



**Board of Directors
Governance Committee Report
March 23, 2023**

The Governance Committee completed its review of two board candidates – Christine Choi and Hardik Shah, both BoardLead matches – and is pleased to recommend their election as Directors.

Christine Choi

This will be Christine’s first not-for-profit board. Her resume is attached.

Christine met individually with Sarah, Jim, and Jane and then with the Governance Committee (Julian, Sonia, Tara, and Jane).

Christine lived in Korea, Canada, and the US growing up. Her undergraduate degree is from Cornell; she has an MBA from the University of Chicago. She has 15 plus years of experience across various lines of business in large banks. She worked overseas in Tokyo and Shanghai and returned to the US in 2015. She is a Senior Project Manager at JPMorgan Chase, Growth Financial Products, Affluent Segment.

ParentChild+’s mission resonates strongly with Christine given her personal experience as a mother of a one-year-old son and as an Asian-American. “While there are a lot of successful Asian families in the US, there are those that have just immigrated and are in need of support”. She would like to “bring equity to those families through books and a life long journey of learning”.

Christine plans to tap into JPMorgan Chase’s liaison who works with Asian-American staff to explore what partnerships might be possible with ParentChild+. She also is interested in friend and fundraising events/activities where families could participate with their children, so Resource Development and Communications is a possible committee for her.

Christine lives in NYC.

Hardik Shah

This will be Hardik’s first not-for-profit board. His resume is attached.

Hardik met individually with Sarah, Jim, and Jane and then with the Governance Committee (Julian, Sonia, Tara, and Jane).

Hardik immigrated from India with “200 in his pocket” to attend business school at Adelphi. He has twenty plus years of experience in banking and the mortgage industry. He is an Executive Director in Product and Innovation, Home Lending at JPMorgan Chase.

He has done volunteer work mentoring international students and interns. He does not have children, so is particularly interested in “How I can use my experiences and work success to help children”. Hardik is drawn to ParentChild+’s mission as his family taught him that “education is a passport for your future”. He sees his work in mortgage origination/home lending as a way to bridge the wealth gap for underserved communities and a way to help build wealth.

Hardik is connected in the community development and affordable housing world through his work. This is an area that ParentChild+ is interested in connecting with particularly around HBCC and workforce development, so Resource Development and Communications is a possible committee for him.

Hardik lives in the New York Region.

Respectfully submitted,
Jane C. Spencer
Chair, Governance Committee