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Former Director and Disney Leader Retires

Congratulations to Ben May, former Board Director and Walt Disney Company Global Business Development Director on his retirement this summer after more than 17 years of service.

Ben made an indelible impact on FLASH by bringing his leadership, vision, and hopeful spirit to the organization. He championed the unprecedented idea of disaster safety as an Epcot “edu-tainment” experience, and helped create the award winning [*StormStruck: A Tale of Two Homes*](#). Thanks to this groundbreaking collaboration, more than 5.5 million Disney guests experienced a story that made them safer from disasters.

Born in Oklahoma City, Ben received a B.A. with Honors in Public Affairs from the University of Oklahoma and a Master’s Degree in International Communications from the American University’s School of International Service in Washington, D.C. A Phi Beta Kappa graduate, Ben is fluent in German and Russian. He is a former fire fighter and fire commissioner who writes, speaks and educates fire and emergency service organizations on the contribution marketing management can make to their critical public mission.

On behalf of the entire FLASH Partnership, we thank Ben for his extraordinary service.