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St. Mark's Episcopal School was created in 1960 as an educational outreach ministry of St. Mark's Episcopal Church. We are governed by a separate Board of Trustees, comprised of current and former parents and community leaders. The Board of Trustees of St. Mark's Episcopal School is a dynamic group of individuals that focuses on the long-term strategic goals and financial position of the school and the selection and support of its Head of School, Garhett Wagers. The board entrusts the normal, day-to-day operations of the school to its sole employee, the Head of School, and uses its position to approve the annual operating budget and oversee the financial operations of the school.

We would like to formally welcome the following individuals, newly elected to the St. Mark's Board of Trustees:



MICHAEL BARRETT –

Michael Barrett is a Partner of the Commodities Markets Practice of Ernst & Young LLP's Financial Accounting Advisory Services (FAAS). Commodities Markets is a multi-disciplinary team serving trading, marketing, and other commodity consumers across all industries. The group provides services to clients across the transaction life cycle from inception of the transaction, through risk management and reporting, to financial reporting, bringing deep, specialized expertise in each process area.

Michael's primary background is in audit services, risk management, and technical accounting for commodity trading organizations. He has other experience in middle office/risk management, business process improvement, regulatory, and technology for commodity trading, marketing, and procurement organizations. He regularly serves as a panelist at several firm-sponsored and industry conferences and ASC 815 and 820 and IAS 39 trainings.

Michael serves as the Audit Engagement Partner for many large commodity trading companies that trade globally in traditional commodities and renewable markets, both liquid and illiquid. These companies file under both IFRS and US GAAP.

The Barrett Family has been a part of the St. Mark's community since 2015. Daughters Alyssa, '24, and Alexa, '29, have found the right educational home at St. Mark's.



CLINT LAECHELIN _

Clinton T. Laechelin is the Vice President of Finance at Fayez Sarofim & Co., and has been with the Company since 2019. He is primarily responsible for management of the financial reporting role and related vendor relationships, while supervising a department of 25 professionals. Clint advises the Board of Directors and Chief Executive Officer on business strategy, capital structure, budgeting, and tax planning. He also leads a multi-family office for the principal owners of the Company.

Prior to joining Fayez Sarofim & Co., Clint was a Partner with Mohle Adams, LLP, a boutique public accounting firm in Houston, specializing in closely-held businesses, high-net worth individuals, estates, and trusts. Clint is also a founder, investor, and supporter of several local businesses. He is involved with local charities and has previously served on several non-profit boards.

Clint holds an MBA from the Thunderbird School of Global Management and a BBA in Accounting with a minor in Latin American Studies from the University of Houston. He is a licensed Certified Public Accountant in Texas. He has three children at St. Mark's: Cayden is in 5th grade, Bryce is in 3rd grade, and Mallory is in 2nd grade. Clint has been married to his wife, Lauren, for over 13 years.