

Professional PositionsNonprofit Leadership

Inaugural Executive Director, Allies for Children (2013-present)

Important Initiatives:

- Launched *Healthy Together*, a partnership effort between the City of Pittsburgh, Allegheny County Health Department, Consumer Health Coalition and Allies for Children designed to reduce the number of uninsured children in Pittsburgh by 50% (2014)
- Founding member of executive committee for Campaign for Fair Education Funding, a coalition of over 50 organizations from across Pennsylvania dedicated to reforming public education funding (2015-16)
- Launched Allies for Children School Breakfast Initiative a research and advocacy campaign promoting the importance of data and increased school breakfast participation; (2016-18)
- Member of the Allegheny County Lead Task Force (2017)
- Our Kids. Our Commitment. The Allegheny County Children's Fund Initiative (2017-2018)

Electoral Politics

Member, Pittsburgh City Council (2008-2013)

- In 2007 ran grassroots campaign against entrenched member of the Democratic Party; thanks to hundreds of volunteers won narrow victory
- In 2011 ran for re-election against mayoral backed candidate and won Democratic Party Primary with 65% of the vote
- 2008 to 2013 chaired Committee on Intergovernmental Affairs responsible for \$100's of millions for economic development
- Important Initiatives while on Council:
 - 2012 Veolia Water of NA provides Interim Executive Management Services at Pittsburgh Water & Sewer Authority for 12 to 18 months starting July, 2012;
 - 2011 "Our Library Our Future" voter initiative; 72% Yes vote; won all but 6 voting precincts in the City of Pittsburgh
 - 2010 Proposed alternatives to Mayor's Parking Privatization Plan and successfully accomplished goals laid out by the Pennsylvania State Legislature; built a 7-2 council majority; passed final legislation over Mayoral veto
 - 2009 Founding member of CONNECT, which promotes improved relations and operations between City and its adjacent 35 municipalities; developed positive relations with municipal leaders
 - 2008 Launched Council-to-Go; crafted with Mayor Ravenstahl PGH Bike-Pedestrian Agenda that is still being implemented to this day

Member, Pittsburgh Board of Education (2003-2007)

- Ran grassroots campaign against sitting school board president and entrenched member of the Democratic Party establishment
- With colleagues formed a new relationship between the board and superintendent based on an “Accountability Contract”
- Chaired the Board’s Education Committee and helped shepherd some of the most important education reform measures through board votes

Candidate for Mayor (2009)

- Ran for Mayor of City of Pittsburgh against incumbent Mayor with a \$1 million war chest; called out the corruption of the administration, provided alternative policies and offered a real governance choice for the voters

Teaching

Part-Time Instructor, Department of History, University of Pittsburgh (2017)

- At the invitation of the University of Pittsburgh I taught “The History of Pittsburgh”

Teacher, Department of History, Ellis School (2000-2007)

- Worked in an all-girls school and served as a minority male member of the faculty; worked closely with students in the subject areas of History and Economics

Teacher, History Department, Winchester Thurston School (1998-2000)

Teaching Fellow, History Department, University of Pittsburgh (1991-1998)

Appointments to Authorities and Nonprofit Boards

- Pittsburgh Foundation, Board Member, (2015-present)
- Forbes Fund, Board Member (2016-present)
- GPNP, Advisory Team Member (2015-present)
- Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh, Life Trustee, Board Vice Chair (2010-present)
- East Liberty Presbyterian Church, Session Member (2013-2017)
- Pittsburgh Water and Sewer Authority, Board Member (2009-2013)
- Riverlife, Board Member (2008-2012)
- Zoological Society of Pittsburgh, Board Member (2008-2013)

Education

1999	Ph.D., European Intellectual History	University of Pittsburgh
1992	M.A., European Intellectual History	University of Pittsburgh
1990	B.A., History	University of Missouri

References

Available upon request