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**Greater Mankato Growth Board of Directors Elections**

MANKATO, Minn. (March 17, 2010) – The members of Greater Mankato Growth, Inc. (GMG) approved the slate of new directors for the GMG Board at the organization’s Annual Meeting on **March 15**. The new members of the Greater Mankato Growth and the sectors they represent on the board include:

- Primary Economy: Barb Kaus, General Manager of Carlson Craft Stationary & Gift Store and Ron Vetter, President of Vetter Stone
- Professional Services: Greg Kutcher, M.D., CEO of Mayo Health System
- Retail & Hospitality: Paul Wilke, General Manager of River Hills Mall and Owner of Toppers Pizza
- Higher Education: Dan Bruss, President of Bethany Lutheran College
- At-Large: Jim Santori, Publisher of *The Free Press*

The terms for all of these elected seats run through 2014. Kutcher and Santori previously served on the GMG Board of Directors, while Kaus, Vetter, Wilke and Bruss are new to the board.

On **March 16**, the day following the Annual Meeting, the GMG board met to elect its officers for the coming year. The 2011-12 GMG board officers are:

- Chair: Greg Kutcher, M.D., CEO of Mayo Health System
- Vice Chair: Jim Santori, Publisher of *The Free Press*
- Secretary/Treasurer: Chad Surprenant, President of I&S Group, Inc.
- At-Large Officer: Julia Ketcham Corbett, Blethan, Gage & Krause, PLLP
- At-Large Officer: Rob Else, Co-President of EI Microcircuits
- At-Large Officer: Tim Tupy, Owner of Liv Aveda Salon & Spa

Greater Mankato Growth (GMG) is committed to advancing business for a stronger community. As the Chamber of Commerce and Economic Development organization serving the regional marketplace, GMG advances business through: existing business support, new business growth, business promotion, talent development, public affairs, community marketing, visitor attraction and servicing and civic engagement. For more information on the GMG board of directors, visit [greatermankato.com/gmg-board.php](http://greatermankato.com/gmg-board.php).

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