

# SDMC Neighborhood Nominees

## Danny David

I am a proud product of HISD. I went to Kolter Elementary, Johnston Junior High School, and Bellaire High School and had exceptional experiences that served me well at Princeton and Harvard Law. I hope that my children gain all the wonderful benefits I got from public schooling.

Following graduation from law school, I helped start a telecommunications company and later advised on corporate strategy matters as a consultant with McKinsey & Company. In 2001, I joined Baker Botts L.L.P., where I have developed extensive experience in a wide range of securities and shareholder disputes in Delaware, Texas, and throughout the U.S. I routinely represent companies and their officers and directors and offer guidance based on my expertise in corporate governance, negotiations, consensus building, and disputes. Since 2009, I have worked on litigation related to over 35 mergers with an aggregate transaction value of over \$150 billion. I am also well acquainted with special committee and audit committee work in connection with investigations, special projects, and litigation. I routinely serve as regular outside counsel to companies in energy, tech, and life sciences, providing guidance across a variety of disciplines.

In addition to my legal work, I serve on the board of BakerRipley (formerly, Neighborhood Centers, Inc.), the executive committee of [Hermann Park Conservancy](#), and the Menil Council of the [Menil Collection](#), where I chair the corporate committee. I am a term member of the Council on Foreign Relations.

## Rakhi Dimino, MD

I am a mother of two zoned children at ROE who are currently finishing kindergarten and second grade. I have served as a room parent for the past two years at ROE and then for 4 years before that at my children's previous school. I adamantly believe that when parents are active in supporting the school by assisting teachers, supporting and mentoring students, and helping administration, we can create the best environment for our own children to flourish. I specifically wanted my family to be a part of ROE because I think it carries out the heart of the International Baccalaureate Program well and focuses on teaching our children not only the basics needed in school but also how to research, present, and apply information they need through project-based learning. In addition, the curriculum engages students in their greater community and encourage them to become passionate and productive citizens. Carrying on these goals and traditions are very important for my family and our community. I currently work as a physician and a Director of Operations for a national hospitalist company. I enjoy management, coaching and improvement plans, leadership development, and team work. As I complete a master's degree this year in management I hope to reinvest more time in the community.

## Michelle Lewis

I would like to be considered for the SDMC committee. I have two neighborhood children. One is a going into 2nd grade. The other is entering ROE next year in Kinder.

Michelle A. Lewis

Chief Strategy Officer, SVP, Corporate Development & Investor Relations

Michelle Lewis is the Chief Strategy Officer for NOW Inc., (NYSE: DNOW). In her current role she initiates and serves as a primary advocate for strategic priorities within the organization. On a daily basis she oversees the strategic direction, corporate development and investor relations for DNOW. Prior to this role, from April 2010 to April 2014, Lewis served as Senior Vice President of Strategy and Shared Services for the Distribution and Transmission business unit of National Oilwell Varco (NYSE: NOV) and helped stand up DNOW as a new publicly traded company, overseeing multiple functions including Corporate Development, Investor Relations, Information Technology, Human Resources and Facilities.

In the last few years her work has included \$7B worth of transactions in geographies ranging from the Texas panhandle to Atyrau, Kazakhstan. Prior to DNOW and National Oilwell Varco Lewis spent 20 years in various sales, managerial and interim management roles in Consulting and Restructuring in the public and private sectors in Houston, New Orleans, New York, San Francisco, and Washington D.C.

In addition to the numerous acquisitions Lewis has made, highlights of her career include helping identify and reduce millions of dollars of spend from poor performing public and private businesses, developing and promoting new revenue generation channels, liquidating non-core assets, consolidating and constructing assets in new locations to reduce overhead, overseeing construction of a company's new headquarters, and serving as the point person for the upgrade and implementation of a global SAP ERP system upgrade.

Lewis also serves as Director, Board Member for a publicly traded company that is traded on the Toronto Stock Exchange.

Active in her community, she helped initiate, and serves as a Director and Chair of the Engagement Committee for the Petroleum Equipment Suppliers Association (PESA), targeting increased diversity in the trade association. Lewis also helped develop and is a Director, Member and Chair of the Corporate Development Peer Group for the Association for Corporate Growth (ACG) Houston chapter, building a network between corporate development peers.

Lewis holds a Bachelor of Fine Arts from The University of Texas and a Master of Business Administration from Rice University. She and her husband live in Houston, Texas with their two children.

## **Sangita Vadapalli**

Sangita Vadapalli is a bright, energetic, and passionate individual with a desire to serve our community. She is the mother of two sons, one that currently attends ROE and the other Lanier Middle School. Sangita has lived in the Houston area for over 20 years and has served the Houston community with distinction as a practicing optometrist for the past 16 years.

Sangita is a strong advocate of ROE, its teachers, and students, as evidenced by her involvement in the following ROE events during the 2016-2017 school year:

- founding member and executive committee member ROE Chess Club
- parent volunteer for ROE Name That Book
- parent volunteer for the India Booth at ROE Book Fair Family Night
- parent volunteer for ROE 1st grade classroom Carnival Booth
- parent chaperone for ROE 1st grade field trip
- supported and attended multiple ROE Great Gathering Events
- supported and attended ROE Fun Run
- supported and attended ROE Movie Night

-- volunteered to Chair ROE's 2017-2018 Movie Night

-- organized and directly worked with Houston Parks and Recreation Dept to hold Halloween neighborhood event at the River Oaks Community Center

## **Andrea Young**

Andrea B. Young is a seasoned executive and business leader recognized for successfully advancing companies into market leaders. With more than a decade of Chief Executive experience, Young's expertise in sales and marketing, regulated industry, financial acumen, and collaborative attitude have allowed her to navigate changing business and political environments and appreciate the underlying concerns of all stakeholders.

Young is best known for serving as the President for Sam Houston Race Park (SHRP), a position she has held since January 2008. In addition to her role at Sam Houston, Young serves in the same capacity of Valley Race in Harlingen, Texas and a planned racetrack outside of Austin, Texas. Young has consistently delivered on leadership roles in multiple situations ranging from growth to turnarounds. Her versatility comes from her ability to identify, hire and develop talented people and blend them into a team. Young then leads those teams to purposefully and passionately solve the tough problems restricting them.

During her tenure at SHRP, Young has facilitated a turnaround of the \$130 million racing, entertainment and hospitality company by leading a team that has both re-invented and diversified the Houston-based asset and its sister companies. In this capacity, Young routinely testifies before Committees of both Houses of the Texas State Legislature and the Texas Racing Commission.

Prior to joining Sam Houston Race Park, Young spent nearly eight years with the Houston Rockets organization in a number of different capacities. In her final role with the organization, Young served as President and CEO of The Houston Comets (WNBA) for almost two years until she completed the sale of the franchise in 2007. Young first moved to Houston in 2000 to join the Rockets organization as a key member of the team responsible for the development, design, construction and opening of Toyota Center.

In addition to her responsibilities at Sam Houston Race Park, Young has expanded into a number of other industries over the past several years either in a leadership role or as a private investor. Young is a large franchisee of Nektar Juice Bars, the nation's modern reinvention of the juice bar offering fresh, delicious nutrient-dense juices, smoothies and acai bowls in the nation through her company AY Juice Holdings, LLC and serves as its CEO/Managing Member. Young has plans to open six locations in Houston, the Woodlands, Katy and Fort Worth in 2017. Young is also actively involved in investments in both the retail and pharmaceutical industries.

Young currently serves on the Board of Directors of Armenta, a Houston based luxury jewelry retailer, the Thoroughbred Racing Association and the Texas Horse Racing Museum & Hall of Fame. She also serves on the BBVA Compass Houston Advisory Board, River Oaks Elementary Shared Decision Making Committee (SDMC) and on the Steering Committee for the Executive Women's Partnership. Young has previously served on the board of the Texas Lyceum and Girls Inc. of Greater Houston.

In 2009, Young was honored as one of the *Houston Business Journal's* "Top 40 under 40," which identifies 40 young leaders who excel in their industry and show dynamic leadership in their community. Additional awards Young has received include the *Thoroughbred Times'* "Top 40 under 40" award (2010), Leadership Houston's "25 Most Distinguished Alumni" as part of its 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary (2006) and the Texas Thoroughbred Association's Allen Bogan Memorial "Member of the Year" Award (2015).

A graduate of Vanderbilt University, Young began her career with the Tennessee Titans in media relations. Young currently resides in Houston with her husband, John, and their two children. Young grew up in Dallas, Texas where she

attended Ursuline Academy High School. Young is an active member of the Young Presidents' Organization (YPO) and enjoys both tennis and volunteer work.