

# TAN POH LENG, STANLEY - Chairman

Stanley is a proud and happy father of two daughters; a businessman; and a committed humanitarian.

With more than three decades of real estate investment experience in Singapore, New Zealand and Australia, his portfolio comprises townships, commercial, retail, industrial and residential developments.

He currently chairs the South Central Community Family Service Centre, is Co-Chairman of the Asia Philanthropy Circle and a member of the Honorary Advisors of the Asia New Zealand Foundation.

Stanley was previously Vice-Chairman of Singapore Red Cross Society, member of the Charity Council, Chairman of Beyond Social Services, and Chairman of the National Volunteer & Philanthropy Centre. He also co-founded The Hope Fund, MILK (Mainly I Love Kids) Fund, Community Foundation of Singapore and the Centre for Non-Profit Leadership.



### MOHD FAHMI ALIMAN - Co-Chairman

Mohd Fahmi Aliman was elected as a Member of Parliament (MP) for Geylang Serai under Marine Parade Group Representative Constituency (GRC) in July 2020. He was also appointed as Mayor of the South East District.

Fahmi served under the Singapore Armed Forces (SAF) for 26 years. In 2011, he led the National Day Parade as Parade Commander. Fahmi was promoted to Director of the Changi Regional Humanitarian Assistance and Disaster Relief (HADR) Coordination Centre (RHCC) in 2018.

In 2019, Fahmi joined the labour movement under the National Trades Union Congress (NTUC) as part of their administration and research unit. Since April 2020, he has served as Director of the Operation and Mobilisation Division Secretariat.

Fahmi was born in 1972 and is married with four children, three boys and a girl. During his leisure time, he enjoys spending time with his family, as well as maintaining an active lifestyle. In particular, he enjoys running, cycling and golfing.



## MELVIN POON - Deputy Chair

Melvin is on the board of Common Purpose Asia Pacific P/L, a not-for-profit organisation that inspires and equips leaders to work together across boundaries.

Active in community service, he previously served in two local charities (council member), a family service centre (board), primary school (advisory council), neighbourhood committee (chair) and currently as treasurer of a citizens' consultative committee.

He was also appointed to the council of the Singapore Scout Association and awarded the Pingat Bakti Masyarakat (Public Service Medal) by the Singapore Government in 2019.

Melvin spent 23 years in PwC LLP and was a senior audit partner. He was seconded to its New York, Sydney, Beijing offices over the years and is a member of the Chartered Accountants Australia and New Zealand.



#### **AU HUEY LING** - Director

Huey Ling graduated from the National University of Singapore with an LLB (Hons) Degree and was called to the Singapore Bar in 1995. Huey Ling did her pupillage with Allen & Gledhill LLP and was made Partner in 2000.

She practised at Allen & Gledhill LLP for more than 20 years and was a senior Partner of the firm, specialising in debt capital markets.

Described in Chambers Asia-Pacific (2012) as an impressive practitioner and in Chambers Global (2015) as being regarded as a highly notable "key partner" in the debt capital markets sphere, Huey Ling was also consistently listed in Best Lawyers (2014 to 2017 editions).

She left legal practice in 2016 to spend more time on the family and other interests.



### CHRISTINA TANG-LIEN - Chair, Student Care

Christina has a Bachelor in Education, Psychology from The University of Melbourne, a Masters in Education, School Counselling from University of Buffalo, SUNY and an Advanced Diploma in Special Needs Education, Singapore. She has been a member of the Singapore Association of Counselling since 2010.

Christina obtained her Diploma in Early Years Learning, Montessori Education, London in 1990 and started her career in 1991 as an Early Childhood Educator in Hong Kong, Beijing and Singapore for 20 years.

In 2007, she moved on to work with at-risk teens and from 2009 to 2018, was at St Joseph's Institution where she was tasked to build and train a team of counsellors. She was also responsible for putting together a Careers and Cyber Wellness Programme, working closely with the Ministry of Education to roll out these initiatives as nation-wide programmes.



### CHUA JOAN KEAT - Chair, HR

Joan Keat is Chief Financial Officer of GYP Properties, a Singapore listed real estate group with offices in Singapore and New Zealand.

He has over 25 years of financial management, investment, regulatory reporting and technical accounting experience in PwC and multinational companies where he was Head of Treasury and Investment Services at Aviva and Financial Controller at Axa. Joan Keat joined the Board of South Central Community Family Service Centre since 2017.

Joan Keat graduated with a Bachelor of Accountancy from Nanyang Technological University in 1996. He is a member of the Chartered Accountants of Australia and New Zealand, the Institute of Singapore Chartered Accountants and CFA Institute.



# FRANCESCO CARUSO - Chair, Disciplinary

Francesco has been involved in philanthropy in Asia for the last 20 years. As the Head of the Firetree Group (www.firetree.org) oversees its philanthropic giving and programmes.

He spends his time between Singapore, the Philippines, Thailand and Cambodia, working with the management and Boards of welfare, social work and child protection organizations as director and/or advisor as well as thought partner and funder.

During his philanthropic career, Francesco has co-built and managed non-profits such as a Cambodian organization working with thousands of vulnerable children, youth and families and led the restructuring of a leading children's healthcare organization based in Siem Reap. In the Philippines he co-founded and still manages the Tondo Community Initiative, a social work and child-protection organization working in Tondo, Manila.

Since relocating to Singapore in 2020 from Hong Kong, Francesco co-founded and is a director of the Asia Community Foundation, serves as a director of South Central Community Family Service Centre and chairs the Firetree Philanthropy Foundation.

Previous to his work with non-profit institutions, Francesco worked in finance and business development in North America and Europe. He holds a LLM degree (International Law) and a Master Degree in Management.



### **GAIL TAN** - MSF Representative

Gail is currently the General Manager in the Ministry of Social and Family Development (MSF)'s Social Service Office.

Since graduating from the National University of Singapore (NUS), Gail has had a rich experience in the Ministry, with diverse portfolios ranging from front line work in child protection, juvenile rehabilitation, to service capability planning and policy work.

With interest in both practice and public policy work, Gail undertook a Master in Social Science (Applied Psychology) to complement her front line experience and later attained a Master in Public Administration at the Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy. In 2011, Gail received the National Day Commendation Medal in recognition of her work with the Ministry.

In recent years, Gail has developed an interest in water sports, cooking and photography.



#### **LAURA POH** - Chair, Facilities

Laura has been a firm advocate for children and their education.

She has been a member of MILK (Mainly I Love Kids) Fund since 2004. MILK helps financially disadvantaged children, ensuring they are not left behind through transformational programmes.

She is a founding member of Compassion Fund which started in 2006 and continues to sit on its Board. Compassion Fund is a crisis response fund that supports students from low-income families facing a recent death, illness or accident of a family member, resulting in loss of income.

Laura is on the Board of South Central Community Family Service Centre and chairs its KeyStart Housing Stability Programme Credit Committee. KeyStart is a scheme that helps low income families with young children in HDB rental flats achieve housing stability through sustainable home ownership.



### **LIU YUEH MEI** - Chair, Programmes

Yueh Mei is co-founder and CEO of edtech startup HeyHi, a platform that harnesses Al-enabled technology to empower online education. She also co-founded and runs a healthcare services startup Optimimed that provides diagnostic imaging outsourcing services to the public hospitals and serves on the board of Metropolitan YMCA Singapore.

An experienced educator - after 15 years with MOE schools and MOE HQ, she trained teachers globally; reviewed and wrote educational materials; provided consultancy services, and served as a part-time lecturer to the National Institute of Education (NIE), Singapore, Marshall Cavendish Institute and Scholastic International,. She holds a Master in Education (MEd) with NIE/NTU, Singapore, a Master of Arts in Education (MA) with Stanford University, USA and published a professional development book "Mathematical Problem Solving - The Bar Model Method" with Scholastic International.



#### **PEGGY MOH** - Director

Peggy is the CEO of The Moh Foundation which focuses on education, vision care, and social services. The foundation develops boarding schools for students in grades 1-9, facilitating access to education for the ethnic minority children in Daliang Mountain, Sichuan.

She earned her B.S. in Accounting from NYU Stern School of Business, has been working at the Moh's family office managing their business ventures and is a board member of the Weingarten Learning Resource Center at the University of Pennsylvania.

After having lived in Shanghai for 20 years, Peggy's family recently relocated back to Singapore.



# **SHARON TAY** - Chair, Finance

Sharon has been a member of the Chartered Accountants Australia and New Zealand since 1992.

She started her career and training in 1989 with Coopers and Lybrand in Sydney, Australia. She subsequently joined Chemical Bank in Singapore in 1992 and was with the organisation for 10 years through its mergers with The Chase Manhattan Bank and JPMorgan holding various regional roles.

Sharon has since spent her time with family and community work including Hospice Care Association (2009), Compassion Fund (2009-2013) and ParentLink at Methodist Girls' School (2011-2017).



#### **STANLEY FOO** - Alternate to Mohd Fahmi Aliman

Stanley is an entrepreneur, running different businesses around South East Asia. He is currently the Vice-President of a Trade Association and is serving as a council member in the Singapore Chinese Chamber of Commerce's Trade Association and Membership committee.

Stanley is very active in community service and he has been a grassroot leader serving in various grassroot organisations since 1999. He is currently the Chairman of a Citizens' Consultative Committee.

Stanley received a National Day Award for his services to the community; he was conferred the Public Service Medal (PBM) by the President of the Republic of Singapore.



#### **THOMAS KNUDSEN** - Director

Thomas Knudsen is the Managing Director of the Toll Group, a company owned by Japan Post. Thomas has spent his entire career in Transport & Logistics and worked in Asia, Middle East, Europe and North America.

Thomas was born in Denmark but has been based in Singapore since 2010 and is now a proud Singaporean citizen.



# **DR S VASOO** - Honorary Advisor

Dr S Vasoo graduated from the University of Hong Kong with a PhD and a MSW in Social Work. He obtained his Diploma in Social Studies with distinction from the University of Singapore. . He was awarded the Jean Robertson Book prize in his Social Work Master course.

He was a Member of Parliament in the Government of Singapore from 1984 to 2001. Dr. Vasoo is now NUS Emeritus Professor located in the Department of Social Work, National University of Singapore.

He authored a number of monographs on social issues and has published various such articles both internationally and locally. He was awarded the Honorary Life Member of the Singapore Association of Social Workers for his outstanding contributions to social work in Singapore. He was the Member Parliament from 1984 to 2001 and he served as Chairman of Government Parliamentary Committee for Community Development.

He now volunteers as advisor to various committees of community organizations including the Singapore Central Community Development Council. He was appointed Justice of Peace, Singapore in 2005 and now retired .He was awarded Distinguished Alumni Ward (2007) of the Faculty of Social Sciences, University of Hong Kong.