Denver Scholarship Foundation Announces Aleah Horstman, PhD as Chief Development Officer (CDO) and Patricia Schwartzberg as Chief Financial Officer (CFO)

Denver, Colo. – Denver Scholarship Foundation (DSF) announces the appointment of Aleah Horstman as Chief Development Officer (CDO) effective July 24, 2018 and the appointment of Patricia Schwartzberg as Chief Financial Officer (CFO) effective July 1, 2018.

Horstman comes to DSF having most recently served as the Chief Operating Officer of Arapahoe House, and has more than 20 years of strategic leadership and service on teams focused on fund development and communications including time with Planned Parenthood and Metro State University of Denver. She has been an active volunteer throughout the sector and the community as well, serving as board president of the Association of Fundraising Professionals Colorado Chapter, event chair of National Philanthropy Day in Colorado and completing Leadership Denver. Horstman has a Master of Science degree in Social Administration from Case Western Reserve University and her Doctor of Philosophy in Public Affairs from the University of Colorado Denver.

The CDO serves as part of the Executive Leadership Team of DSF and is responsible for the vision, oversight and management of all fundraising, marketing, communications, and resource development strategies.

Patricia Schwartzberg comes to DSF having nearly 20 years’ experience in small business. Schwartzberg worked in municipal government, serving as the Manager of Revenue for the City and County of Denver and Director of Internal Audit for the Denver Auditor’s Office. As Manager of Revenue, she oversaw financing for the construction of Denver International Airport, highlighted by elevation of bonds from junk to rated and insured status among construction delays. Schwartzberg started her professional career as a CPA, working for Coopers-Lybrand before transitioning to the municipal sector.

She is passionate about education and has been involved in educational support as a parent, volunteer, and advocate for more than 20 years. Schwartzberg graduated from New Mexico State University with degrees in Business and Finance.

The CFO serves as part of the Executive Leadership Team of DSF and is responsible for oversight of the Foundation’s finance, budgeting, cash flow and accounting activities, as well as human resources and information technology.

Since its founding in 2006, DSF has awarded $36 million in scholarships to more than 6,300 students, of whom 91 percent are students of color. Some 70 percent of DSF Scholars are the first in their family to attend college. Over DSF’s 11-year history, 76 percent of all Scholars have graduated or are working towards a degree or certificate program. DSF provides college access services to DPS students through 12 high school Future Centers serving 21 high schools and college success serves 1,800 Scholars annually through written partnerships with 31 Colorado colleges, universities and technical schools.
About the Denver Scholarship Foundation
Denver Scholarship Foundation (DSF) is a 501(c)(3) public charity whose mission is to inspire and empower Denver Public Schools’ (DPS) students to achieve their college goals. A direct service provider, DSF provides college and financial aid advice to Denver students and families and offers a renewable, need-based scholarship to support Scholars throughout their college careers. DSF also partners with colleges across Colorado to implement retention strategies that help Denver students complete their college education. DSF aims to create systemic change to prepare Denver’s youth to succeed in today’s evolving workforce. For more information, www.denverscholarship.org or connect with us on Facebook or Twitter.