

## Filling At-Large Board Vacancies, August 2017

### Vacancy 1: Media

- Formerly held by Deb Fellows, My North Media, who resigned due to scheduling conflicts.
- Recommendation: appoint Chuck Lombardo (Bio attached) for a three year term ending 12/31/20

### Vacancy 2: Real Estate/Finance

- Formerly held by Tom Johnson of Landmark Development, who resigned due to scheduling conflicts.
- Recommendation: appoint Kim Pontius, CEO, Traverse Association of Realtors (Bio attached) for a three year term ending 12/31/20.

## **CHUCK LOMBARDO**

Chuck Lombardo is the Director of Marketing & Communications for Graceland Fruit and the owner/principal of CML Marketing Communications. Chuck has over 30 years experience in communications, marketing and advertising. He has guided communications on many high profile projects and issues in both the private and public sectors in the Grand Traverse region. Chuck attended Ferris State University and moved to Traverse City in 1986, serving as Government and Community Relations Manager for MichCon (now DTE Energy). He has been a volunteer for numerous community initiatives and has served on the boards of Traverse City Area Public Schools, United Way of Northwest Michigan, North American Vasa and the Traverse City Area Chamber of Commerce.

## **Profile for Kimberly R. Pontius**

- Since October 2007 Kimberly Pontius has been the CEO for the Traverse Area Association of REALTORS®. He has a passion for transportation and environmental subjects, especially those that foster disruptive innovation.
- Formerly he was the Executive Director of the Workforce and Economic Development Services division of the Ivy Tech Community College system of Indiana where he acted as a liaison to Indiana's rural economic development taskforce. Mr. Pontius also served twenty-six years in the tool/die and high volume machining industry as a manufacturing engineer and operations management specialist prior to joining Ivy Tech.
- He has a Masters degree in Public Management through Indiana University School of Public and Environmental Affairs and is a graduate of Indiana Institute of Technology with a Bachelors of Science degree in Business Management.
- Pontus has served on the Board of the Traverse Area Chamber of Commerce, the Traverse Bay YMCA Board of Directors, the Elmwood Township Planning Commission and Elmwood Township Marina Board. He also Chaired the Grand Vision CORE Team for two years is currently the steward of the repository of the Grand Vision's information and data through the TAAR.
- Kim and his wife Karen also own Suttons Bay Trading Company, Incorporated a spice blending, sales and distribution company founded in Fort Wayne, Indiana in November of the year 2000 and which is now located in Suttons Bay, Michigan.