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Joining & building inclusive communities in the supplement industry



## Show Announcements:

- Download the Mobile App to view the Exhibitor List, Show Schedule, Floor Plan and our Sponsors.
  - Thank you to our Mobile App sponsor: Epicor (Booth 4465)
- Wi-Fi Sponsored by Cactus Botanicals (Booth 4237)
  - Select network: SupplySideWest23
  - On the splash page, agree to terms & conditions
  - Enter access code: cactus4237 (access code is case sensitive)
- Please place all devices on silent mode
- The Expo Hall is open today from 10am 5:30pm.
- There is an LGBTQ + Allies Networking reception tonight from 5:30-7:30pm in South Pacific Ballroom F.

This reception is in partnership with the Naturally Proud Network.





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#### Sandy Almendarez

SupplySide





#### Michelle Martin Cypress Systems Inc.

**Franck Gillet** 

Naturally Proud Network



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# Naturally Proud Network (NPN)

Developing a sense of belonging

## NATURALLY PROUD NETWORK





- + Creating spaces and social networks gathering where individuals from diverse backgrounds, identities, and perspectives are **welcomed**, **respected**, **and valued**.
- + Fostering a **sense of belonging** and equity for everyone, regardless of their race, ethnicity, gender, sexual orientation, disability, religion, age, or any other characteristic.
- + A need for a **sense of belonging for the LGBTQ community** in our industry





- + 2018 July NBJ Summit
  - How a casual conversation during a lunch break lead to the creation of an LGBTQ+ Nutraceutical & Natural Professional Network between Randy Kreienbrink and Ken Seguine

#### + 2018 - September – Natural Product Expo East

- + Original first meeting of what we now call Naturally Proud Network.
- + Creation of a Linked In group

#### + 2018 – November – Supply Side West

+ First meeting with the soon to be NPN board at Rhythm and Riffs -Mandalay bay

#### + 2019 – October

+ First official event with the tremendous support of Informa

#### + 2019 – October 21<sup>st</sup>

- + Official Incorporation date of NPN as a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization
- + Goal : professional networking offering a place for visibility and encouragement
- + Philanthropic organization / fundraising events Spotlighting charity









NATURALLY PROUD NETWORK

### **Board Members**



#### Franck Gillet (He/Him)

**Co-Founder / President** VP of Sales - North America Nexira



#### Crystal Webber, MS, RD (She/her) Vice President Founder & CEO Niche Nutrition LLC

Randy Kreienbrink, CFS (не/ніт) Co-Founder / Treasurer VP Sales & Marketing Artemis International



#### Gabriel Paulino (не/нім) Co-Founder / Secretary Co-Founder & Chief Product Officer Renegade.bio



#### Harper Hall (They/Them)

**Board Member** 

Global Flavor Applications and Technical Service Leader PureCircle by Ingredion



#### Steve Siegel (He/Him)

Board Member VP Sales & Marketing

Ecuadorian Rainforest



Kurt Callaghan (не/ніт) Board Member Global Strategic Director, Sugar Reduction PureCircle Office of the CEO at Ingredion Incorporated





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- + Making a Difference Together Supporting Local Organization
- + Donation Tracker: \$47,117
- + Organizations NPN has supported:





#### + LGBTQ+ Allies Networking Reception

## + Join community members and allies for an evening of drinks, networking and fun!

#### Tonight at 5:30pm

+ Location: South Pacific Ballroom F



## Women In Nutraceuticals



#### + Mission

+ Empower women in nutraceuticals to unlock their personal and professional potential

#### + Vision

+ Achieve economic and societal equity to change the global nutraceutical industry



## Women In Nutraceuticals began in November 2021



- + 10 dedicated and passionate people in multiple countries
  - + Zooming multiple times a month, questioning, collaborating, and forging a path to launch an organization that helps create a better tomorrow for our industry.
- + We started with a question
  - + What will it take to start to make a change? Discussions were our first step, but developing and committing to goals and KPIs was critical to fundamental change.



# Our evolution and fun along the way







Information Classification: General

## In ONE Year...



**400+** members



10 inaugural mentorship class members

2,600+ LinkedIn followers

60+ editorial placements in all industry media outlets

50+ sponsors & partners

501c3 US tax status

NBJ award winner



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# End – Thank You

