

BOARD APPLICATION

Name: <u>Tiffany Jiemin Zhang</u> Date: <u>6/15/24</u>
Title: <u>Director of Little Panda Preschool</u> Organization: <u>Little Panda Prescholl</u>
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Length of time in that position:17_ Email:
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Areas of Interest/Expertise: (Mark all appropriate items) ☐ Collaborative Partnerships ☐ Tourism
☐ Strategic Planning ☐ Governance & Organizational Structure ☐ Advocacy ☐ Legal ☐ Financial ☐ Economic Development ☐ Marketing ☐ PR & Communications ☐ Program planning / Events ☐ Other
Demographic Information
OAA uses this information to gauge its effectiveness in recruiting a diverse group of volunteers.
Male Female Prefer not to say
Ethnicity/Race Please identify your racial, ethnic and/or cultural background, if comfortable.
 White / Caucasian Hispanic / Latino Black / African American Native American / American Indian Asian Pacific Islander Prefer not to answer Prefer to self describe

• 25-34 years old • 35-44 years old • Over 65 • 45-54 years old



Education

High school degree or equivalent
Doctorate
Bachelor's degree (BA, BS...)
Other ______
Master's degree (MS, MA, MEd...)

Other affiliations:			
No			
Other boards			
No_			

1. Please describe your professional role and how it relates to OAA and supporting the organization.

As the Director of the Little Panda Preschool, which is at 1944–1946–1948 Ocean Avenue, my professional role involves overseeing the daily operations, curriculum development, and community engagement activities of our preschool. My position allows me to contribute to the vitality and growth of Ocean Avenue by providing quality early childhood education, which in turn supports local families and contributes to the neighborhood's development. By joining the Ocean Avenue Association (OAA), I aim to collaborate with local businesses and organizations to create a thriving community where both families and businesses can prosper.

2. Please describe your prior involvement or interests with the organization?

While I have not been previously involved with the Ocean Avenue Association, I have a keen interest in community development and have actively participated in similar organizations in other

neighborhoods. My background includes organizing community events, participating in local business improvement districts, and advocating for educational initiatives. My interest in the OAA stems from a desire to bring these experiences and my dedication to community service of the Ocean Avenue corridor.

3. What is or has been your involvement in the OAA?

Although I have not yet been directly involved with the OAA, I have attended meetings and events to familiarize myself with the association's objectives, current projects, and community members. I have also discussed our community's needs and aspirations with local business owners, residents, and city leaders. I am eager to bring a fresh perspective and new ideas to the board, leveraging my experience in community engagement and educational leadership.

4. Please describe the goals and objectives you would like to accomplish as a member of the organization Board.

As a member of the OAA Board, I have several goals and objectives:

- Enhance Community Engagement: Foster stronger relationships between local businesses, residents, and institutions to create a supportive and interconnected community.
- **Promote Local Education:** Advocate for initiatives that support educational programs and facilities, recognizing their vital role in community development.
- **Support Economic Growth:** Collaborate with local businesses to develop strategies that attract new customers, increase foot traffic, and enhance the economic vitality of Ocean Avenue.
- Improve Public Spaces: Work on projects that enhance the aesthetic appeal and functionality of public spaces, making Ocean Avenue a more inviting place for families and visitors.
- Sustainable Development: Encourage sustainable practices and green initiatives that promote environmental stewardship within the community.
- **5.** Please include other information that is relevant to serving on the Board.

My background in early childhood education and community engagement uniquely positions me to contribute to the OAA Board. I hold a degree in Early Childhood Education and have near two decades of experience in educational leadership. Additionally, I have successfully led several community-based projects, including family outreach programs and local events that have brought together diverse groups. My leadership skills, coupled with my commitment to fostering a vibrant and inclusive community, align with the goals of the OAA. I am enthusiastic about the opportunity to bring my skills, experiences, and passion for community service to the Ocean Avenue Association.