

July 2017 Board Meeting with Discussion & Networking

SPEAKER BIOS



David Houseman

David was a computer engineer, executive, CTO and COO with 40 years experience in technology, high-tech, simulation and training. Competencies include: Business, strategic and product planning, operations, and development, with experience in personnel management, marketing, logistics, customer service, IT, HR, non-profit and intellectual property. David has started his own software company, spent the majority of his career with large, multi-national computer corporations but most recently as COO helping a small, medical training company grow significantly. At

Unisys he helped develop their telecom line of business. He is currently a SCORE small business counselor and Chairman of Chesconet, a non-profit regional Internet Service Provider. He was a past Board member of the American Homebrewers Association, Golden Cradle Adoption Agency and the Executive Advisory Boards of Drexel University's Electrical and Computer Engineering Department, the University of Virginia's Department of Electrical Engineering and the College of Integrated Science and Technology of James Madison University.



MaryFrances McGarrity

MaryFrances is Senior Vice President, Business Development Services for the Chester County Economic Development Council (CCEDC). In her current role, MaryFrances' efforts are focused on programs and initiatives that attract, retain and grow businesses in Chester County. At the Council, MaryFrances works with the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development as the representative of the Council directly interfacing with the Governor's Action Team (GAT) and other state agencies as needed. She regularly meets with local corporate

decision makers identifying capital, facilitating financing, addressing workforce issues, and assisting with site selection needs.

MaryFrances also has 10 years of sales and marketing experience in commercial real estate while working for Jackson Cross Partners. She sits on the Board of Directors for the Chester County Industrial and Investment Council and West Chester Lightning. She holds a Bachelor of Science from St. Joseph's University in Management & Marketing from St. Joseph's University, and a Bachelor of Science from Immaculate University in Elementary Education. She is a member of PIAA (*Pennsylvania Interscholastic Athletic Association, Inc.*) – Brandywine Chapter as a girl's high school basketball official. She and her family are twenty-five year residents of West Chester, Pennsylvania.