

EIGUREN TAKES HELM OF BOISE CHAMBER

Lobbyist/lawyer plans to expand membership

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Roy Eiguren, a lobbyist and lawyer who has been called one of the most powerful men in Idaho, is the new chairman of the Boise Metro Chamber of Commerce.

The Boise native has been a force in local and state issues for nearly a quarter-century, serving on the boards of organizations ranging from the City Club of Boise to the Idaho Coordinating Committee of the U.S. Olympic Committee to the Boise Philharmonic.

“Roy brings to the chairmanship his traditional Idaho roots and his insight of meeting challenges with realistic solutions that get things accomplished,” chamber President Nancy Vannorsdel said.

Eiguren said Tuesday that he'll help the chamber expand its membership with small businesses as well as corporations. The chamber will focus on solutions to the area's worker shortage, and will work with lawmakers for pro-business legislation, he said.

The Boise Chamber is Idaho's largest business organization, with about 1,600 members, a staff of 20 and an annual budget of \$1.5 million.

The chamber on Tuesday also announced its 1999-2000 Executive Committee members. They are:

- President and CEO Nancy Vannorsdel.
- Chair-elect Mike Mooney, district president, Key Bank of Idaho.
- Treasurer Larry Bird, partner-in-charge, Deloitte & Touche.
- Past Chair Ted Crumley, senior vice president and chief financial officer, Boise Cascade Co.
- Vice Chair of Membership Sandra Bruce Bennett, president/CEO, St Alphonsus Medical Center.
- Vice Chair At-Large Margaret Buchanan, publisher, The Idaho Statesman.
- Vice Chair At-Large Steve Young, senior vice president human resources, Albertson's Inc.
- Vice Chair At-Large Jody Olson, vice president corporate development, T.J. International.
- Vice Chair of Small Business Rich Cortez, president, Metalcraft Inc.
- Vice Chair of Governmental Affairs Kent Johnson, president, Fearless Farris Wholesale Inc.
- Vice Chair, Garden City Chamber, Patrick Rice, general manager, DoubleTree Hotel Riverside.
- Vice Chair of Workforce Leadership Dan Stevens, president/CEO, Home Federal Savings & Loan.
- Counsel Craig Storti, managing partner, Hawley Troxell Ennis & Hawley.
- Boise Metro Economic Development Chair Jeff Shneider, president CSHQA Architects/Engineers/Planners