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### **Grow North Announces Executive Committee Members**

(Northwoods, WI) Grow North Regional Economic Development Corporation, Inc. is a volunteer-driven organization made up of people dedicated to growing our Northwoods economy. Grow North is governed by its members, who approve all Grow North activities, projects and programs. An Executive Committee provides recommendations to the membership and takes care of the day-to-day operations of the organization. The Executive Committee is constructed to ensure that private-sector businesses play an active role in determining Grow North's direction. Additionally, the Executive Committee includes one representative from each Grow North County to ensure balanced representation.

Grow North is pleased to introduce the following members of the Executive Committee:

President: Rob Krieghoff, Retired

Past-President: Bart Lamers, One Prospect

Vice-President: Jodi Hanson, Ministry Health Care

Secretary: Jim Brown, Nicolet Technical College

Treasurer: Pete Otis, Retired

Forest County Representative: Jim Landru, Forest County Board

Langlade County Representative: Dick Hartmann, Langlade County EDC

Lincoln County Representative: Jack Sroka, Lincoln County EDC

Oneida County Representative: Jim Kumbera, Oneida County EDC

Vilas County Representative: Bob Eagan, Vilas County Board

Tourism Representative: Diane Hapka, Oneida County Tourism Council

Staff Support: Dan Kuzlik, UW Extension and James Hanke, NCWRPC

Grow North is a membership driven organization comprised mainly of private-sector businesses throughout the region. Members determine the actions of the organization, and the primary source of funding for Grow North is the annual dues paid by each of its members. Annual Dues are \$100.00, and entitle each paying member to a vote at the Annual Meeting and a vote on all issues that come before the board at regular meetings. Membership helps support the mission of growing the Northwoods economy and ensuring that the region is able to sustain vibrant businesses and communities.

For more information, please visit their website at [www.grownorth.org](http://www.grownorth.org).



**Pictured left to right:** Front – Dan Kuzlik, Jack Sroka, Diane Hapka, Jodi Hanson, Jim Landru  
Back – Pete Otis, Dick Hartmann, James Hanke, Bart Lamers, Bob Egan, Jim Kumbera, Rob Krieghoff