

Board of Directors



Board Chair
**Chris
Wignall**

Chris Wignall is the chair of the board. He works with charity leaders locally, nationally, and internationally through his consulting business Lead With Catalyst. A long time friend of 541, Chris brings experience in board governance, strategy, and leadership development, along with a keen interest in how diverse communities can be mutually supportive. He lives with his family in Greenville, ON and enjoys all kinds of outdoor activities.



**Miranda
Crocket**

Miranda is a co-founder of 541 and served as a member of the staff team from 2014 to 2017. She holds a Masters of Social Work with a specialization in Human Services Management and Leadership. Miranda currently works as a Registered Social Worker with Indwell and brings her passion for mental healthcare and community development to her role on the board. Miranda lives in Dundas with her family and two dogs. She can usually be found with her hands dirty - either in the garden, at the pottery wheel or doing crafts with her toddler.



**Rachel
Courey**

Rachel Courey joined the board of 541 in the Spring of 2024. She works as a Program Manager with a local supportive affordable housing charity. Rachel and her family live in the neighbourhood and believe in the transformative work of building belonging amongst strangers and that pancakes make the best weekend breakfast. Rachel is experienced in program development and non-profit leadership.



Treasurer
**Barb
England**

After a 35-year career in the banking/financial industry in senior leadership positions Barb moved into the non-profit sector as the Executive Director of Operations at Compass Point Bible Church in Burlington, Ontario. 541 began as a project of Compass Point and falls under Barb's scope of responsibilities. Barb has been directly involved with 541 Eatery & Exchange for over 7 years, working closely with the 541 Executive Director, primarily providing management oversight, human resource support and financial/administrative support. Barb is passionate about the work of 541 to support the community in a unique and tangible way.



**Sigried
Janzen**

Sigried was born, raised and currently lives in the Niagara Region. Having seen first-hand what can be accomplished for under-served communities through dedicated and knowledgeable non-profit organizations, she has been a life-long donor of resources and volunteer of her time to both local and global efforts. In her professional career, Sigried was a financial advisor, mortgage underwriter, in management, with an interest and focus on startups. In retirement, she volunteers for a foundation vetting social enterprise applications for loans/grants. She believes in 541's mission "to create a diverse community of belonging around good food at the table".



**John
Schuurman**

John works as a business development coordinator with Flourish, one of Ontario's leading social purpose real estate development companies, an affiliate of Indwell, focusing on building affordable housing for people leaving homelessness. Previously, John earned a Masters in Social Work from Wilfrid Laurier University, and worked on Barton Street, supporting Hamiltonians reintegrating from incarceration. John has volunteered in various capacities with the 541 community since its inception in 2014, including at the cafe, Sunday church gatherings, and most recently with the board.