Get Involved in Chamber Committees

Through committee involvement, members have the opportunity to affect change in areas specific to their business and make important business contacts. Committee Meetings are held at the Chamber Office Conference Room unless otherwise noted. If you are interested in participating in any of these committees, use our online committee application to submit your request.

Ambassadors Committee

- Meets monthly on the 2nd Tuesday at 8:30am in the Cardinal Lounge in the Sheraton Hotel
- Limited to Chamber members only
- Committee Chair: Kristin Baumgardner and Matt Podoll
- Staff Representative: Membership Manager

Public Relations arm of the Chamber. Welcomes, greets and introduces new members at Chamber fundraising events, monthly mixers, ribbon cuttings and community events. Read more about the Ambassador commitee >>

Events Committee

- Meets monthly on the 2nd Tuesday at 12 noon at the Poolside Grill in the Sheraton Hotel
- Limited to chamber members only
- Commitee Chair: Colleen Gerstner
- Staff Representative: Events Manager

Oversight on all programs and events. Decide on mixer venues. Discuss ways to increase participation for events. View the Chamber Event Calendar >>

Board of Directors

- Meets monthly on the 3rd Thursday at 8:30am (rotating locations; call Chamber office for more info)
- Limited to elected chamber members only
- Board Chair: Rebecca Teutschel
- Staff Representative: Paul Wright, President and CEO

These business and community leaders are advocates for the Palo Alto community. They represent a cross section of businesses from the standpoints of sector and size, and bring a wise collective insight and high caliber of expertise to their positions while generously volunteering their time.

Executive Committee

- Meets monthly on the 2nd Thursday at 8:30am at the Chamber
- Limited to elected Chamber members only
- Board Chair: Rebecca Teutschel
- Staff Representative: Paul Wright, President and CEO

Finance Committee

- Meets monthly on the 2nd Monday at 4pm at the Chamber
- Limited to Chamber members only
- Committee Chair: Lanie Wheeler, Palo Alto Community Child Care
- Staff Representative: Paul Wright, President and CEO

Oversight on annual budget, review monthly finances. Present monthly finances to board.

Government Action Committee to BAPPF

- Starting in January, the BAPPF will meet the first Wednesday at 12noon and locations will be announced each time
- All Palo Alto Chamber members are invited to attend
- Committee Chair: Rachael Gibson, Santa Clara Valley Water District
- Staff Representative: Paul Wright, President and CEO

Monitors local government actions and policies plus maintains communication with local and regional officials; develops positions on city, county and state issues impacting business community; interacts with and provides input to city on matters regarding economic development; actively supports and assists in implementing key projects that involve business attraction, retention and expansion.

Palo Alto Business Goes Green Committee

- Committee Chair: Carroll Harrington
- Staff Representative: Paul Wright, President and CEO

This committee is in its formulative stage. Please contact Carroll Harrington for additional information.