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Growing up on the Canadian prairies instilled in Joel a passion for the power of the co-operative model, and he has brought this conviction to his work as a board director. He served on the board of Modo the Car Co-op for seven years during a period of significant expansion and growth. Currently, he is Vice Chair of the board of Vancity Credit Union.

Joel holds a master's degree in computer science from the University of British Columbia. He is a certified board director, having earned the ICD.D designation from the Institute of Corporate Directors.

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