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Featured Board Member Jim Drayton

With his background in the banking, finance and real estate industries, Jim Drayton's professional experience and skill make him a good choice for President of the MWMA Board of Directors, a position he was elected to in December 2013. A 13-year resident of MetroWest, Jim combines his financial acumen with a passion for community service to help manage our association wisely and well. This is Jim's second time as a board member, having previously served from 2010-2011.

The Drayton family—Jim, his wife Debi and step-daughter Elizabeth—moved to Orlando from Atlanta in 2000, when Debi accepted a job transfer from her employer. "We chose MetroWest for its location and amenities, and we have loved living here," says Jim. Today Debi Drayton is a Vice President/Administrative Manager with Merrill Lynch while Jim owns Orlando Home Loans, a mortgage company. He is also a member of the Windermere Rotary Club, and enjoys golf for relaxation.

Jim finds board membership rewarding in several ways. "For one thing," he says, "I can apply my professional experience in money management to our community's fiscal matters, an area of importance to everyone who lives here. I'm also a big believer in being active in community affairs, and board membership is a great way to serve the community." From his vantage point on our association's governing body, Jim sees a MetroWest committed to building on its reputation as one of Orlando's premier places to live and work. "We are not a "status quo" community," he says. "We are innovative and forward-thinking, and today we're working harder than ever to achieve excellence in all areas of life."

