



LORNE POLGER, SAN DIEGO, CA (BOARD MEMBER SINCE 2021)

Why are you serving on the HNF Board?

My wife Cindy had various gastro-related symptoms beginning in late 2013 that were misdiagnosed by her primary care physician and by a gastroenterologist. In November 2014 she was finally diagnosed with late-stage NET along with carcinoid heart disease. To get her appropriate care in a timely manner--Cindy was in full congestive heart failure at that time--I fired myself from my company, started a new company, obtained the proper insurance, and we were at the Mayo Clinic about ten days later. Cindy had triple valve replacement during her open-heart surgery and endured a carcinoid storm during the procedure. Her quality of life remained high afterward, but unfortunately, she ultimately passed in January 2016. In 2017, I read an article about Eric Liu's pioneering work in the field. He was kind enough to meet with me, which led to my involvement as a donor and then committee and now board member positions. I hope that my experiences as a caregiver and "disease administrator" along with my roles on other non-profit organizations can further the goals of HNF.

About Lorne Polger

Lorne is the Co-Founder and Senior Managing Director of Pathfinder Partners, LLC, a real estate private equity firm based in San Diego, California, with a portfolio of real estate investments located throughout the western United States. Lorne focuses on acquisitions, dispositions, business and legal strategies. He practiced real estate law for more than 20 years and, prior to co-founding Pathfinder in 2006, was the head of the Real Estate, Environmental and Land Use team at Procopio, San Diego's largest law firm. Lorne graduated with a B.A. in Political Science from Colorado College, Cum Laude, in 1984 and earned his law degree from UCLA in 1988.

Lorne was a finalist in the 2015 EY San Diego Entrepreneur of the Year Awards. He is a founding Director of Endeavor Bank, and currently chairs the loan committee. He was a long-time member of Vistage, the international CEO organization. His community activities include serving as a trustee of the Tony award winning La Jolla Playhouse, as a national commissioner, and formerly, as chair of the Regional Advisory Board, the Executive Committee and the Civil Rights Committee of the Anti-Defamation League, as a board member of the Residential Committee of the

Burnham-Moores Center for Real Estate at the University of San Diego, as a board member of the National Conference of Christians and Jews, as a Director of the San Diego Chapter of the CCIM Institute, and on the Campaign for Cardiovascular Care at Scripps Health in San Diego. His interests include the outdoors, photography, hiking, cycling and music.