



INDYCOG Announces Board Additions, Departure

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Samantha Cross, Gilbert Liu, Chris Wiggins and Joshua Brewster have been appointed to INDYCOG's board of directors. Additionally, former Board President Kevin Whited has been hired as the nonprofit's new executive director.



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News Release

INDIANAPOLIS, IND. –INDYCOG has welcomed four new members to our board of directors:

- Samantha Cross, Samantha Cross is the Director of Business Development for IndyGo overseeing marketing/communications/planning/scheduling and customer service. In her current position, Samantha and her team collaborate with numerous local organizations to promote alternative modes of transportation, including biking. IndyGo is a promotional partner for Indianapolis' Bike to Work Day. Samantha also serves on the Board of Storytelling Arts of Indiana, is a performer and authors a blog called popculturecrit. Samantha is a lifelong resident of Indianapolis and is committed to public service.
- Gilbert Liu, is an Associate Professor of Clinical Pediatrics at the Indiana University School of Medicine. He also holds adjunct faculty status with the IU School of Public Health, and the departments of geography and economics. He teaches general pediatrics and researches community based obesity prevention. His studies of how neighborhoods and schools affect health and health behavior have been supported by the National Institutes of Health, the US Dept of Education, and the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation. He is the chair for

the American Academy of Pediatrics' Pediatric Leadership Alliance. He lives in Indianapolis with his wife Shannon and his 3 sons, Ezra, Elijah, and Evan.

• Chris Wiggins, is the owner of A1 Cyclery located at 6847 West Washington Street in Indianapolis, and has worked in the bicycle business for the better part of 25 years. A radio/TV major at North Central College, he found himself working in a bike shop after moving to Indianapolis in 1988. Chris worked at a handful of local bike shops before buying A1 in 2003. He is, admittedly, a fair weather commuter. He enjoys racks, bags, baskets, fenders, canvas, leather and twine. He lives on the Indy's West side with his wife Amber.

• Joshua Brewster, is employed by the State of Indiana, Civil Rights Commission, where he is Deputy Director of the state agency charged with enforcing Indiana's anti-discrimination statutes. He holds a JD from the Indiana University School of Law and is currently board of the B&O Trail Association, an all-volunteer, non-profit organization working to develop a trail on the abandoned Baltimore & Ohio rail line from downtown Indy west to Illinois. He started the Indianapolis Bicycle Meetup, an online club for those interested in meeting other cycling enthusiasts and has passion for urban policy and planning, including equal opportunity for safe, affordable and healthy communities.

Additionally, Kevin Whited is departing from his role as board president and has been hired as INDYCOG's Executive Director. Mr. Whited was one of the founding members of INDYCOG and has presided as Board President since October 2010. He holds an MPA from Indiana University and has spent the last 18 years working in various facets of the transportation industry from intermodal freight sales, marketing and risk management at class I railroads, to Sustainable Transportation planning and research.

For a list of INDYCOG's current board of directors please see our website at www.theindycog.com/board

About INDYCOG:

INDYCOG's mission is to promote bicycling as a safe and viable means of transportation and recreation in Indianapolis. This membership-based organization started 2010, and is Indy's only bicycle education and advocacy group. In addition to running campaigns such as our current one to extend the hours of the Monon Trail, we also are involved in community building and fundraising events such as "2 Wheels, 1 City" and "Pedal Indy". INDYCOG also serves on the "Multi-Modal Task Force" for the Indianapolis Metropolitan Planning Office, the "Bicycle Advisory Council" for the Indianapolis Department of Public Works and the "Policy and Education Committee" at Health by Design. For more information visit our website @ www.theindycog.com or follow us on Facebook and Twitter @theindycog.

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