

# **NEBRASKA PORK PRODUCERS ASSOCIATION**

## **NEWS RELEASE**

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### **Nebraska Pork Producers Elect New Directors and Officers**

LINCOLN, February 19, 2016—Nebraska's Pork industry gathered in Lincoln for their Annual Meeting to address industry issues, recognize the Outstanding Pork Service Award winners, Allied Members and elect new directors and officers.

Russ Vering with Central Plains Milling in Howells was elected President for the Association. Darin Uhlir of St Paul will serve as 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President; Tim Chancellor of Broken Bow assumed the position of 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President, and Kevin Peterson of Osceola was elected to fill the 3<sup>rd</sup> Vice President position. Elected to their first two-year term as Directors are Mike Wisnieski of Omaha and Shana Beattie of Sumner. Dan Meiergerd of Dodge and Alesha Meyer of Diller were elected as alternate directors.

Karen Grant, Meadow Grove; Matt Clark, McCool Jct.; Ron Browning, Fremont; Tim Chancellor, Broken Bow; Kevin Peterson, Osceola; and Duane Miller, Davenport, Nebraska were all elected to serve another two-year term on the Board of Directors.

Retiring from the Board of Directors were Alden Zuhlke of Plainview and Scott Spilker of Beatrice. Shane Meyer of Diller retired from the Executive Committee. Dr. Benny Mote will replace Dr. Larry Berger on the Executive Committee as the representative from the University of Nebraska-Lincoln.

Joining Nebraska's pork industry as the breakfast keynote speaker was Governor Pete Ricketts who was introduced by Congressman Adrian Smith (R-NE) who was an impromptu guest that addressed the gathering. Industry issues were addressed by National Pork Board's Vice President of Strategic Communications, Kevin Waetke; Ansley Mick, Executive Director for We Support Agriculture; Dr. Ron Brodersen, President of the American Association of Swine Veterinarians and John Hinnens, Assistant Vice President of the U.S. Meat Export Federation.

*The Nebraska Pork Producers Association is a grassroots, incorporated, non-profit organization established in 1961. NPPA was developed to promote the pork industry through the enhancement of consumer demand, producer education and research. For more information, visit NPPA's website at [www.NEpork.org](http://www.NEpork.org). Nebraska Pork Producers Association, 7441 O Street, Suite 104, Lincoln, Nebraska.*