

One Sky Membership Meeting – May 23rd, 2018

Speaker Bios

Women's March Network

Bob Bland is the CEO + Founder of Manufacture New York (MNY), a social enterprise that is rethinking the fashion ecosystem (design, development, distribution) and creating a new, vertically-integrated business model that will transform apparel & textile production for the 21st century. Their mission is to reawaken and rebuild America's fashion industry, foster the next wave of businesses, and create a transparent, sustainable global supply chain. An international speaker + advocate for domestic manufacturing, ethical supply chains and design entrepreneurship education, Ms. Bland has presented Manufacture New York as a case study in Copenhagen, Seoul, Los Angeles, Raleigh, Las Vegas, Washington D.C. and NYC. She has also been featured in two books, *Sustainable Fashion: Past, Present & Future* (2015), *We Own the City* (2014); the film "Making It In America: Empowering Global Fashion;" and multiple TV interviews including CNBC & CBS Evening News.

Voter Participation Center

Marissa McBride is the Executive Director of the Voter Participation Center, where she manages all facets of VPC's efforts to reach, register and mobilize the Rising American Electorate for the 2017-2018 cycle. McBride oversees the long-term strategic planning at VPC, as well as program, analytics, communications, community outreach, and development. Prior to joining VPC, McBride served as the VP for Civic Engagement at the Bonner Group, Inc. a progressive non-profit and Democratic political consulting firm in Washington, DC where she was instrumental in building and developing progressive organizations on both the national and state level. McBride is a graduate of the University of Colorado and the Elliot School of International Affairs at the George Washington University.

Rise Up

Dr. Denise Raquel Dunning is a powerful advocate for girls and women. She is the Founder and Executive Director of Rise Up, which advances health, education, and equity globally. Since the organization's founding in 2009, Rise Up's global network of 500+ leaders has improved health, education, and rights for 7 million girls, youth, and women, and advocated for over 100 laws and policies impacting 115 million people. Rise Up's work in 15 countries integrates advocacy, innovative programming, and strategic partnerships with the United Nations and the White House.

NDI

Sandra Pepera, Director for Gender, Women and Democracy Sandra Pepera is a career diplomat and international development professional. Before joining NDI as its director for Gender, Women and Democracy in 2014, she spent thirteen years as a senior officer at the UK's Department for International Development (DFID), including leading programs in the Caribbean, Rwanda-Burundi and Sudan. Prior to joining DFID, Sandra spent time in British domestic politics; lecturing in political science and international relations at the University of Ghana; and as a political analyst in the Political Affairs Division at the Commonwealth Secretariat.

Much of Sandra's career has been spent working in or on transitional economies, focusing on the building of resilient and inclusive institutions. She led work on women and politics at the University of Ghana and in outreach public policy during the period of intense and unstable political transition in the early 1990s. This included participating in a program that supported the ANC Women's League during South Africa's transition from apartheid to majority democratic rule in 1993.

Ignite

Anne Moses, President & Founder, IGNITE. Dr. Anne Moses, has 20+ years experience in social justice organizations with a career spanning non-profit, political, policy, and academic sectors, and a focus on women's and girls' issues. Alongside an extensive consulting practice, Anne has served as Chief Operating Officer for Emerge America, Majority Council Director for EMILY's List, and Executive Director of GirlSource. Anne is also adjunct faculty at Mills College in Oakland, CA. Anne holds a Ph.D. from U.C. Berkeley and an MSW from New York University.

VoteRunLead

Amanda O'Donnell is a finance and operations expert who helps innovative and high-growth organizations build capacity to scale and significantly increase impact. Amanda joined VoteRunLead in 2017 as the organization's first Chief Operations Officer. She is passionate about empowering women and girls in leadership, bridging digital divides, and increasing diversity in our democratic systems. Prior to VoteRunLead, Amanda built over a decade of experience in the technology sector: as a founding member, CFO, and Partner at Control Group and as SVP of Finance at Intersection, a Sidewalk Labs company committed to improving the urban experience, and the team leading LinkNYC. Throughout her time in the industry, Amanda has been a leader of Women in Technology initiatives. Amanda graduated summa cum laude from the University of Massachusetts with a degree in Environmental Science and earned her MPA from NYU-Wagner. She has been a Board Member of MOUSE, a national youth development nonprofit, since 2015.