



CANDIDATE STATEMENTS FOR 2018 BALLOT



Barry Cynamon

I am the Chief Financial Officer of Better Future Forward, where we raise and deploy money for education investment by low income individuals. We designed our own financial instrument, which indexes payments based on the borrower's income. I am the architect of the model we use to forecast incomes and set contract prices. I am also a RHOC holder, a future network validator, and an active member of this community.

This past year has been exciting for software development and disappointing for Coop development. The Coop mission is delivering a performant blockchain platform and effective governance. To deliver against that mission, the Coop might need to raise more money, but first it must regain the trust of members. We need to do three things:

1. Set up a clear road map for the Coop including a detailed budget to get beyond the launch of Mercury to the release of Earth.
2. Put strong corporate controls in place and restrict the discretion of the Coop to deviate from the road map without Board approval.
3. Straighten out the Coop's current liquidity problem and provide clarity about the distribution of RHOC/REV.

If I am elected to the Board, I will attend every board meeting, review available documentation to make informed decisions, and assist the Audit and Finance Committee. I will use my experience as a management consultant and financial executive to introduce a disciplined approach to planning and budgeting. I will also communicate openly with members and push for member participation.



Christoph Frehsee

- Why vote for me -

I am passionate about the intersection of technology, social responsibility, and sustainability. I believe that rchain can provide and power solutions exactly at these intersections. As an independent director I want to provide perspective and guidance on strategic planning, investment decisions and sustainable growth practices.

- What I would like to accomplish for rchain -

I believe that these are very exciting but also critical times at rchain. My highest priority is to ensure the Coop's **longevity** and **relevance**.

Links:

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I plan to spearhead two initiatives:

- 1) Budget planning that supports a 3-year strategic plan to guide leadership on investment decisions.
- 2) Promoting diversity through thoughtful and strategic member outreach and recruiting. Study after study has shown that diversity leads to more creative teams, better decision making and better outcomes in organizations.

- About me -

I am an international entrepreneur and educator. Currently I am an adjunct professor at Stanford University teaching “New Frontiers and Opportunities in Sustainability”

Prior to that I started and sold two successful mission driven companies.

In 2004 I co-founded MineWolf systems, which in just 4 years became the world market leader of mechanical landmine clearing solutions.

In 2010 wife Linda Balti and I learned that fashion is the 2nd most polluting industry after oil so we decided to start the sustainable fashion label Amour Vert.

I have lived, studied, worked and taught in Africa, Europe, Asia and North America and traveled to more than 60 countries.



Kevin Goldstein

Hello [你们好] RChain Members and Community at-large,

I am running for the RChain Board of Directors. Many of you do not know me, yet I have heard a lot about you. So first, some background on how I've come to know you.

I met Jacob Bassiri at a Galaxy Digital event in NYC over 1 year ago and we have been sharing insights with one another consistently over coffee for hours on end. Jacob's passion and intuitions in RChain's technology scalability and governance are admirable.

I also know you because I've worked with Wall Street, the hedge fund community to which I created and sold technologies and services, one of the Big Four accounting firms (KPMG), startups, entrepreneurs & technologists, and global businesses (with a heavy focus in Asia) my whole life. This is to say, I've lived the dramas (ups and downs) we are experiencing first-hand. So I know the feeling of leadership, of community, of investors, and of the untapped market observing RChain from the outside.

This brings up a critical point - I am more than anything else - an independent, unbiased outsider. While I have a personal crypto portfolio, I have no RChain (RHOC) holdings.

So who am I? My LinkedIn bio is on point:

“Competitive, compassionate, mindful and seasoned business professional with uncommon leadership, management and communication skills who is forever curious, seeking of new challenges and readily adapting to them.

Extensive experience in finance, technology and cybersecurity and a proven record of accomplishment in strategic planning, new business concept initiation and implementation, product/service management, operations management, business development, sales and marketing.

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From startups to large, mature businesses demonstrable, proven success adapting, leading, managing, developing and motivating cross-functional teams that create and deliver value while meeting and exceeding business objectives. Expertise in revenue generation, establishing strong partnerships, employing innovative approaches and, when desired or needed, serving as an agent of change.” (<https://www.linkedin.com/in/kevinmgoldstein/>)

What will I do for RChain? I will attempt to re-establish trust and to create a comfort and confidence that leadership, current and new members and investors in RChain can believe in. My platform includes:

- Support IoB 5
- Financial transparency and audit
- Increase liquidity via multiple major (top 20) exchange listings
- Maximize the number of validators
- Identify and develop strategic partnerships to facilitate the growth of RChain’s global ecosystem

Why can I accomplish this? I have a broad network within crypto. I advise the senior leadership teams at Signature Bank (an American, full-service commercial bank, based in New York City Ticker: SBNY (Nasdaq) and CohnReznick (the 11th largest public accounting firm in the United States) on their blockchain/crypto strategies.

I also officially advise startups in the space, including BlockFi (investors include ConsenSys Ventures and Galaxy Digital founded by Mike Novogratz), Cadence (investors include Coinbase Ventures) and Vision Hill Advisors (a leading crypto and blockchain focused fund of funds), helping the founders strategize, negotiate, and raise capital and have done so since their inception.

I would be remiss if I did not mention that my wife, Coco Kee, is also my business partner (<https://www.linkedin.com/in/cocokee/>). Coco, in addition to being my better-half, is also my Asian half. We share a breadth of experience and relationships to bear for one-another.

I have already had a few 1 on 1 conversations, in addition to my interview with the board, to gain several nuanced perspectives on RChain, the challenges, the past and the future. I look forward to continuing to meet every single one of you and to growing this community together.

Sincerely,
Kevin M. Goldstein
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Medha Parlikar

I came to the RChain project with ~ 20 years experience managing technical teams, building and shipping large scale web applications. The businesses I have been involved with span content delivery systems, AI, analytics, compliance and financial systems. My roles in these organizations have included Director of QA, Engineering Director, Program Manager and Product Manager. My goals are to share my experience and expertise with the Coop management team and board of directors, so that the Coop can make better decisions and manage itself more effectively. I am presently managing the core development team for RChain.



Navneet Suman

Bio:

Navneet is an adherent of decentralization and has been involved with cryptocurrencies for several years. He has two decades of experience in the finance and technology industries including startups. Previously, he worked for advisory firms and startups in varying capacities and was intimately involved with all aspects of the product development lifecycle. He was a co-founder of a startup and was part of third generation blockchain, RChain as a founding contributor and as a member. He has been contributing to The RChain Cooperative since its inception and is a board member since last Oct 2017. In his current position, he works with early-stage startups on business strategy and technology and his focus area is the Blockchain use case in the real world and technology startups in general.

He is fascinated by finance, philosophy and human behavior in general. During his free time, he enjoys outdoors with his family and lives in the Seattle area.

Proposals:

This year has been very exciting for Coop in many ways and we would like to continue the momentum of building our ecosystem. We need a platform where people can feel home, and our ecosystem can enable people to forge a meaningful relationship because of our governance model and superior technology stack. He plans to work with the rest of the board and our community members to streamline the following.

- Finances and financial transparency
- Process, change controls, and corporate governance (this will include greater and meaningful involvement from the wider community)
- Focus on delivering a viable and functional platform and promote the benefits of our ecosystem
- Work with partners and stakeholders in a more cohesive way
- Promote an inclusive ecosystem which includes open and meaningful dialogue (Remember the first amendment and let's not forget that we are part of a cooperative)