



## Leadership North Carolina Class XXIX

Orientation Session

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Karl Campbell is an associate professor of history at Appalachian State University, where he teaches North Carolina and recent United States history. Originally from Ohio, Karl received his B.A. degree in history and political science from Warren Wilson College in Asheville and his M.A. and Ph.D. in history from UNC Chapel Hill. Dr. Campbell's book *Senator Sam Ervin, Last of the Founding Fathers* won the North Carolinian Society Book of the Year Award for 2007. He has also published articles on civil rights, civil liberties, and North Carolina political culture. In 2002 one of his articles won the Connor Award for the best article published in the North Carolina Historical Review.

Karl is completing work on a biography tentatively titled *Governor Luther Hodges: Remaking the New South*. He has also recently completed two articles: "The Rise and Fall of the Progressive Plutocracy: Tar Heel Politics in the Twentieth Century" and "The Impact of World War I on Two Generations of North Carolina Leaders." In 2009 Dr. Campbell was inducted into the ASU College of Arts and Sciences Academy of Teachers. In 2012 he won the ASU Transforming North Carolina Research Award, and in 2020 he was named to the ASU Bell Ringer Society (for outstanding contributions to the history of the university). Karl's wife, Kathy, is the pastor of Crossnore Presbyterian Church, and his daughter, Joanna, is a graduate student at Duke University.

#### **Kristy Teskey**

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As a perpetual big thinker, problem solver, and meaning-maker, Kristy takes sparks of ideas and helps people and organizations bring them to life. She is an avid believer that great organizations are ones that fully align values, people, strategy, and culture. Always an educator at heart, she loves to facilitate and engage in knowledge-sharing that never fails to make all ideas stronger and better. Most of all, she strives every day to be an energy giver who helps breathe new life into "this is the way we have always done it."

Before joining Faster Glass, Kristy led the creation and collective planning process for the statewide cross-sector education initiative, myFutureNC; served as the inaugural executive director of the John M. Belk Endowment with a strategic vision toward systemic change in postsecondary education; and shaped the national education-to-workforce

philanthropic portfolio for The Bank of America Charitable Foundation. Kristy does not look at what she does as only a “day job.” She also channels her leadership and strategic thinking know-how into her community board roles at Leadership North Carolina, YWCA of Central Carolinas, and North Carolina State University’s School of Education Advisory Board.

Kristy earned a Master of Public Administration and Nonprofit Management (Summa Cum Laude) from University of North Carolina at Charlotte and an undergraduate degree from North Carolina State University in English Education. She lives in Charlotte with her husband and two fur babies, never far away from her sweet daddy, and is currently working on her Doctor of Education in Organizational Leadership from Northeastern University.

### **Leslie Boney**

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Leslie Boney leads the Institute for Emerging Issue’s efforts to identify key issues of importance to the state and develop consensus for action to address them. As Vice Provost for Outreach and Engagement, he coordinates NC State’s efforts to work with communities to address major challenges. Prior to coming to NC State, Leslie was Vice President for International, Community, and Economic Engagement at the UNC system office, coordinating efforts to extend university expertise and services throughout the state.

While serving in the NC Department of Commerce and Governor’s Office, Leslie coordinated the state’s efforts to redesign rural development policy, increase volunteerism, and reform welfare. At the nonprofit MDC, he managed a two-state effort to help rural communities recover from manufacturing job loss. A former teacher and reporter, Leslie currently serves on the advisory board for the NC Local News Workshop and co-chairs the “Future of Work” workgroup for the National Council on Competitiveness and Innovation. He received a B.A. from Amherst College.

### **Sarah Langer Hall**

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Sarah Langer Hall is the Senior Policy and Program Manager and works collaboratively with individuals from all sectors and areas of North Carolina to build capacity for collective action on issues facing the state’s long-term competitiveness. Prior to joining IEI, she worked on physical activity and nutrition policy at the N.C. Division of Public Health and evaluated a multi-level childhood obesity prevention program at UNC Chapel Hill. She also worked to support and scale coordinated school health programs at the N.C. Department of Public Instruction.