



CITY AND COUNTY OF DENVER

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Michael B. Hancock
Mayor

To: Mayor Michael B. Hancock
From: Romaine Pacheco, Director
Date: May 18, 2022

BOARD: Prosperity Denver Fund

POC: Matt Jordan

BACKGROUND:

Members – 7 (six appt'd by Mayor)(one CC)
Terms - 3 Years
Confirmation – Yes

In 2018, Denver voters passed Initiated Ordinance 300 to create the Denver College Success Corporation (DCSC), the nonprofit that will be responsible for administration of the Denver College Affordability Fund.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

Angela Cobian, Denver (F) (Two or More Races) to serve as an individual with experience in higher education or student success services with a preference for first generation college graduates or individuals working with first generation students in higher education for a term expiring May 1, 2025, reappointed;

Stephen Kurtz, Englewood (M)(C) to serve as an individual with financial or accounting expertise for a term expiring May 1, 2025, reappointed.

ACTION REQUIRED:

☒ Reappoint Cobian and Kurtz

☐ Provide additional candidates for consideration

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DOB		Hispanic or Latino origin or Descent?	Yes
SSN		Race/Ethnicity	Two or more races
Gender	Female	Other Ethnicity	
Other Gender		Salutation	Ms.

Board Information

Board Name	Prosperity Denver Fund	Other boards or commissions served	Denver Early Childhood Council
Status	New	Resigned	
Term Start Date			
Term End Date			

Work Information

Employer	Planned Parenthood Federation of America and Action Fund	Work Address	1110 Vermont Ave NW
Position	Director of Coalition Advocacy	Work City	Washington D.C.
Business Phone #	7207956192	Work State	DC
Work Email	angela.cobian@ppfa.org	Work Zip	20005

Additional Information

Are you a registered voter?	Yes	Objection to appointment?	No
If so, what county?	Denver	Special Information	
Denver City Council District No	3		

Education and General Qualifications

Name of High School	Englewood High School	Name of Graduate School	University of Colorado-Denver
Location of High School	Englewood, Colorado	Location of Graduate School	Denver, CO
# of Years Attended High school	4	# of Years Attended Graduate School	2

Did you Graduate
High School Yes

Did you Graduate Yes

Graduate Major Curriculum and Instruction

Name of College The Colorado College

Location of College Colorado Springs, CO

of Years Attended
College 4

Did you Graduate
College Yes

Undergrad Major Political Science

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Work Experience

Planned Parenthood Federation of America and Action Fund
Director of Coalition Advocacy

Dec.2020-Present

- Direct the We Demand More Coalition working on federal advocacy for COVID relief and recovery, resulting in a successful passage of the American Rescue Plan Act, free of abortion bans
- Created national engagement strategy to increase COVID-19 vaccine confidence among women and people who can become pregnant among coalition partners in a Week of Action
- Manage vendors in all federal advocacy campaigns in the production of digital organizing assets and strategy
- Establish the National Mobilization and Organization Table for federal abortion access crisis campaign
- Represent PPFA 's interests, resources, and capacity in federal coalition spaces

Leadership for Educational Equity (LEE)

Director of National Organizing and Development

June 2019-Dec. 2020

- Develop and review curriculum and instruction for national organizing programs across 20 regions
 - Redesigned scope and sequence and aligned knowledge, skills, mindsets, and behaviors (KSMBs) for national organizing trainings from novice to advanced
 - Redesigned Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) theory, curriculum, & practices to highest-ever rated sessions
 - Lead facilitator at national trainings and programs: National Organizing Workshop, Ready to Run, Latino Public Leadership Program, People of Color Political Leadership Program
- Establish vision and implemented national strategies for volunteer-led organizing groups to ensure policy-change wins in public education and create aligned logic models to evaluate impact
- Coach, support, and consult regional staff across in organizing strategy and tactics and launch new regions

Director of Organizing Strategy-Denver and Memphis

June 2016-June 2019

- Develop community-led boards of teachers, education professionals, parents, & advocates to launch organizing groups in Denver and Memphis
- Coach community-led boards in civic leadership development (political analysis & policy research)
- Manage six issue-campaigns in Denver and Memphis: Immigration, Civil Rights for English Language Learner (ELL students), School-to-prison-pipeline, & School Finance
- Successfully coached organizing team in first-ever policy-win to translate report cards in Spanish for 10,000 students in Shelby County Schools for 2019-2020 school year

Together Colorado, Faith in Action (formerly PICO) Network, Denver, CO
Bilingual Community Organizer

Sept. 2014-June 2016

- Organized parents and parishioners across Denver on transportation-access, drivers licenses for people who are undocumented, and improving police & community relations
- Coordinated design and implementation of statewide organizing efforts that reached 500 parishioners
- Acted as Legislative Coordinator, developing communications, literature, and trainings for leaders and staff

Fulbright Program-Comisión México-Estados Unidos Mexico City, Mexico
Fulbright Scholar

May 2013-Aug. 2014

- Created and taught research and public speaking course for Mexican docents at *Universidad Pedagogica Nacional*
- Planned and coordinated an international conference on multiculturalism and education
- Designed a framework and aligned professional development for student-led social change initiatives with the NGO *Enseña Por Mexico*. Trained inaugural cohort of 80 Mexican teachers to implement program

Cole Arts and Sciences, Academy, Denver Public Schools
2nd and 3rd grade English Language Acquisition-Spanish (ELA-S) Teacher

Aug. 2011-May 2013

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Elected Leadership

Denver Public Schools Board of Education, Denver, CO
Treasurer and Director

Nov. 2017-Nov. 2021

- Elected to represent southwest Denver, including a portfolio of 50+ public schools and 31,000+ students
- Chair of Finance and Audit Committee and established first-ever Budget Advisory Committee of 1.2 B enterprise
- Supervise and support Superintendent of Denver Public Schools
- Policy Governance Wins: policy-revision for the School Performance Compact (SPC) to include greater school improvement options, secured traffic-safety upgrades on Alameda corridor in partnership with Denver City Council President, increase minimum wage, issued policy recommendations to the revision of Denver Police Department's Curfew Policy alongside student leaders

Education

Georgetown University, Edonomics Lab
Certificate in Education Finance

Feb. 2020

University of Colorado-Denver, Denver, CO
Masters, Curriculum and Instruction
Concentration: Linguistically Diverse Education

May 2013

The Colorado College, Colorado Springs, CO
Bachelor of Arts, Political Science
Minor: Spanish
Pi Gamma Mu Honor Society

May 2011

Foreign Language Skills

Native Language Fluency-Spanish (reading, writing, speaking)

Volunteer Commitments

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| • Board Member, <u>Barton Institute for Community Action</u> | Present |
| • Board Member, <u>Bell Policy Center</u> | Present |
| • Board Member, <u>RE:Vision</u> | Present |
| • Board Secretary, <u>Denver Prosperity Fund</u> | Present |

Select Honors and Fellowships

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| • Lena L. Archuleta Community Service Award, Denver Public Library | 2020 |
| • The Swanee Hunt Emerging Leader Award, Denver Foundation | 2017 |
| • Capstone Core Value All-Star Award, Education Pioneers | 2014 |
| • Fred Sondermann Award in Political Science, The Colorado College | 2011 |
| • Trustee, The Colorado College | 2011 |

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DOB		Hispanic or Latino origin or Descant?	No
SSN		Race/Ethnicity	Caucasian
Gender	Male	Other Ethnicity	
Other Gender		Salutation	Mr.

Board Information

Board Name	Prosperity Denver Fund	Other boards or commissions served	
Status	New	Resigned	
Term Start Date			
Term End Date			

Work Information

Employer	MuscleSound, Inc.	Work Address	6355 East Tufts Avenue
Position	CEO	Work City	Englewood
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Additional Information

Are you a registered voter?	Yes	Objection to appointment?	No
If so, what county?	Arapahoe	Special Information	
Denver City Council District No	N/A		

Education and General Qualifications

Name of High School	George Washington HS	Name of Graduate School	
Location of High School	Denver, Colorado	Location of Graduate School	
# of Years Attended High school	3	# of Years Attended Graduate School	
Did you Graduate	Yes	Did you Graduate	

High School

Graduate Major

Name of College Babson College
 Location of College Wellesley, Mass
 # of Years Attended College 4
 Did you Graduate College Yes
 Undergrad Major Accounting/Finance

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EXPERIENCE SUMMARY

Primary Emphasis: Technology, SaaS and Cloud applications, Real Estate, Health Care and Professional Sports; with key emphasis on operations, financial restructuring, due diligence, negotiation, structuring, and tax planning for mergers and acquisitions, joint ventures, leveraged buyouts, and corporate tax planning.

2012-Present: Founder, Chair and CEO)- MuscleSound, Inc.

- www.musclesound.com
- **MuscleSound® is the only source available to accurately measure MuscleHealth. MuscleSound uses non-invasive ultrasound and cloud based proprietary algorithms to provide detailed assessments of fuel levels, muscle size, imbalances, muscle quality, and body composition. This data enables healthcare providers to make informed decisions for patients/clients to improve general health or to better prepare for surgery or some other medical procedure.**

2008 – Present/Owner: Kurtz Financial LLC

- www.kurtz-financial.com
- **Consulting firm specializing in restructuring, turnarounds, and M & A advisory services to assist companies to meet the challenges and opportunities of the current financial climate.**

2001-2008, Co-Managing Member of Mankwitz Kurtz Investments, LLC

- www.mankwitzkurtz.com
- **Denver-based private equity firm focused on purchasing controlling ownership in mid-sized businesses of various industries with the Intent of building and selling these businesses in three to five years.**

1979-1997, Shenkin Kurtz Baker & Co., CPA's - CEO and Director

Merged Shenkin Kurtz Baker & Co., CPA's and Century Capital Group into CBIZ (NYSE:CBZ).

- **Served as national head of accounting firms for CBIZ and led all its Western U.S. acquisition activity, helping to build a \$600 million revenue company.**

PROFESSIONAL HIGHLIGHTS

- **MuscleSound, Inc- CEO & Chair, Co-Founder & Chair 2016 to present**
- **Kurtz Financial, LLC - Managing Member 2008 to present**
- **Mankwitz Kurtz Investments, LLC - Co-Managing Member 2001 to 2008**
- **Century Business Services, Inc., (Colorado) and Century Capital Group, Inc. - President and Senior Investment Banker, 1997-2001**
- **Shenkin Kurtz Baker & Co., CPA's - CEO and Director, 1978-1997**
- **Touché Ross & Company (Now Deloitte)- Manager, Tax Department, 1971-1978**

TRANSACTION SUMMARY:

Private Equity

- **As Co-Manager of Mankwitz Kurtz Investments, LLC led the firm to six private equity investments**
- **Heavy involvement in all aspects of the management and operation of portfolio companies on a daily basis.**

Health Care

- **Rose Medical Center**
 - **Directed the Board of Trustees of Rose Medical Center, a non-profit hospital, regarding alternatives for the sale of its assets to the various outside, for-profit health corporations.**
 - **Work included a detailed financial analysis and valuation of the hospital's operations.**
 - **Led the hospital board committee, which resulted in the sale of Rose Medical Center to Columbia/HCA.**
- **Rose Community Foundation**
 - **With the proceeds from the sale of Rose Medical Center, headed the formation of the Rose Community Foundation and served as the first Board Chair of this \$300 million foundation.**

- **HCA-HealthONE (1995-2010)**
 - Assisted in the formation of its new company in Denver which operates seven hospitals, numerous surgery centers, physician office buildings and related facilities in the metro area.
 - Since inception served as a Board Member and Chair of HCA-HealthONE's audit and finance committees. Served as the investment banker for the merger dialysis companies and directed their sale to NYSE listed companies providing the shareholders with valuations, analysis, and negotiation strategy.

Major League Baseball

- Played a key role in bringing Major League Baseball to Denver by organizing, financing and obtaining the franchise for the Colorado Rockies Baseball Club.
- Became an owner and assisted the ownership group in preparing the franchise offering, negotiated Mile High and Coors Field leases.
- Negotiated various television, radio, sponsor, and concession contracts.
- Made presentations to the National League Expansion Committee in New York and Denver
- Secured a \$40 million line of credit for the team's acquisition and operating needs.
- Assisted in the syndication of the partnership.

Recycling

- Initiated and managed a joint venture to create the largest independent paper recycling company in North America.
- Negotiated the merger agreements and bank financing,
- Assisted in the business plan development and analyzed the corporate overhead expenses of both companies which resulted in more than \$2 million in annual savings for the joint venture.

Restaurant Bankruptcy

- Directed the bankruptcy reorganization of a restaurant chain, including an analysis of creditor liabilities and various merger and asset sale alternatives.

Communications

- Coordinated the organization and financial alternatives for a privately-owned communications company.
- Assisted in corporate planning which resulted in significant annual growth to achieve status as the third largest paging company in its community within two years.
- Negotiated the sale of this company at a substantial profit to the owners.

Concrete

- Directed the sale of one of the Rocky Mountain Region's largest producer of aggregates and concrete products to an international conglomerate.

Real Estate

- Advised homebuilders and real estate developers nationwide on corporate restructuring, income tax, and liability limitations, and on future growth and sales

strategies.

General Business

- Organized and funded a Canadian publicly-held oil and gas company, negotiated various bank and other financing transactions for businesses and individuals, testified and consulted regarding numerous financial matters in Colorado courts, and advised numerous organizations on selling, refinancing, capital formation and business strategy.

EDUCATION & CREDENTIALS

- Babson College, B.S. in Business Administration, 1972, with Distinction
- Certified Public Accountant, Colorado, 1973
- American Institute of Certified Public Accountants Lecturer
- Speaker and Presenter for the Colorado Society of Certified Public Accountants, AICPA National Estate Planning Conference, University of Denver Tax Institute, and various estate planning councils and tax programs.

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- Colorado Society of Certified Public Accountants
- Recipient: Brotherhood-Sisterhood Award, National Conference for Community and Justice, 2000
- Former Partner, Colorado Rockies Baseball Club

BOARD MEMBERSHIPS

- **Current:**
 - Chair, Prosperity Denver Fund
 - Pembroke Mining Corp., Vancouver, BC and Lima, Peru. Board Member and Chair of Audit Committee, and Member of the Governance Committee,
 - LaSalle Exploration Corp, Vancouver, BC-Board Member and Chair of Audit Committee
 - Radon Environmental Corp, Vancouver, BC-Board Member and Chair of Audit Committee
 - Children's Hospital Colorado, Finance Committee
- **Past**
 - Denver Scholarship Foundation Board Member and Member of Finance and Investment Committee
 - CIBER, INC (NYSE: CBR)-Board Member, Past Chair of Compensation Committee and Audit Committees
 - Board member, Audit and Compensation Committee members for Transatlantic Petroleum Corporation (Toronto: TNP.TO)
 - Board Member and Chair of Audit and Finance Committees, HCA-HealthONE, Denver, Colorado (1995-2010)

- **Chairman and Member, Board of Trustees, Rose Community Foundation**
- **Chairman, Board of Trustees, Rose Medical Center and Rose Health Care Systems**
- **Community Board Member, Wells Fargo Colorado, N.A**
- **Board Member Anti-Defamation League**
- **First Tuesday Investment Network**
- **Cadwest Partners**
- **CTEK Angel Investment Group**
- **Allied Jewish Federation**
- **Colorado Concern**
- **Allied Housing, Inc.**