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FORT WORTH COUNTRY DAY NAMES FIVE NEW TRUSTEES  
FORT WORTH, TEXAS – Fort Worth Country Day named five new trustees to its board for a three-year term: Brian Crumley, Liza Lee, Michelle Marlow, Malathi Ravi and Rachel Werner. Officers elected for the 2017-18 academic year are Laura Bonnell Alexander, president; Randy Eisenman, vice president; Dwight Horton, treasurer; and Jane Nober, secretary.

Brian Crumley is managing partner/co-founder of Vortus Investments in Fort Worth, a private equity partnership focused on energy investments. He currently serves on the Board of Trustees for Cook Children’s Health Foundation and the STAR Sponsorship Program, which provides educational access to underprivileged local students. At FWCD, he has previously served on the Head of School Search, Finance, and the Major and Leadership Gifts committees. Crumley graduated with a BA in Political Economics from Princeton University and earned an MBA from Stanford University. He is a Falcon alumnus from the Class of 1992.

Liza Lee recently served as the interim head of school at The Hockaday School in Dallas. Prior to serving in this role, Lee served as headmistress at The Hockaday School from 1990-2004. From 2004-05 (after her retirement as headmistress), she served as executive director at The Foundation for the Education of Young Women, a nonprofit agency supporting single-gender, college-preparatory, public education in Texas and beyond. In the subsequent years before assuming the interim head position at The Hockaday School, she served as interim head of school at independent schools in Austin and Charleston, South Carolina, and was head of school at Columbus School for Girls in Columbus, Ohio, from 2009-2014. Lee serves on the boards of The Lamplighter School (Dallas) and The Dallas Holocaust Museum/Center for Justice and Tolerance. She graduated with a BA from Mount Holyoke College and earned an MA from Columbia University.

Michelle Marlow grew up in Shiner and made her way to Fort Worth to become a TCU Horned Frog. Upon completion of her master’s degree, she worked as a licensed speech language pathologist in private practice. She remains connected to TCU, serving two terms on the National Alumni Board, is currently chair of the Davies School of Communication Disorders and Health Sciences advisory board, and is serving a second term on the Chancellor’s advisory board. Marlow has served in many roles at FWCD, most recently as the FWCD Fund chair; as a member of the Advancement Committee; and, together with her husband, Scott, as Falcon Club presidents. She currently sits on the Texas Ballet Theater Board, the Cliburn Board, Jewel Charity Board and Rivertree Academy advisory board. Marlow is a past trustee at Cook Children’s Medical Center and past president of the Junior League of Fort Worth.

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Originally from Athens, Alabama, Malathi Ravi graduated from Birmingham-Southern College and the Emory University School of Law. Ravi has been an active FWCD volunteer, serving in numerous roles within the Parent Faculty Association. She has been a member of FWCD’s Finance Committee since 2015 and has served as an FWCD parent ambassador leader for the admission office since 2016. Outside of FWCD, Ravi serves on the boards of Meals on Wheels of Tarrant County and Kupferle Health. She also volunteers with Mental Health America of Greater Tarrant County and Rivertree Academy. Ravi’s professional career included working as an International Tax Consultant for Arthur Andersen and Deloitte & Touche. She also worked at Thompson Reuters, where, as a lead systems business analyst, she reviewed the international tax modules of their tax software products.

Rachel Werner currently is serving on the newly formed parent ambassador leader team in FWCD’s admission office; on the FWCD Fund (annual fund) Committee; and has been active with the Parent Faculty Association board for several years, serving as carnival chair and lower school member-at-large. Werner attended the Culver Academies in Culver, Indiana, and graduated from Texas A&M University. She then worked in Washington, D.C., for many years. Werner held several positions in the White House. She then served as a chief of staff in the U.S. House of Representatives and was a director of special projects in a U.S. House of Representatives leadership office. Werner has served on numerous philanthropic boards and committees since moving to Fort Worth, including the Amon Carter Museum of American Art Ambassadors Council, the Kupferle Women’s Health Board, Cook Children’s Medical Center and the Presbyterian Night Shelter.

For more than 50 years, Fort Worth Country Day has inspired the passion to learn, the courage to lead and the commitment to serve through a program that fosters the intellectual, physical, emotional and ethical development of its students. Offering a comprehensive college-preparatory curriculum to students in grades K-12, Fort Worth Country Day focuses on the 3A’s—academics, arts and athletics—bringing balance to students’ experiences, which gives them opportunities to explore multiple interests and thrive in a compassionate community that promotes integrity, kindness, courage, respect, responsibility and scholarship. FWCD has the distinction of being the only Texas Malone Family Foundation School; the North Texas site for the Duke University Talent Identification Program; the only K-12, non-university host site for a Duke TIP Scholar Weekend; and a founding school of the Malone Schools Online Network through Stanford University Online High School. To learn more about Fort Worth Country Day, visit fwcd.org.