



Board Member Profile

Name: Zak Bolick

Tell us about you (family, career background, current job/role...)

I moved from North Carolina to Lawrence in 2006, and worked as a credit analyst as well as a lender at Douglas County Bank before being recruited to INTRUST Bank as a commercial lender in 2013. In 2017, I was recruited to Edmonds Duncan RIA as an investment advisor. Here, I help manage investments and review client accounts as well as building assets for the firm. I have a beautiful wife, Jo Marie who is a math teacher for K12, Inc, as well as three boys Max (10), Will (8), and Reid (2). Max and Will are students at Quail Run Elementary School.

How long have you lived in the Lawrence community?

Since 2006

What is the best thing about being a Foundation board member?

As a father of two school aged boys in the USD 497 district, as well as being active at Quail Run, I enjoy my community work with the Lawrence Schools Foundation to help other schools, teachers, families, and students across the district in any way possible that we can to help their learning environments. Whether that is helping raise money, or helping to build the Foundation community through exposure, I enjoy building the school community up in Lawrence.

Describe a teacher or school staff member who had an influence on you.

Paula Barr was Max's 2nd grade teacher. I also taught Junior Achievement for many years with Mrs. Barr. She was always so warm with her kids, and was a leader not just with her team at Quail Run, but with the school and district as well. She often would travel across the country attending meetings and bringing back cutting edge ideas back to her classroom. Even after she retired, she has been active in the school, and has started a company to help bring necessary materials into the classrooms.

What might someone be surprised to know about you?

I am terrified of spiders.

What special strengths do you bring to the board?

Financial acumen. I have a business undergraduate degree from the University of North Carolina at Wilmington, as well as a Masters of Business Administration degree,

specializing in finance, from Baker University. I have spent my career in finance, first in investments at Edward Jones in NC, and then 10 years in consumer and commercial lending and credit analysis, and then back into financial management in investments.

What goals do you hope to achieve during your term?

I hope that I can be an active member of the foundation that has great success in the current times that we are living through, where schools and classrooms and families and students may be asking more of us than ever.