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APEX Announces 2019 Executive Committee Officers and At-Large Members

Duluth, Minnesota: The Area Partnership for Economic Expansion (APEX) Board of Directors is pleased to announce the 2019 Executive Committee Officers and At-Large Members. Election results were shared at the APEX annual meeting and reception on January 15, 2019, at the Kitchi Gammi Club. Together, this group of talented, forward-thinking professionals will spearhead projects that drive regional economic growth.

APEX 2019 Executive Committee Officers and At-Large Members

Chair: Steve Burgess, National Bank of Commerce

Vice Chair: Lisa Bodine, Giant Voices

Immediate Past Chair and Treasurer: Brian Thun, maurices

Secretary: Brad Beard, Essentia Health

At-Large: Chancellor Lendley Black, <u>University of Minnesota Duluth</u>

At-Large: Deb DeLuca, <u>Duluth Seaway Port Authority</u>

At-Large: Frank Frederickson, MN Power, an ALLETE Company

At-Large: Brian Maki, Lakehead Constructors, Inc.

At-Large: John Swanson, Enbridge Energy Company, Inc.

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About APEX

The Area Partnership for Economic Expansion (APEX) is the private-sector-led business development engine for northeast Minnesota and northwest Wisconsin. APEX investor-members represent some of the most influential companies in the region, with a collaborative approach to promoting sustainable economic growth. APEX attraction, expansion and retention efforts focus in areas including aviation, manufacturing, professional services and next-generation forest products. Since 2003, through attraction, expansion and retention efforts, APEX has impacted over 4,300 jobs in the region, resulting in a regional payroll of over \$174.9 million and contributing to over \$24 million annually in state and local taxes.



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