

Alex Baar

Board position applying for Seat #2

Serving on the Board will require a two-year commitment with monthly meetings, other planning sessions, and special events culminating up to 20 hours per month. Members may need to deal with public scrutiny and be expected to uphold the Code of Ethics, included with this application. A member of the Board must be a United States Citizen and be willing to have fingerprint/background check done before becoming a Board Member. Being a member of the Board will not promote your status regarding lottery placement of children.

Please initial AB if you understand and are willing to comply to the above statements.

What is your knowledge of Charter Schools in Idaho or elsewhere?

Very familiar with Charter Schools in Idaho and other states. All 3 of my children are enrolled at North Star Charter School.

How familiar are you with North Star Charter School's charter and bylaws?

Both my wife and I volunteer service4s and time at NSCS and are familiar with the charter and bylaws.

What do you understand is the main philosophy of the school/charter?

To help develop and turn out students who can think critically, and become virtuous citizen leaders in both the local and world community.

Have you visited North Star Charter School during operating hours and what is your opinion?

Yes, I have visited many times, and I have a high opinion of the NSCS operations, staff, and operating charter.

What impressions do you have about the current administration and staff at North Star Charter School?

I have had a positive impression and interaction with the administration and staff at NSCS. I have found them to be dedicated professionals, and doing a great deal of work, both expected, and beyond in service of their students and educational mission.

How did you hear about this position?

I have been aware of the board positions from my engagement in school events, and previous board meetings.

How (if at all) are you affiliated with North Star Charter School?

I am a parent of three children attending North Star. My wife has been a substitute teacher, a para, and has volunteered for many PTA/PTO activities that help NSCS students and staff. I have volunteered as a school chaperone for MOSS, and volunteered to help assist Eric D with his ongoing effort to updated NSCS technology strategy and roadmap efforts.

Is there any conflict of interest or relationship you would like to disclose that could be in question while serving on our board?

None aware of.

What experience(s) and traits do you possess that will be beneficial as a board member?

My experience with working with education clients/school districts in the area of technology strategy has given me unique insights into helping educational institutions, and how board members can help drive this.



When it comes to education, what are you passionate about?

I am passionate on helping students their maximum potential, and how a strong school environment can help them achieve their academic goals, character development, and virtuous citizenship education.

What do you feel is important in a K-12 educational program?

I believe in driving an educational program that fosters and enables strong academic achievement, intellectual confidence, good character, how to be a strong leader, and educational development in areas increasingly in demand in the modern world.

What is your knowledge of the International Baccalaureate Program?

I am familiar with the IB program, and its emphasis on helping students to think broadly, develop knowledge over 6 main areas of study, and how it can be considered equivalent to college credit work.

What do you see as the school's long term goal?

Continuing to drive a world class education, within a healthy learning climate, and ensure students are prepared for 21st century world and issues with critical thinking and confidence.

What changes do you feel would be beneficial to our school/charter?

Ensuring we have the back office capabilities and enhanced offering to help drive and support the rigorous learning environment that will help them achieve their maximum potential.

Do you have children? Ages or Grades

3 children at North Star Charter, 1 in 3rd grade, 2 in 6th grade

# Alex Baar

Boise Metropolitan Area

## Summary

Seasoned technology leader and strategist in multiple industry verticals over the past 15 years, working in management consulting, IT strategy, sales and engagement leadership.

In my current role, I act in an external CTO role capacity for strategic customers to help their C-suite leadership align their business strategic objectives with a winning technology strategy roadmap while leveraging creative technical solutions.

## Experience

### **Director, Technology Strategy at Microsoft**

Microsoft

Oct 2019 - Present (2 years 7 months +)

Partner with Microsoft strategic account customers to drive their technology strategy, while finding and ensuring alignment between our customer's vision and Microsoft's for cloud services and modern digital workspace.

Assisting the strategic accounts team in formulating and executing the team's sales strategy in meeting revenue goals and winning strategic initiatives.

### **Partner, Consulting**

DXC Technology

Jan 2018 - Oct 2019 (1 year 10 months)

Accountable for the North America Digital Transformation & Strategy practice, IoT offerings and related US & Canada Consulting group operations & business development leadership.

### **Director Consulting Services**

Fujitsu

Dec 2015 - Dec 2017 (2 years 1 month)

Accountable for N. America (US & Canada) Strategic Consulting (Operations & Business Development), and national Digital Transformation & Strategy practice.

### **Principal, Consulting**

Fujitsu Australia and New Zealand

Dec 2014 - Dec 2015 (1 year 1 month)

Accountable for East Australia Consulting organisation (Operations and Business Development), and national Digital Transformation & Mobility practices.

### **Director, Digital Transformation & Mobility**

Capgemini

Nov 2013 - Dec 2014 (1 year 2 months)

Accountable for Capgemini IPI Digital Transformation & Mobility Practice, for Asia/Pacific (Australia & New Zealand) operations & business development leadership.

### **Director, Digital Transformation**

Capgemini

Dec 2011 - Nov 2013 (2 years)

Accountable for Capgemini Technology and Engineering (West region) digital practice operational & business development leadership.

### **Director, Application Development & New Technologies**

Capgemini

Sep 2009 - Dec 2011 (2 years 4 months)

Accountable for Capgemini Technology and Engineering (West region) operations & business development leadership in Application Development & New Technologies practice.

### **SAP/ERP Management Leader**

First Solar

Jun 2009 - Sep 2009 (4 months)

SAP/ERP Systems Deployment & Management Lead for EPC division

### **Senior Program Manager**

DHL

2003 - 2009 (7 years)

## Education

### **Arizona State University**

Bachelor of Science - BS

### **University of Arizona**

Bachelor of Arts (B.A.)

## Licenses & Certifications

 **PRINCE2 Registered Practitioner** - APM Group Ltd

## Skills

Process Improvement • Integration • Strategic Planning • Leadership • Business Strategy • Management Consulting • IT Management • Business Intelligence • SAP Netweaver • Mobile Applications

**7/1995-10/2000 & 5/2001– 12/2004**

Business Analyst, Blue Cross of Idaho

- Large and national group health insurance setup
- Helped with transition to FACETs claims and eligibility system

**Education** **Maranatha High School – Boise, ID**

6/1995 GPA – 3.85

Valedictorian

**Passions/Pursuits** Enjoy supporting all five of my kids' school sports and activities, host church groups. Enjoy traveling and reading.

**Community Involvement** Helped with Back the Blue Idaho 2021. Serve in the nursery at Rockharbor Church in Meridian, ID. Helped foster a troubled youth in 2007.