

SPEAKER BIOGRAPHIES - September 22, 2015

Mary S. Nardone, P.E. **Associate Vice President for Campus Projects** **Boston College**

As Associate Vice President for Capital Projects, at Boston College, Mary is responsible for the planning, design, and construction of all new construction and large-scale renovations on campus. She leads teams of architects, engineers, planners, and project managers in the planning and development of the campus. Mary served as Project Director for Boston College's Campus Master Plan. Mary is a registered professional engineer, with a Bachelors of Architectural Engineering from Penn State University, a Masters in Finance from Boston College, and a PhD in Higher Education Administration from Boston College. She also serves as part-time faculty in BC's graduate school of management. Mary has worked at Boston College for 22 years. Prior to joining Boston College, she held positions of engineering and engineering management, in the contracting and consulting engineering fields.

Keith Epstein, AIA **Vice President Facilities , Infrastructure and Real Estate Planning** **Connecticut State Colleges and Universities**

Keith was appointed Vice President of Facilities, Real Estate and Infrastructure Planning for the Board of Regents for Higher Education in March of 2014. Major responsibilities include oversight of Master Plan development, establishing short and long term capital budgets for the Systems four universities, 12 community colleges and Connecticut's only public on-line accredited college and management of the capital program staff. The average annual capital program budget exceeds \$200 million. Prior to this appointment, since 2008, Keith was the Assistant Vice Chancellor for Planning for the former Board of Trustees for the universities. Keith holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Architecture from the New York Institute of Technology, is a licensed architect in the State of Connecticut and is a member of the American Institute of Architects.

Laura Cruickshank, FAIA **University Master Planner and Chief Architect** **University of Connecticut**

Laura Cruickshank, FAIA, University Master Planner and Chief Architect, joined UCONN in February 2013. Ms. Cruickshank is responsible for the immediate and long-range planning and development of the Storrs and Regional Campuses and the Law School. She has oversight of planning, design and construction in the development and management of the University's Capital Improvement Plan, UCONN 2000 and Next Generation CT programs. Prior to joining UCONN, Laura Cruickshank was the Yale University Planner and directed planning and design on the Yale central campus. Ms. Cruickshank led Yale planning for the new Yale-NUS College in Singapore representing the University in the planning, design and construction of the new liberal arts college. She collaborated with an international team of architects, and partnered with professional and administrative colleagues from the National University of Singapore. Ms. Cruickshank received her Bachelor of Arts degree from Mount Holyoke College in 1975 and her Master of Architecture degree from the University of New Mexico School of Architecture and Planning in 1980. She holds architectural registration in Connecticut and is a Fellow of the American Institute of Architects (AIA) and member of the Society for College and University Planning (SCUP) and the Association of University Architects (AUA). She has served on private boards and public commissions including the General Services Administration peer review for the design of the new campus for the Department of Homeland Security.

Trina Mace Learned **Director of Facilities Operations** **Wellesley College**

Trina Mace Learned has spent the last 30 years in facilities and strategic planning, working with and for academic and not-for-profit institutions to help them strengthen their mission. She is now the Director of Facilities Operations at Wellesley College, the 140 year old premier women's college just west of Boston, the alma mater of Hillary Clinton, Madelaine Albright, Diane Sawyer and Ali McGraw. Previously, Ms. Learned was founder and principal of Learned1 LLC and The Stone House Group, both facilities planning consulting groups. Before that, she worked for Facilities Resource Management, Inc. and for Yale University, Brown University, and Trinity College developing budgets, managing funding and enhancing the relationships between programs and their facilities. A robust commuter, Trina Chairs the City of New Haven's Historic District Commission. She is a LEED accredited professional and holds a BA in Music and Art History from Williams College.

Roger Mosier, P.E.
Associate Vice President for Facilities
Smith College

Roger Mosier was appointed Associate Vice President for Facilities at Smith College in Northampton, MA in 2014. In this role, he is responsible for the upkeep of 3.2 million square feet of space in 110 academic, administrative and residential buildings on campus. The facilities department also manages capital projects, the central power plant, 33 acres of campus grounds and compliance with government health and safety regulations. Prior to his position at Smith, Mr. Mosier was Vice President of Facilities at the Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts in Washington, D.C. He holds bachelor's and master's degrees in mechanical engineering from Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, and is a licensed professional engineer.

Elizabeth Minnis, AIA
Deputy Commissioner, Office of Planning Design and Construction
Division of Capital Asset Management, Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Elizabeth Minnis oversees the Commonwealth's \$400 + million capital program of planning, design and construction for Higher Education, Public Safety, Judiciary, Human Services and other executive branch agencies and state offices. With a staff of over 100 architects, engineers and construction professionals, the Office of Planning, Design and Construction manages teams of A/E firms, contractors, subcontractors and construction managers to develop a wide range of projects including strategic facilities and campus master plans, repairs, renovations, energy efficiency upgrades and new construction. Ms. Minnis is leading her Team in the development of performance metrics and continuous improvement in on-time/on-budget, better quality planning, design and construction services. Current efforts include the use of LEAN for construction on pilot projects, Facility Performance Evaluations and the development of a 'learning culture' at DCAMM to foster professional growth and improvement in customer service. A Registered Architect in Massachusetts, Ms. Minnis is a member of the Board of Directors of the Boston Society of Architects and past Chair of the Advisory Group of the AIA's Academy of Architecture for Justice Knowledge Community. She is an alumna of the Boston Architectural College and Boston University.

Moderator:

Arch Currie, AIA
Owner, No Left Turn, LLC
Collaborating Partner, Performance Resource Partners, LLC

Arch Currie is a registered Architect, LEED AP BD+C, and Certified Historic Architect. In 2004, he formed No Left Turn, consulting to Designers, Owners, Contractors, and others involved with facilities and Capital Programs. His practice calls upon his years of experience as Director of Project Management at Yale University, as well as his leadership roles at Ellerbe Becket Architects & Engineers, Beyer Blinder Belle Architects, and Newman Architects. For the last five years, he has also collaborated with complementary consultants as part of Performance Resource Partners, with a focus of Higher Education facilities management. As Architect and business consultant, Arch has stressed organizational issues, along with the development of quality design and construction. During his 13-year tenure with Yale, his Division was responsible for approximately \$2 Billion of new construction and renovation.