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Maryland Council on Economic Education Appoints Two New Board of Trustees

BALTIMORE, March 22, 2016 – The [Maryland Council on Economic Education](#) (MCEE), a nonprofit organization dedicated to improving economic and financial literacy in the state’s schools grades K-12, elected two new members—Simon Paterson and Helene Raynaud—to its governing board of trustees today.

Simon Paterson, CFA is principal and senior equity analyst for [Brown Advisory](#), an independent management investment firm. In this role, Paterson conducts research using a variety of methods, including conversations with Wall Street analysts, meetings with industry experts, and close study of financial statements; he then provides investment recommendation to both institutional and private clients. Prior to joining the team at Brown Advisory in 2011, Paterson spent eight years as an analyst at M&T Bank, conducting research and developing stock models. He earned degrees from Princeton University and Queen’s University in Ontario. In addition to his new MCEE board appointment, Paterson is active in his community as a soccer coach and volunteers at his children’s school and with the Cub Scouts of America. Paterson has also served as a mentor at the Crossroads School in Baltimore.

Helene Raynaud brings additional financial literacy and nonprofit experience to MCEE’s board of trustees, as president and chief executive officer of [Guidewell Financial Solutions](#) (a.k.a. Consumer Credit Counseling Service of Maryland and Delaware, Inc.), a fully accredited financial counseling provider. Prior to Guidewell, Raynaud was the chief operating officer of the National Foundation for Credit Counseling (NFCC) in Washington, D.C., the largest nonprofit financial counseling organization in the United States. She has employed the newest technology and web tools to maximize efficiency in her various roles, developing a keen marketing and communications sense, in addition to her business and management expertise. Raynaud has earned degrees from University of Nancy II and Institut d’Etudes Politiques (Sciences Po) in France, and the University of Sussex in the United Kingdom.

“The board of MCEE understands the need for financial literacy among students and is committed to equipping the future leaders of the community,” said [Mary Ann Hewitt](#), Executive Director of the Maryland Council on Economic Education. “Simon and Helene’s experience translating financial research into real-world, applicable knowledge will help MCEE to develop more effective programs, strategies, and networks.”

About Maryland Council on Economic Education

For more than 60 years, the Maryland Council on Economic Education (MCEE) has worked to assure that Maryland’s school children leave high school equipped with the economic and financial literacy knowledge and decision-making skills they will need to make informed, rational decisions as consumers, workers, citizens, savers, investors, and participants in the global economy. MCEE is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization and affiliate of the national [Council For Economic Education](#).

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