position, she supports all material needs for the Defense Advanced Programs business unit. She has a 32-year career with Aerojet Rocketdyne supporting development and production programs in technology, program management, business development, strategy and operations.

Steuer earned a bachelor's degree in biology and an executive MBA degree from Sacramento State. She has also served as an advisory board member for the engineering department at Chico State University.

Winje is a key member of DPR Construction's national higher education group, which tracks trends, technology and new business opportunities in the education sector. He is a 37-year veteran of the construction industry, with an emphasis on higher education facilities. Using the foundation of DPR Construction's collaborative culture, shared leadership and ever-forward thinking, Winje shares his expertise through national and local speaking forums that include: the Society for College and University Planning, Community College Facilities Coalition, American Institute of Architects and the Design-Build Institute of America.

A native of Sacramento, Winje actively supports the community with his involvement in organizations such as Rebuilding Together, Junior Achievement and the Roberts Family Development Center. A former marathon runner, he often participates in local charity runs.

Winje holds a bachelor's degree in civil engineering from the University of California, Davis, and is a licensed professional engineer. He is an active member of the Design-Build Institute of America, the United States Green Building Council and the Lean Construction Institute.

Beverly "Babs" Sandeen, Los Rios' vice chancellor for resource and economic development and president of the Los Rios Foundation, said, "I am pleased to welcome these three recognized local leaders to our board. Their dedication to the community and their belief in the community college system and its impact on our regional prosperity will benefit us for years to come."

ABOUT LOS RIOS

The Los Rios Community College District is one of the nation's most respected learning institutions and the second-largest community college district in California, serving the greater Sacramento region. Los Rios includes: American River, Cosumnes River, Folsom Lake and Sacramento City colleges; six major education and outreach centers; and specialized workforce and economic development programs for regional businesses, governments and organizations. Los Rios colleges offer AA/AS degrees, certificates and transfer-education opportunities in more than 70 career fields. The District's 2,400-square mile service area includes all of Sacramento County, most of El Dorado County and parts of Yolo, Placer and Solano counties. About 77,000 students are enrolled in the four Los Rios colleges. For more information, go to www.losrios.edu.

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