



American Board of Directors

Gabriella Salvatore, Board President, holds a Master's degree in Organizational Psychology from Lesley University and a Bachelor's in Political Science from Cornell University. She has worked in biopharma in the areas of Patient Advocacy as well as Learning and Leadership development. Gabriella is currently Head of Design Solutions and Innovation at Vantage Partners.

Abby Elmore is an educator and mom with a bachelor's degree in history from Boston University and a master's degree in higher education administration from Indiana University. She has worked at many local colleges including Boston University and Harvard University, developing relationships with students to help them reach their best potential. Abby helped develop a number of non-profit organizations and has worked and volunteered for a number of not-for-profits. In 2017 Abby traveled to Uganda to meet the families Connect Africa serves.

Russell Gilmore is a business systems analyst with more than 15 years of experience in the banking industry. With a degree in Business Administration he brings his expertise in project design, implementation and analysis to the Connect Africa Board.

Elyse Paidas is a Healthcare Practice Leader with more than 20 years of experience in integrated global healthcare communications and marketing. Over the course of her career she has worked for varied clients across healthcare sectors in the field of HIV prevention and education. After receiving a degree in Medical Anthropology she served as a Peace Corps Volunteer in Ghana.

Kim Nelson is the Chief Legal Officer for Atrius Health and a member of the executive team. Kim has over 30 years of experience as an attorney working for nonprofit health care organizations. Kim is also a registered nurse and was on the nursing staff at Beth Israel Hospital in the early 1980s.

Marialyce Worden has worked for more than 35 years in health care, as a clinical laboratory scientist and as a drug development professional. Prior to joining the Board she had twice visited CAF. Her experience with CAF allowed her to fully realize the importance of our connections and responsibilities, having experienced first hand that lives are changed in meaningful ways through our presence and efforts.

Melissa Mann has a M.S. in Accounting and works as an Accounting Consultant. Her focus is on helping organizations achieve operational excellence and reducing costs while maximizing benefits. She brings her expertise in financial analysis to helping us grow our programming.

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Kimani-Ntege Esther is business woman selling maternity and children's clothing. She brings her forward thinking attitude and skill with social media to the board.

Kizito Ahamada is farmer who was born, raised and continues to live in Kyaliwajjala. He knows everyone in the area and is great source of information, insights and connections.

Magoola Rachel is an internationally famous Ugandan singer. Her family has founded a Teacher's College where Rachel is the Head Mistress. She brings her skills managing students and educational institution bureaucracy to CAF.

Nagudi Faridah is a jack of all trades. She has worked as nanny, farmer and business woman. She is very well connected and is able to help us link with multitudes of individuals and services.

Canon Segawa Henry is Reverend at Uganda Martyrs' Seminary and principal at Namugongo Mixed Primary School. He lives and works in an impoverished community, helping direct orphaned students to our sponsorship program.