

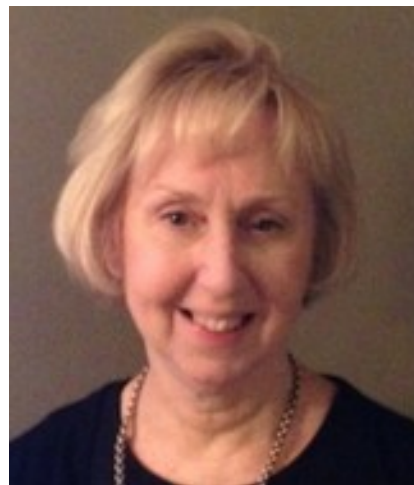
Board of Directors

Joseph Strayhorn holds a BA in psychology from Amherst College and an MD from Northwestern University Medical School. He completed his general psychiatry residency and research training fellowship at Duke University, then carried out a fellowship in Child and Adolescent Psychiatry at the University of Pittsburgh. He was a faculty member at the University of Pittsburgh and the Drexel University College of Medicine, and he has carried out several research projects on psychoeducation. From 1994 to 2021 he was in private practice, specializing in child psychiatry. He is now working with the Hutchings Psychiatric Center in Syracuse, New York. He is board chair and treasurer of OPT.



Natalie Pleczynski

Natalie Pleczynski acquired a B.S. degree in Human Resource/Early Childhood Development from the University of West Virginia and a M.S. degree in Early Childhood Education from the University of Pittsburgh. Natalie also completed the Child Life Specialist-Child Assessment Training Program at Pittsburgh's Psychoanalytic Center. She served as an Early Childhood Teacher (Head Start and Kindergarten) for the Pittsburgh Public Schools ending her time with the school system as a Reading First Coach supporting reading learning and instruction in Kindergarten through Third grades. She currently lives in the North Hills of Pittsburgh.



Kathleen Masters

Kathy Masters has a BA in Developmental Psychology from Purdue and over 30 years of experience as a catechist in Children's, Youth, and Adult Faith Formation. Kathy and her husband recently retired and moved to Edenton, NC. Now she loves spending afternoons volunteering at the Boys and Girls Club and using all of the OPT resources to assist their amazing students.



Robert Kyff

Rob Kyff is a teacher, writer and editor. A native of Armonk, N.Y., Mr. Kyff earned a BA at Amherst College and an MA in American studies at the University of Minnesota. Mr. Kyff has taught English, history and journalism at Kingswood-Oxford School in West Hartford since 1977 and has also served as the school's director of public affairs, editor of its alumni magazine, and advisor to the student newspaper. He writes a nationally syndicated column on language titled "The Word Guy" and has written three books about language. He lives in West Hartford, Conn. He is secretary of OPT's board of directors.



Amanda Kleinrock

Amanda Kleinrock grew up in South Florida and graduated from the University of Florida with a B.S. in Psychology. She then received a J.D. from Cornell Law School. Amanda previously served as a Staff Attorney with the Fair Housing Project at the Legal Aid Society of Palm Beach County, Inc., where she litigated matters of housing discrimination, foreclosure defense, and landlord-tenant law on behalf of low-income residents. She then worked as an attorney for the Harrison Institute for Housing and Community Development at Georgetown University Law Center and earned an LL.M. in Advocacy. Amanda represented tenant groups in Washington, D.C., in creating and/or preserving affordable housing by tenant participation in ownership and rehabilitation. She also supervised second- and third-year GULC law students in the Harrison Institute's Affordable Housing Transactions Clinic. Currently, Amanda serves as an attorney-advisor for the Social Security Administration in Miami, Florida.

