

## NWBC WELCOMES TWO NEW MEMBERS

WASHINGTON, D.C., July 2, 2019 -- The National Women's Business Council (NWBC) announces two new Council members.

"I'm pleased to welcome Rebecca Hamilton, CEO of Badger, and Sandra Robert, CEO of the Association for Women in Science (AWIS)," said Liz Sara, NWBC Chair. "As a full Council, we are ready to tackle action-based results while bringing the voices of women-owned businesses to the White House, Congress, and the Small Business Administration."

Rebecca Hamilton is a second generation owner and co-CEO (Collaborative Executive Officer) at Badger, a natural and organic personal care products manufacturer known for its unique company philosophy, pioneering family-friendly benefits, and community engagement.

Sandra Robert is the CEO of AWIS, a national professional association that champions the interests of women in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) across all disciplines and employment sectors.

With the addition of these trailblazers, NWBC will continue to focus its advocacy efforts on Women in STEM, Rural Women's Entrepreneurship, and Access to Capital and Opportunity. NWBC remains committed to advocating for women in business and expanding opportunities for women business owners and their enterprises.

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## Welcome to the Council



### [Rebecca Hamilton](#)

Owner and CEO, Badger

Read Rebecca Hamilton's full bio [HERE](#)

## NWBC in the News



July 1, 2019 -- [NWBC member Rebecca Contreras and Nicole Cober discuss their journey to small business success on CEOs & Soul Talk.](#)

## Forbes

June 27, 2019 -- [Diminished access to capital inhibits the growth, both in terms of revenue and employees, according to Access to the National Women's Business Council](#)



June 23, 2019 -- [NWBC Council member Jessica Flynn on ABC Channel 6.](#)





## **Sandra Robert**

CEO, Association of Women in Science

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[Statistics and Obstacles Facing Women Entrepreneurs](#)



June 21, 2019 -- [Rebecca Hamilton Appointed to the National Women's Business Council](#)



## **Liz Sara**

Chair, National Women's Business Council

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# Forbes

June 19, 2019 -- [How Women Can Get the Loans Their Businesses Need](#)



## **Barbara Kniff-McCulla**

Owner and CEO, KLK Construction

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May 23, 2019 -- [NWBC Council member Nicole Cober featured in Washington Business Journal - People on the Move](#)



## **Bonnie Nawara**

Chair, Association of Women's Business Centers (AWBC)

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May 22, 2019 -- [Red Sky Founder And CEO Appointed To National Women's Business Council](#)



## **Jen Earle**

CEO, National Association of Women Business Owners (NAWBO)

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## **Jessica Flynn**

Founder and CEO, Red Sky

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## **Marsha Firestone**

President and Founder, Women Presidents' Organization (WPO)

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## **Marygrace Sexton**

Founder and CEO, Natalie's Orchid Island Juices

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## **Monica Stynchula**

Founder and CEO, REUNIONCare Inc.

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## **Nicole Cober**

Principal Managing Partner, Cober Johnson and Romney (CJR)

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### **Pamela Prince-Eason**

President and CEO, Women's Business Enterprise National Council (WBENC)

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### **Rebecca Contreras**

President and CEO, AvantGarde LLC

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### **Shelonda Stokes**

President and CEO, GreiBO

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### **Vanessa Dawson**

Founder and CEO, The Vinetta Project

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## **Events & Engagement**

### **NWBC Hosts Women in Small Business Roundtable - Baltimore, MD**

As part of its '[Women in Small Business Roundtable Series](#),' the National Women's Business Council (NWBC) held a roundtable in Baltimore, Maryland, on June 25, 2019, to better understand the

specific challenges and opportunities for women's entrepreneurship in Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM).



*Left to Right: NWBC Council Members Pam Prince-Eason, Sandra Robert, Shelonda Stokes, NWBC Chair Liz Sara, NWBC Council Members Monica Stynchula, Vanessa Dawson, Bonnie Nawara, and Nicole Cober*



*NWBC Women in Small Business Roundtable at Hilton Baltimore in Baltimore, MD*

[Click HERE to read more about NWBC's Women in Small Business Roundtable Series](#)

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## [NWBC Chair Liz Sara Addresses WBENC Leaders](#)

NWBC Chair Liz Sara addresses Women's Business Enterprise National Council (WBENC) leaders at the 2019 National Convention and Business Fair



*WBENC 2019 National Conference and Business Fair*



*NWBC Chair Liz Sara speaking to WBENC leaders*



*NWBC Member and President & Founder of Women Presidents' Organization  
Marsha Firestone addressing the WBENC 2019 National Conference*



*NWBC Member and President & CEO of WBENC Pam Prince-Eason welcoming the audience to the WBENC 2019 National Conference*

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## **NWBC Executive Director Nina Roque at WIPP Conference**

Executive Director Nina Roque joins Candace Waterman, President & CEO of Women Impacting Public Policy (WIPP) at the WIPP Conference in Washington, DC.



## NWBC Chair Liz Sara at the National Association of Business Owners & Entrepreneurs

NWBC Chair Liz Sara participates in National Association of Business Owners & Entrepreneurs (NABOE) 'Three Things Every Business Owner Should Know!' discussion.



## NWBC Executive Director Nina Roque at Diana Impact Day

NWBC Executive Director Nina Roque moderates Diana Impact Day panels connecting research to practice.



## NWBC Chair Liz Sara Joins NAWBO Advocacy Day



NWBC Chair Liz Sara joins the National Association of Women Business Owners (NAWBO) Advocacy Day to discuss NWBC's policy priorities for 2019 and the importance of access to capital for female founders.



*NWBC Chair Liz Sara addressing members of NAWBO*

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*NWBC Chair Liz Sara and U.S. Senator Ben Cardin (D - MD)*

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### **About National Women's Business Council**

The National Women's Business Council (NWBC) is a non-partisan federal advisory council created to serve as an independent source of advice and policy recommendation to the president,

Congress, and the U.S. Small Business Administration on economic issues of importance to women business owners. To learn more, please visit: [www.NWBC.gov](http://www.NWBC.gov)