

Board of Director Profile



Patricia Hoben, Ph.D.

City Forward Collective
Executive Director

Patricia Hoben is co-founder and past CEO for Carmen Schools of Science and Technology, a small but growing network of college and career preparatory charter schools including three high schools and two middle schools. She has been involved in science education reform initiatives at the national, state, and local levels.

Hoben earned a Ph.D. in Molecular Biophysics and Biochemistry from Yale University in 1984, but left research early in her career to work in science and technology policy in Washington DC. Dr. Hoben served as a policy analyst on studies of the U.S. biotechnology industry and the international human genome mapping project for the U.S. Congress Office of Technology Assessment. She then went on to work for the U.S. Assistant Secretary for Health as an advisor on public health and science education and policy issues. Later, Dr. Hoben headed the pre-college and public science education grants program at the Howard Hughes Medical Institute, multi-million dollar philanthropy for funding scientific research and education. She also served in a special appointment at the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission to oversee a major study on perceived health effects of electromagnetic fields. She served as the Associate Director of the Minneapolis-based science museum, the Bakken Museum of Electricity in Life, where she led a \$10 million expansion of programs and exhibits. Dr. Hoben's political and program management experience positioned her for success in establishing and leading a \$6 million community collaborative to strengthen K-12 science education in the Minneapolis Public Schools in the late 1990s.

Dr. Hoben serves on the boards of the Milwaukee Public Museum, Teach for America Milwaukee, the Milwaukee Harbor District, and the All In Foundation. Hoben is a 2016 Pahara-Aspen Institute Education Fellow and received the Milwaukee Business Journal's Woman of Influence Award for Innovation in 2009, as well as awards from the United Community Center, Alverno College, and Casa Romero Renewal Center for her work in establishing and leading Carmen Schools.

Dr. Patricia Hoben now serves as the Executive Director of City Forward Collective, a relaunch of the school support nonprofit PAVE + STCM.

Term Started: 2013

Chairs - Board Governance

Serves On - Executive

Previously served on Academic Committee, Search, and SPCC

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