Dear Mark Day School Families:

Consistent with the National Association of Independent Schools' (NAIS) best practices for governance, each fall the Board of Trustees undertakes a year-long process to assemble a diverse board with the appropriate skills and experiences to advance Mark Day School's strategic initiatives. This process, led by the Governance Committee of the Board, involves great care and consideration and is one that the Board takes seriously.

It is with great pleasure that we write to welcome new trustees to the Mark Day School Board for the 2018-19 school year. With a broad range of expertise, this group will be invaluable to the Board as we continue the implementation of our 2014 Strategic Plan and the long term oversight of Mark Day School in accordance with its mission.

As they begin their terms on July 1, 2018, we thank these trustees for generously offering their time and talent to the Board:

Aimee Foreman, parent of twins Bennett and Mila Vosen (1st), looks forward to being of service to the Mark Day community. Aimee holds a Bachelor of Science in Mathematics degree from Georgetown University and a Masters in Statistics from University of California, Berkeley. She works as a statistician and data analyst in the clinical research industry, and has also served on the board of various organizations including as Vice President of Marin Mishpucha. We look forward to Aimee's cross-cultural exchange and community building skills on the Board.

Reetika Grewal, parent of Sasha (7th) and Devan (3rd), is looking forward to supporting the Board, especially in our work around diversity and inclusion. Reetika holds a Bachelor of Arts from University of Michigan and a Masters of Business Administration from Washington University. She is a recognized thought leader in the Financial Tech and payments industry and currently serves as Head of Payments Strategy and Solutions at Silicon Valley Bank. Reetika's strategic expertise and strong background in finance will be an asset to our Board.

David Shapiro, parent of Danny (2nd) and Lindsey (K), is aligned with our desire to build an institution that lasts for generations to come. David holds a Bachelor of Arts from the University of California, Santa Barbara. David is the Founder and CEO of Cartelligent. He is a member of the North Bay Leadership Council and Tugboat Institute. The Board looks forward to benefiting from David's strategic thinking and business operations experience.

Peter Supino, parent of Lilah (6th), Brennan, and Sawyer (2nd), brings a depth of finance, budgeting, and communications experience to the Board. He most recently served our community as a Co-chair of the True Blue Fund. Peter is a financial portfolio management professional and a graduate of Williams College. He has dedicated his time as a youth mentor and board member on the Finance and Investment committee of the Food Bank of Omaha. Peter's perspective will be a valuable addition to the Board.

Melissa Villarreal, Upper Division history teacher, is the Faculty Trustee for 2018-2019. Melissa brings to the Board deep expertise as an educator, both at Mark Day and at independent and public schools nationally and internationally. Her passion for history and educational technology resonates strongly with both students and faculty colleagues. Melissa has a deep interest in and commitment to issues of diversity, inclusion, and social justice, and will bring those skills also to the Board.

Welcoming a new slate of trustees is always bittersweet because in the same moment we bid farewell to our outgoing trustees, Minna Leigh and Eileen Sheldon, who are completing their terms this June. Thank you, Minna and Eileen, for your time and dedication to Mark Day School and its mission.

Thanks to each of you for your continued trust and confidence in the work of the Board.

Kind regards,

Robert Hee, Board President

Sam Parker, Governance Chair