

MARINERS CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Lewis Brewster – Board Chair:

Lewis and Stacie Brewster have been married for 15 years and have five children, Christina (graduating senior at Baylor University), Caroline (MCS Class of 2016), Samantha (MCS Class of 2017), William (MCS Class of 2020) and James (MCS Class of 2022). They are very grateful for the Christ-centered education at MCS and feel that it is the most valuable gift they can give their children. The Brewster family attends Mariners Church and they are actively involved in the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation. They have also supported Habitat for Humanity and mission work in Uganda and Egypt. They enjoy big family dinners, road trip vacations, sports, watching Steelers football, and spending time with their two new dachshund puppies, Lucky and Lola. Lewis is Vice President of Marketing at Broadcom, a semiconductor company in Irvine, and has nearly 30 years of experience in the communications industry at various companies including Rockwell, Conexant and Broadcom in the Dallas and Newport Beach areas. He holds a Bachelor's degree in electrical and biomedical engineering from Duke University (1986) and an MBA from Stanford University (1991). Lewis is grateful and honored to serve on the MCS Board.

Harry Bagramian:

Harry and Kim Bagramian have been married for 14 years and have two children, Harry Jr. (MCS Class of 2020) and Sophia (MCS Class of 2022). They appreciate that MCS is filled with teachers that pour their hearts into all the children with Christ's love. Harry's wife Kim has served as PTF President and other PTF roles at MCS. Harry is founder of Project Giving Light which gives birthday parties to homeless children in Orange County. He is excited for all the growth of this non-profit and how it is impacting homeless and at risk youth in Southern California. Their family attends Hillsong Church Orange County. He is also founder of a janitorial and property maintenance company that does business in Southern California. Harry is excited to help MCS grow to the next steps and is honored to be a part of the MCS Board.

Clifton Chang:

Clifton and Yuwen Chang have been married for 11 years and have two children, CJ (MCS Class of 2024) and Sydney (MCS Class of 2026). They attend Mariners Church in Irvine where Clifton is on staff as the Human Resources Director. Prior to his role at Mariners Church, he had over 20 years of experience in human resources working in companies that include Johnson & Johnson and Allergan. Clifton graduated from Cornell University, School of Industrial and Labor Relations and earned his MBA from USC. He is also a volunteer on the Cornell Alumni Admissions Network and Cornell Annual Fund Campaigns. The Chang family mission is to love each other as Christ loves and to serve others out of an overflow of the joy and abundance they have received. Experiencing God's presence at Mariners Christian School and its staff has blessed their family and they desire for other families in the community to have similar experiences.

Brian Darrow:

Brian and Caren have been married for 19 years and have three children: Hannah (MCS Class of 2014), Levi (MCS Class of 2017) Jedidiah (MCS Class of 2024). Brian has lived in Newport Beach for 42 years and holds a Bachelor of Science Degree in Business Administration (Entrepreneurship) from the University of Southern California. He has started and helped businesses across multiple platforms including computer technology, oil exploration, homebuilding and merchant services. His true passion is serving the community for Jesus. He has 17 years of ministry experience as a Youth Pastor, Congregational Care Pastor, Elder, and Associate Pastor. He is now the lead Pastor of the W Church in Newport Beach. Brian's heart is to share with others what Jesus has done in his own life so that others might find the same salvation and hope. He is honored and excited to serve the MCS family in any way he can.

Charlie Haggard:

Charlie and Amy Haggard have been married for 16 years and have three children: Hudson (MCS Class of 2021), Dalton (MCS Class of 2021) and Vivian (MCS Class of 2023). They feel blessed to have found MCS and are thankful for the Christ-centered education and love their children receive at MCS, as well as for the stewardship from the faculty and staff. Charlie and Amy met in Charlotte, North Carolina and lived in Charlotte and Chicago before deciding to call Newport Beach home in 2009. The Haggard family attend Mariners Church where they have enjoyed the children's ministry and serving in various community outreach projects. Amy has been actively involved at MCS volunteering in the classroom as well as serving on the planning committee for the school's Spring Auction the past several years, with Charlie recently serving on the MCS Finance Committee. Charlie is a Managing Director with real estate finance firm Berkeley Point Capital. He holds a bachelor's degree in Business Administration and a master's degree in Land Economics and Real Estate from Texas A&M University. Charlie considers it a privilege to have the opportunity to serve the MCS Community in this capacity.

Mike McMillen:

Mike and Laura McMillen have been married for 21 years and have three children. Matthew (MCS Class of 2015), Stephen (MCS Class of 2016), and Sarah (MCS Class of 2022). Their family has a passion for serving the homeless through non-profit ministries in both San Francisco and Orange County, also serving as members of the Board. They have been attending Rock Harbor Church for the past 9 years, previously attending Community Presbyterian Church in Northern California for 10 years. They have been actively involved at MCS since arriving in 2006 and are very passionate about the spiritual development at the school. Mike is Vice President with the TRI Pointe Group, a real estate company that focuses on residential land development and homebuilding. Mike has spent 25 years in the real estate industry specializing in strategic planning, entitlements and product development for new home communities. Mike holds a Bachelor of Science degree from Cal Poly San Luis Obispo in Construction Management. Mike counts it a privilege to serve as a Board member at MCS.

Mark Nowlin:

Mark and Angela have been married for 15 years and have three sons, Micah (MCS Class of 2017), Joshua (Class of 2019) and Caleb (Class of 2022). Mark grew up in Connecticut while Angela was raised in Huntington Beach. They currently attend St. Andrew's Church in Newport Beach. They enjoy reading, sports, music, and spending time with family. Mark and Angela feel very blessed to be a part of the Mariners Christian School community and are thankful for the Christ-centered education that is so important in these formative years for their children. Mark received his undergraduate degree from Fresno State, and his Doctorate in Physical Therapy from Boston University. He has been practicing as a Physical Therapist since 1999 in Orange County. With God's prompting and leading, he opened his clinic Power Physical Therapy and Sports Medicine in Costa Mesa in 2011. His specialty is in the recovery from musculoskeletal injury, including post-surgical rehabilitation. In addition, Mark serves as Adjunct Professor for Vanguard University in the Kinesiology Department. Mark is honored and humbled to serve as a Board member for MCS. *Soli Deo Gloria!*

Meesh Pierce:

Meesh and Graham have been married 10 years and have two boys, Grayson (MCS Class of 2023) and Ashton (MCS Class of 2025). Meesh was born and raised in Taiwan and moved to Southern California in 2nd grade. The Pierce family attends St. Andrews Church and is blessed with loving family and childhood friends in the immediate area. She has a BS in Economics and an MBA from The Wharton School at The University of Pennsylvania and currently works as an independent strategy consultant. Her projects span software development and product marketing for the likes of Disney, Ticketmaster, NBC, Warner Bros, and Epson to acting as a business manager/advisor for entrepreneurs and a Broadway actor. Meesh serves as VP Programming for Wharton So Cal, an active regional alumni club serving 4000 alums, and is also a member of the Trustees Council of Penn Women at the University of Pennsylvania. She's oddly and equally left and right-brained, loving Excel as much as furniture painting. She's honored to serve in this role at MCS.

Jason Tester:

Jason and Anna have been married for 13 years and have three children: Hampton (MCS Class of 2020), Jack (MCS Class of 2022), and Mary Frances (MCS Kindergarten). Jason has spent the past year serving on the Finance Committee for MCS. They are active members of Redeemer Presbyterian Church in Newport Beach, including service on the finance committee, teaching Sunday school to 1st through 3rd graders, and enjoying their community group. Jason is the Chief Financial Officer of AcuFocus, a venture backed medical device company. Previously, Jason worked in investment banking at several firms in Atlanta, focused on transactions in the healthcare space. Jason began his career as a CPA and holds an MBA from Emory University, a Masters of Accountancy and a Bachelor's in Business from the University of Georgia. Jason is honored to serve on the MCS Board.