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**WORKSHOP B: CREATING PATHWAYS TO CORPORATE GOVERNANCE, MODERATOR**

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Linda Akutagawa is President and CEO of Leadership Education for Asian Pacifics, Inc. (LEAP) where she is responsible for LEAP's strategic direction, sustainability, relationships and collaborations. A passionate social entrepreneur for over 25 years and beneficiary of LEAP's leadership programming, Ms. Akutagawa is an advocate for diversity and believer in the value and urgent need for diverse, equitable, and inclusive leadership. She has dedicated herself to continuing the cycle of leadership development and inspiring Asian and Pacific Islanders to step up to leadership roles across sectors, industries, and communities. She is an appointed member of the California Department of Insurance (CDI) Diversity Task Force. Additionally, she is a member of the Asian/Asian American Institute Advisory Board at California State University at Los Angeles and a Board member of Japanese American Community Services (JACS), a community grantmaking organization. Linda received her B.S. in International Business with a minor in Economics from California State University at Los Angeles. Linda is married and a fur-mom to her cockapoo, Belle and aunty to eleven nephews and nieces.

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