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DBL's National Board Adds University of Washington Leadership with Tim Cibula

CENTRAL POINT, OR – At the July 21st quarterly board meeting earlier this month, Dogs for Better Lives' (DBL) Board of Directors unanimously approved new member, Tim Cibula. With this appointment, DBL's national board of 14 members hit a new milestone. Outside of eight members representing southern Oregon's Rogue Valley, the national board now has members from five other states across the country, including Washington, North Carolina (2), Florida, Minnesota, and Massachusetts.

"The Board of Directors are pleased to see Tim join DBL's national board, stated Board Chairman David Hollingsworth. "Tim brings a unique skillset and background from academia that will immediately benefit our efforts to take this national Assistance Dog organization to the next level."

Growing up as an Oregonian and now preparing to split his time between Washington State and Oregon, Tim has longstanding ties to the Pacific Northwest.

"As DBL further advances its regional and national reach, community partnerships, strategic specialized marketing, and financial management have been and will continue to be critical to our success," stated President & CEO Bryan Williams. "From committee participation to philanthropic engagement, Tim will play strategic roles in helping to advance DBL in the Pacific Northwest and nationally as a leader in the Assistance Dog world."

Tim Cibula

Tim is the Director of Finance and Administration for the Department of Ophthalmology at University of Washington (UW) School of Medicine. Prior to UW, Tim was a department administrator at Oregon Health & Science University (OHSU), Oregon's only medical school. He has worked in medical school administration roles for over twenty years.

"I believe in the mission of Dogs for Better Lives and its ability to engage with different groups and provide needed services. I appreciate the opportunity to work with this excellent organization and look forward to watching it grow." Tim's longtime love of dogs, passion for the critical work nonprofit organizations endeavor on, and his desire to help create an impactful difference, make him a great fit for the DBL board of directors.

The Cibula family lives on Bainbridge Island, Washington. Sherry and Tim Cibula have three kids: Joe, Ben, and Clare, all of whom are in college currently. The family enjoys camping and hiking together in the Pacific Northwest. They recently lost their beloved Trixie, a Blue Heeler / Border Collie mix who herded them for thirteen years.

To learn more about DBL's National Board of Directors and/or with inquiries in joining the board, visit... <https://bit.ly/2BrQZfU>.

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