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## ***WEDU PBS Board Elects New Members***

### **WEDU PBS Announces Returning Board Members during January Meeting**

**Tampa, FL** — The Board of Directors of **WEDU PBS**, West Central Florida’s primary public broadcasting station, elected new members at the organization’s January board meeting.



**Andrew A. Bragg** retired in 2007 as Vice President of Finance and Administration of Time Customer Service, Inc., a subsidiary of Time, Inc. Since then he has volunteered with SCORE as a small business counselor and is a blog writer on career transition. His community involvement also includes United Way of Hillsborough County, Consumer Credit Counseling Services of the Florida Suncoast, Junior Achievement, Take Stock in Children and Leadership Tampa. He received his Bachelor of Science in Administrative Science in 1971 from Yale University and his MBA from Dartmouth College in 1978. Andy is a former member of WEDU’s Community Advisory Board and resides in St. Petersburg.



**Garrett Shinn** is a partner in the tax division at Shinn & Co. He is a certified public accountant who specializes in strategic tax planning, estate & gift planning, retirement planning, agribusiness, healthcare and multi-generational businesses. He has served on the Chamber of Commerce in both Manatee and Sarasota County, on the Board of Advisors for the Lakewood Ranch Community Fund and the NowUp Foundation. He has also served as a Co-Chair of the Florida Finance Alliance and the Lakewood Ranch Business Alliance. From 2012–2013, he was a member of Leadership Manatee. Shinn has also served on the Board of Directors for We Care Manatee. He received his Bachelor of Science degree and Fifth Year Accounting degree from the University of South Florida.



**Maj. Gen. Karl R. Horst** retired after 40 years of service in the United States Army. During his time in the service, he served as Chief of Staff for U.S. Central Command at MacDill AFB. Shortly after his retirement, Horst began his second career, joining the Dimmit Automotive Group in Clearwater as the senior Leadership Executive and the General Manager for the Cadillac segment of the group. Horst received his bachelor’s degree from the United States Military Academy and a master’s degree in Public Administration from Shippensburg University in Pennsylvania. He is a graduate of the U.S. Army War College. He also attended the University of North Carolina Kenan-Flagler Business School Executive Development Program.

WEDU also welcomed returning board members **Richard J. Dobkin**, retired Managing Partner of Ernst & Young in Tampa and **Heidi Shimberg**, Marketing Executive with Hyde Park Builders in Tampa.

#### **ABOUT WEDU PBS**

WEDU is West Central Florida’s leading PBS station reaching 16 counties through media platforms including on-air programming and online experiences that broaden horizons, transport and transform and open gateways to new ideas and new worlds. Financially supported by the community, the organization offers a wealth of award-winning inspirational, educational and enlightening content over a variety of multi-media platforms including: television programming, station website, [www.wedu.org](http://www.wedu.org) and various social media platforms, monthly member magazine *Premiere*, educational outreach activities and a myriad of special events. WEDU’s focus on the local community has resulted in the station being regarded as a beacon of trust for men, women and children of every walk of life no matter their age, ethnicity or socio-economic status. WEDU is a treasured community resource; a window to the world for the homebound and a vital educational source for the youngest members of society. WEDU prides itself on its position in the Tampa Bay community as a leader, partner, informed citizen and a member of PBS, the most trusted institution in America (ORC International’s DualFrame CARAVAN, January 2016). For more information, program schedules or to support WEDU visit [www.wedu.org](http://www.wedu.org); WEDU Public Media on Facebook and Twitter (@wedupbs) or call (813) 254-9338.

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