



***Sachiko Oba-Cote***

*Secretary*

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*Since 2010, Sachiko Oba-Cote has worked as Secretary at the American Associates of the STS forum (AA-STS), a 501(c)(3) charitable organization in New York City that supports Science and Technology in Society (STS) forum, a worldwide conference for top leaders to discuss “Lights and Shadows of Science and Technology” from the long-term viewpoint of humankind. AA-STS is responsible for securing the best contents and fund-raising opportunities from the U.S. At the AA-STS, Sachiko works for planning and developing the organization’s fundraising plans, Board resolution items, and budget and compliance, as well as managing all activities for the charitable organization to execute its missions.*

*Prior to the Secretary position, Sachiko was Founder of the award-winning K-12 educational website, International Kids’ Space, a 501(c)(3) charitable organization, and worked as Executive Director. It was an advanced digital-learning site for children and classrooms participated from over 170 countries and regions. Within the site, they learned different cultures from each other by exchanging artworks, music performances, compositions, and various kind of writings and opinions. Kids’ Space provided a human-monitored safe communication system for free to foster young generation’s creativity and International friendship.*

*Because of its safety features and well-designed learning contents, Kids’ Space was gained international recognition including awards at the Multimedia Grand Prix, Network division” MMCA and MITI, Tokyo, Japan in 1995, Childnet Award 1st place at the non-profit division, London, UK in 1998, or Nasdaq Education Award at the Tech Museum California, USA in 2000, as well as featured at programs ESPN or Canadian Discovery Channel, and in magazines including Parents, Presidents, Cosmopolitan, PC fan, or Doors.*

*Sachiko has published several books about different styles of writings and presentations between the US and Japan. One of her widely known publication is a set of four illustrated books for Japanese school libraries on how to think, write, discuss and present ideas and gave special classes at K-12 classrooms, first printed in 2013. She has also held many lectures on clear expressions using her diagram “Essay Triangle” at universities and business schools including sequential sessions at the Fukutake hall of Tokyo University and at corporate headquarters including Benesse, Daiwa Holdings, and NTT and its subsidiaries.*

*Before moving to the US, Sachiko was a piano teacher at music schools and her studio in Japan and volunteered as a coach and pianist for a chorus group in Hamamatsu city and won the first prize at the “Tokai Chorus Competition” with her original composition in 1988. She studied the Pace Method from Dr. Robert Pace at the Teachers College Columbia University, developed a piece of software “Music Clock” for learning Music history, and gave several piano recitals in New York City. She holds Master of Arts and Master of Education degrees from Teachers College Columbia University, both received in 1994.*