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Arizona Treasurer Kimberly Yee Appoints AZ529 Education Savings Plan Advisory Committee

PHOENIX, AZ – Arizona State Treasurer Kimberly Yee announced today the appointed members of the new statewide AZ529, Arizona’s Education Savings Plan Advisory Committee to assist the Treasurer’s Office in promoting and raising awareness of the AZ529 Plan in accordance with [A.R.S. § 41-179](#). The Advisory Committee’s purpose is to increase access of the program among all Arizonans, with a special emphasis on economically disadvantaged, minority and underrepresented student populations.

“This outstanding team of experts on the AZ529 Advisory Committee is committed to expanding the outreach of AZ529 savings to underprivileged families who may not have the resources or a plan in place for the future education of their family members,” said Treasurer Kimberly Yee, the Administrator of the AZ529 Plan and Chairwoman of the Committee. “Every child deserves an opportunity for advanced education, no matter their zip code. The members of this committee share a passion for encouraging Arizonans to save for future education needs, from vocational training to traditional college.”

The Advisory Committee members are subject-matter experts in multiple important facets of education and civic leadership, including urban and rural colleges, public and private schools and universities, vocational training and apprenticeship programs. The AZ529 Advisory Committee is the next step in Treasurer Yee’s initiative to help Arizona families save for post-high school educational expenses.

Last October, the administration of the AZ529 Plan was transferred to the Office of the Arizona State Treasurer. Treasurer Yee has long been an active proponent of financial literacy in Arizona and hopes families will explore education savings concepts as part of their financial planning.

The 11-member AZ529 Advisory Committee, chaired by Treasurer Kimberly Yee, will meet on a quarterly basis. The public and media are welcome to attend. Please see the list of the AZ529 Advisory Committee members below.



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AZ529 Advisory Committee Appointees

1. **Urban Community College District Representative:** Dr. David Doré, President of Campuses & Executive Vice Chancellor for Student Experience & Workforce Development, *Pima Community College*
2. **Rural Community College District Representative:** Keith Alexander, Special Assistant to the President for Community and Government Relations, *Eastern Arizona College*
3. **ABOR Public University Representative:** Dr. James Rund, Senior Vice President for Educational Outreach and Student Services, *Arizona State University*
4. **Private Educational Institution Representative:** Len Munsil, President, *Arizona Christian University*
5. **Vocational Training Institution Representative:** David Eaker, Campus President, *The Refrigeration School*
6. **Apprenticeship Program Representative:** Gary Schleuger, Vice President of State Government Affairs and Relations, *University of Phoenix*
7. **Teacher Representative:** Karen Mensing, Technology Integration Facilitator, *Paradise Valley Unified School District*
8. **Tribal Representative:** Honorable Myron Lizer, *Vice President of the Navajo Nation*
9. **Public Member:** Maria Baier, Vice President of External Affairs, *Great Hearts America*
10. **Public Member:** Christine Burton, Co-Founder, *Burton Family Foundation*

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