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### PPIE Hires New Executive Director

PLEASANTON, Calif., August 19, 2016 – Pleasanton Partnerships in Education Foundation (PPIE) is pleased to welcome Steve McCoy-Thompson as its new Executive Director. McCoy-Thompson joins PPIE as an experienced nonprofit executive, who brings over 25 years of leadership and development experience with corporate, nonprofit and governmental entities.

“We feel fortunate that Steve has joined PPIE as Executive Director,” said Stephen Hilton, PPIE Board President. “His experience and demonstrated success align perfectly with PPIE’s goals to increase fundraising, enhance stakeholder outreach, and further define our strategic plan.

“Steve’s involvement and familiarity with both corporate and nonprofit settings will serve PPIE well,” Hilton added.

McCoy-Thompson has served in senior positions with Deloitte Consulting and Bechtel Corporation as well as Executive Director of Urban Solutions, a Bay Area nonprofit dedicated to supporting small business. During his career, he has lived and worked throughout the world, including years abroad with family in India and China.

A 20-year Pleasanton resident, McCoy-Thompson and his wife Meri have two children, Matthias and Marie, who attended Pleasanton schools. He has been actively involved in the community, including as a youth basketball coach, Cub Scout leader, PPIE volunteer, member of the Catholic Community of Pleasanton, and founder of Community to People, a local nonprofit. He is also the author of four books, including two of historical fiction for young readers.

“We are thrilled to welcome Steve as our new Executive Director,” stated PPIE Board Vice-President Kelly French. “He brings a tremendous amount of nonprofit experience to PPIE as well as strong leadership skills. His commitment to the Pleasanton community and his enthusiasm for our mission will ensure PPIE’s success during our next phase of development.”

“I am excited and honored to serve PPIE and the entire Pleasanton community,” McCoy-Thompson said. “PPIE has a strong history of supporting local schools, teachers and students. I look forward to expanding our impact, collaborating with an increasingly diverse community, and building connections with our key stakeholders to create the kind of environment where our children will thrive.”

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*About Pleasanton Partnerships in Education Foundation:* PPIE is a nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization dedicated to supporting Pleasanton public schools. For over 25 years, PPIE has worked to enhance education throughout the Pleasanton Unified School District through a partnership of business, education and community. PPIE raises funds to support critical programs for our students that have been threatened in recent years by state budget cuts, and to fund projects enhancing educational excellence for all students.

The organization raises funds through its Annual Giving Fund Campaign, as well as managing donations from corporations and community leaders and conducting major events including the annual Run for Education held every spring.