

Dr. Jason McConnell states why UW’s failure matters. It is imperative for all UW students to understand Wyoming’s government, both to act properly in civic affairs themselves and because Wyoming citizens without a college education inevitably will look to UW graduates for guidance in civic matters.⁸¹¹ UW has a chance to use POLS 1000 to offer a consistent, thought-provoking introduction to civic knowledge for the benefit of all residents. If UW does not take up the challenge to provide this introduction, who will?

BIOGRAPHIES: CAMPUS COMPACT OF THE MOUNTAIN WEST

Since this report makes a close study of four colleges in those two states, it will help to know who are Colorado and Wyoming’s local New Civics leaders. We cannot describe them all. We will instead give a brief account of **the leaders of Campus Compact of the Mountain West**, since this is the most influential regional New Civics organization in Colorado and Wyoming. It is also a way by which the different New Civics advocates at each university can coordinate their efforts.

Campus Compact of the Mountain West (CCMW) is the regional associate of Campus Compact for Colorado and Wyoming; it includes 22 university and college presidents from those two states. While it is formally a coalition of college and university presidents, it acts as a general sponsor and coordinator of the New Civics throughout those two states. CCMW’s Board of Directors, staff, and advisory committee double as the central promoters of the New Civics in these two states.⁸¹²

It is worth emphasizing that New Civics advocates in almost every college and university in Colorado and Wyoming know each other personally through their common membership in CCMW, and their attendance of CCMW meetings and CCMW-sponsored events. The New Civics’ effectiveness in Colorado and Wyoming depends upon the common membership and personal acquaintance built upon membership in CCMW, as well as in other regional organizations such as the Puksta Foundation.

Board of Directors



Paul Alexander is the Director of the Institute on the Common Good at Regis University—Regis University’s administrative center for New Civics. Alexander has degrees in Economics and Community Dialogue. Alexander represents the connection between the New Civics and progressive nonprofit organizations: he worked for more than twenty years in such nonprofits, and has spent eight years as Degree Chair for Regis University’s Master of Nonprofit Management Program.⁸¹³ **Alexander exemplifies the use of the New Civics as a staffing tool for progressive nonprofit organizations.**

811 Dr. Jason McConnell, Interview by Craig Keller, June 16, 2016.

812 Campus Compact of the Mountain West: “About”, <http://www.ccmountainwest.org/about>; “Our Members,” <http://www.ccmountainwest.org/members>.

813 Campus Compact of the Mountain West, “Paul Alexander,” <http://www.ccmountainwest.org/paul-alexander>; “Paul . K. Alexander,” <http://academic.regis.edu/palexand/PKA%20Bio.htm>.



Paul Baumann is the Director of the National Center for Learning and Civic Engagement (NCLCE) at Education Commission of the States (ECS). Baumann's first career was as a music teacher, and he received his doctorate in Education Policy. ECS is a national organization advocating for state-level changes in education policy; NCLCE, based out of Denver, works to have state legislators pass laws to insert the New Civics into all levels of education.⁸¹⁴ **Baumann is the bureaucrat working to make the New Civics mandatory by way of legislation in every one of the fifty states.**



Andrew Dorsey has been the President of Front Range Community College since 2009. Dorsey has degrees in economics, business administration, and counseling psychology. He spent his career as a legislative director, in nonprofit administration, and as a professor, before moving into academic administration. Dorsey has provided his imprimatur for the New Civics, but he does not appear to have forwarded New Civics activities himself, other than by joining the Board of Directors of CCMW.⁸¹⁵ **Dorsey is the president who provides the New Civics access to a community college system, but appears to be interested in the New Civics for the utilitarian purpose of providing internships and jobs for his students.**



John Fitzgibbons, S.J., is the President of Regis University. He was ordained in 1985, and has received degrees in philosophy, English, Divinity, and moral theology. He has served in both church and academic administration, and has been president of Regis since 2012. Fitzgibbons appears to have no personal commitment to the New Civics, but as Regis' president has adopted the university's longstanding institutional commitment to the New Civics.⁸¹⁶ **Fitzgibbons' presence registers the extension of the New Civics into America's system of Catholic higher education.**

814 Campus Compact of the Mountain West, "Paul Baumann, <http://www.ccmountainwest.org/paul-baumann>; Education Commission of the States, <http://www.ecs.org/>; Education Commission of the States, National Center for Learning & Civic Engagement, <http://www.ecs.org/initiatives/national-center-for-learning-civic-engagement/>.

815 Campus Compact of the Mountain West, "Andrew Dorsey," <http://www.ccmountainwest.org/andrew-dorsey>.

816 Campus Compact of the Mountain West, "John Fitzgibbons, S.J.," <http://www.ccmountainwest.org/john-fitzgibbons-sj>.



Michele Haney has been the President of Red Rocks Community College since 2008. Haney received degrees in political science and counseling, and worked as a professor before moving into academic administration. While Red Rocks has a service-learning program, there does not appear to be a major institutional commitment by Red Rocks to the New Civics.⁸¹⁷ **Haney, like Dorsey, provides the New Civics access to a community college system, but appears to be interested in the New Civics for the utilitarian purpose of providing internships and jobs for her students.**



John Trujillo is the Vice President & Senior Portfolio Manager Private Wealth Management at UMB Bank. Trujillo received his degrees in finance and business administration, has made a career in finance, and serves on the boards of several philanthropic organizations. One of these organizations, INROADS, works to provide internships and jobs for racial minorities—but includes “community service and leadership projects.”⁸¹⁸ **Trujillo represents the financial class that supports the New Civics, under the misapprehension that it is engaged in genuinely philanthropic activities.**

Staff



Stephanie Schooley has been Executive Director of CCMW since 2010. She received her degrees in History and Conflict Resolution, and she has served as an AmeriCorps VISTA member. She has made her career at Campus Compact, where she has worked to develop and implement the New Civics.⁸¹⁹ **Schooley is the mid-level bureaucrat who is devoting her career to spreading the New Civics throughout Colorado and Wyoming.**

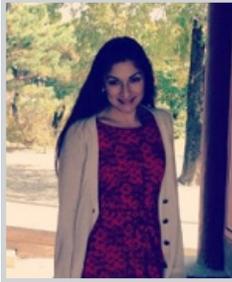
817 Campus Compact of the Mountain West, “Michele Haney,” <http://www.ccmountainwest.org/michele-haney>; Red Rocks Community College, Meet the President and Leadership Team, <http://www.rrcc.edu/about-us/leadership>; Red Rocks Community College, Service Learning, <http://www.rrcc.edu/catalogs/14-15/service-learning.htm>.

818 Campus Compact of the Mountain West, “John Trujillo,” <http://www.ccmountainwest.org/john-trujillo>; Inroads, Are You Ready for INROADS?, <https://www.inroads.org/students/are-you-ready-inroads>.

819 Campus Compact of the Mountain West, “Stephanie Schooley,” <http://www.ccmountainwest.org/stephanie-schooley>.



Jami Hiyakumoto is AmeriCorps Program Director. She received degrees in education and nonprofit management, and has worked in nonprofits and public service for more than twenty years.⁸²⁰ Hiyakumoto, like Schooley, **is a mid-level bureaucrat who is devoting her career to spreading the New Civics throughout Colorado and Wyoming.**



Amy Ezhaya is SECond Mission AmeriCorps VISTA Leader. Ezhaya received her degrees in International Relations and Education. She has worked with AmeriCorps VISTA for several years, focusing on student veterans.⁸²¹ **Ezhaya is a junior bureaucrat devoted to spreading the New Civics; she represents the capture by the New Civics of patriotic devotion to America’s veterans.**



Katie Kleinhesselink is Director of Members Services. She has a degree in Public Administration. She was introduced to “community engagement” as an AmeriCorps member, and has since worked in community organizing, service learning, and community engagement throughout the Mountain West.⁸²² **Kleinhesselink is the professional progressive activist the New Civics seeks to create, now early in her career.**

820 Campus Compact of the Mountain West, “Jami Hiyakumoto,” <http://www.ccmountainwest.org/jami-hiyakumoto>.

821 Campus Compact of the Mountain West, “Kate Kleinhesselink,” <http://www.ccmountainwest.org/katie-kleinhesselink>.

822 Campus Compact of the Mountain West, “Amy Ezhaya,” <http://www.ccmountainwest.org/amy-ezhaya>.



Ashley Edinger is Campus Vote Coordinator. Edinger, currently an undergraduate at the University of Denver working on a BA in Socio-legal Studies and Political Science, has worked as a Public Achievement Coach, where “she has introduced over 150 high school students to civic engagement, and has coached them through public work initiatives built around social justice issues they are passionate about.” She has also worked as a Democracy Fellow at New Era Colorado, “participating in and leading grassroots field campaigns surrounding voter registration, ballot measures, and other local issues.”⁸²³ **Edinger is another example of the professional progressive activist the New Civics seeks to create, now preparing for her career.**

Advisory Committee



Ryan Campbell is the Compact Service Corps and Student Programs Coordinator, Metropolitan State University. His background is in outdoor education and recreation professions.⁸²⁴ **Campbell coordinates the New Civics program at Metropolitan State University.**



Loree Crow is the Associate Director for Honors, University of Northern Colorado. Her degrees are in Social Science, Business Administration, and Educational Leadership.⁸²⁵ **Crow coordinates a major New Civics program at the University of Northern Colorado; she represents the New Civics infiltration of the academy via “Honors Programs.”**

823 Campus Compact of the Mountain West, “Ashley Edinger,” <http://www.ccmountainwest.org/ashley-edinger>.

824 Campus Compact of the Mountain West, “Ryan Campbell,” <http://www.ccmountainwest.org/ryan-campbell>.

825 Campus Compact of the Mountain West, “Loree Crow,” <http://www.ccmountainwest.org/loree-crow>.



Anne DePrince is the Director of the Center for Community Engagement and Service Learning, University of Denver. She has received a doctorate in psychology.⁸²⁶ **DePrince coordinates the New Civics program at the University of Denver.**



Cara DiEnno is the Associate Director, CCESL, University of Denver. She has received degrees in environmental studies, biomedical sciences, and environmental communications. DiEnno manages DU's Public Achievement program; her work "is grounded in her own commitment to social justice and engagement."⁸²⁷ **DiEnno helps DePrince coordinate the New Civics program at the University of Denver; her presence in the CCMW Advisory Committee registers the regional importance of Harry Boyte's neo-Alinskyite community organizing.**



Rena Dulberg is the Director of Community Service, Academic Affairs, Johnson & Wales University. She has received degree in Psychology and Conflict Resolution; she led the New Civics ("Community Leadership Institute") unit within Johnson & Wales, and now is rising to higher administrative positions as Director of Campus Academic Initiatives.⁸²⁸ **Dulberg has coordinated the New Civics program at Johnson & Wales, and is ascending to a position where she can promote the New Civics throughout her university.**

826 Campus Compact of the Mountain West, "Anne DePrince," <http://www.ccmountainwest.org/anne-deprince>.

827 Campus Compact of the Mountain West, "Cara DiEnno," <http://www.ccmountainwest.org/cara-dienno>.

828 Campus Compact of the Mountain West, "Rena Dulberg," <http://www.ccmountainwest.org/rena-dulberg>; Rena Dulberg, <https://www.linkedin.com/in/renadulberg>.



Shanna Farmer is the Community-Based Research Coordinator, Colorado State University Pueblo. Farmer has received degrees in Political Science and Organizational Leadership. Farmer runs the Regional Access to Graduate Education (RAGE) Program at Colorado State University-Pueblo.⁸²⁹ **Farmer coordinates the New Civics program at CSU-Pueblo; the name of the program she runs, RAGE, registers the cult of anger that the New Civics promotes.**



Jane Fraser is the Professor and the Chair of the Department of Engineering, Colorado State University-Pueblo. Fraser has received degrees in mathematics and Industrial Engineering & Operations Research. She has spent part of her professional career promoting STEM education, including via the Colorado Alliance for Minority Participation.⁸³⁰ **Fraser represents the capture by the New Civics of the desire to increase solid technical education among America's student body.**



Margit Hentschel is the Director of the Office of Service-Learning, Colorado State University. Hentschel is working on her doctorate in Peace Education.⁸³¹ **Hentschel coordinates a major New Civics program at Colorado State University.**



Veronica House is the Associate Faculty Director for Service-Learning and Outreach in the Program for Writing and Rhetoric, University of Colorado Boulder. She has received degrees, in English, French, and Poetry.⁸³² **House coordinates a major New Civics program at CU-Boulder; her presence registers the New Civics' infiltration of introductory and remedial writing programs.**

829 Campus Compact of the Mountain West, "Shanna Farmer," <http://www.ccmountainwest.org/shanna-farmer>.

830 Campus Compact of the Mountain West, "Jane Fraser," <http://www.ccmountainwest.org/jane-fraser>.

831 Campus Compact of the Mountain West, "Margrit Hentschel," <http://www.ccmountainwest.org/margit-hentschel>.

832 Campus Compact of the Mountain West, "Veronica House," <http://www.ccmountainwest.org/veronica-house>; Veronica House, <https://www.linkedin.com/in/veronica-house-a775914>.



Brandon Kosine is currently a Psychology Instructor at Casper College and Interim Dean of the School of Social and Behavioral Science. He was formerly was Associate Director in the Wyoming Union at the University of Wyoming, where he ran the Service, Leadership & Community Engagement Office and the Campus Activities Center. He has received degrees in Psychology, Clinical Psychology, and Counselor Education & Supervision. Among his initiatives are the institutionalization of service-learning at the University of Wyoming, and leadership of the UW Safe Zone program, “a program designed to increase the overall campus community’s understanding and awareness of issues faced by lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer/questioning (LGBTQ) and other marginalized persons.”⁸³³ **Kosine has planted the New Civics in Wyoming; he also registers the alignment of the New Civics with gay activism.**



Brittany McGarry is the Student Activities Coordinator, Johnson & Wales University. McGarry received her BA in Communications, and her Masters in College Student Development. McGarry did a year of service at AmeriCorps VISTA/Maine Campus Compact, and has also engaged in New Civics and sustainability activities during her time in graduate school.⁸³⁴ **McGarry registers the New Civics takeover of Student Affairs; she also registers the New Civics’ success in placing progressive activists into academic administration.**



Erin Olsen is the Coordinator of the Office for Service, Leadership, and Community Engagement, University of Wyoming. She has received degrees in International Business, Spanish, and Counselor Education.⁸³⁵ **Olsen, the successor of Brandon Kosine, represents the second-generation New Civics bureaucrat, who transforms a small New Civics program into a large one.**

833 Campus Compact of the Mountain West, “Brandon Kosine,” <http://www.ccmountainwest.org/brandon-kosine>; Casper College, “Brandon Kosine,” <http://www.caspercollege.edu/brandon-kosine>.

834 Campus Compact of the Mountain West, “Brittany McGarry,” <http://www.ccmountainwest.org/brittany-mcgarry>.

835 Campus Compact of the Mountain West, “Erin Olsen,” <http://www.ccmountainwest.org/erin-olsen>.



Deborah Romero is the Director of Engagement, University of Northern Colorado. She has received degrees in applied languages, educational psychology, and education.⁸³⁶ **Romero coordinates the New Civics program at the University of Northern Colorado.**



Peter Simons is the emeritus Director of the Institute for Ethical and Civic Engagement, University of Colorado Boulder, now renamed as CU Engage. Simons has received degrees in Psychology, Public Administration, Liberal Studies. Simons made CU-Boulder into the foremost center of the New Civics in Colorado and Wyoming.⁸³⁷ **Simons represents the now-retired New Civics advocate who successfully implanted New Civics into higher education during the course of his career.**



Sarah Steward is the Career and Community Engagement Coordinator, Naropa University. She received a BA in Sociology and Management and an MS in College Student Personnel.⁸³⁸ **Steward coordinates a New Civics program at Naropa University.**



Candace Walworth is the Chair of Peace Studies at Naropa University. Walworth states that she teaches and researches “socially engaged spirituality, the socially engaged imagination, and the practice of dialogue in conflict transformation”; she works via Naropa’s Interdisciplinary Studies on “peace, social justice, and sustainability.”⁸³⁹ **Walworth registers the New Civics infiltration of interdisciplinary programs.**

836 Campus Compact of the Mountain West, “Deborah Romero,” <http://www.ccmountainwest.org/deborah-romero>; University of Northern Colorado, “Deborah Romero,” http://www.unco.edu/provost/about_us/deborah_romero.aspx.

837 Campus Compact of the Mountain West, “Peter Simons,” <http://www.ccmountainwest.org/peter-simons>.

838 Campus Compact of the Mountain West, “Sarah Steward,” <http://www.ccmountainwest.org/sarah-steward>; Sarah Steward, <https://www.linkedin.com/in/sarahsteward>.

839 Campus Compact of the Mountain West, “Candace Walworth,” <http://www.ccmountainwest.org/candace-walworth>; Naropa University, “Candace Walworth,” <http://www.naropa.edu/faculty/candace-walworth.php>.



Gretchen Wheeler is the Director of the Center for Learning through Service, Casper College. She has received an MA in communication and performance. Wheeler institutionalized service-learning at Casper College, by creating the Center that she now directs.⁸⁴⁰ **Wheeler coordinates and promotes the New Civics program at Casper College.**



Sandy Wurtele is the Associate Dean for Community Partnerships & Programs, University of Colorado at Colorado Springs. She has received degrees in psychology and clinical psychology.⁸⁴¹ **Wurtele is head of UCCS's Service-Learning Internship and Community Engagement Center (SLICE), the major New Civics program at UCCS.**

840 Campus Compact of the Mountain West, "Gretchen Wheeler," <http://www.ccmountainwest.org/gretchen-wheeler>.

841 Campus Compact of the Mountain West, "Sandy Wurtele," <http://www.ccmountainwest.org/sandy-wurtele>; University of Colorado, Colorado Springs, Psychology Department, "Sandy K. Wurtele, PhD," http://www.uccs.edu/psych/sandy_wurtele.html.