

# 2019 R7HSA Board Member Roster

## R7HSA BOARD OFFICERS

**PRESIDENT** *(Seated 01/01/2019)*  
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**SECRETARY** *(Seated 01/01/2019)*  
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### IOWA

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*(Seated July 2016)*  
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**JENNIFER CLANTON, IA • PARENT REPRESENTATIVE**  
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## KANSAS

### **KIM SILL, KS-DIRECTOR REPRESENTATIVE \***

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### **TERRY WILSON, KS • STAFF REPRESENTATIVE\***

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## MISSOURI

### **LINDA BLEYTHING, MO-DIRECTOR REPRESENTATIVE**

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### **KELLY JOHNSON, MO • STAFF REPRESENTATIVE**

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## NEBRASKA

### **CHRISTIE FERENGE, NE • STAFF REPRESENTATIVE**

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# COMMITTEES

## EXECUTIVE/FISCAL COMMITTEE

- Provide oversight of management of the Association
- Review and provide oversight of the annual budget
- Implement timelines which ensure compliance with requirements regarding 501(c)(3) status
- Report to the Board of Directors the financial and operational status of the Association
- Ensure the Association is involved in resource development, and research grant opportunities which meet the goals of the Association

**LINDA BLEYTHING**  
**KIM SILL**  
**DEB ROSS**  
**PAM LAFRENZ**  
**LEIGH ANN NELSON**  
**MIKE BAUGHER**

## PARTNERSHIP/MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

- Provide oversight of the Region VII Award process
- Assist with the Region VII Award Ceremony at the Annual Leadership Conference
- Identify potential partnership opportunities

**CHRISTIE FERENCE**      **JONNA BURNS**  
Chair  
**JULIE LANG**              **MIKE BAUGHER**  
**PEGGY KELLY**  
**TINA BERNSKOETTER**  
**DEB ROSS**

## PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

- Provide assistance and work in conjunction with the Executive Director in planning professional development opportunities
- Monitor budget and ensure a profit is generated for all training initiatives
- Explore recommendations/suggestions for on-going leadership/training opportunities

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Chair  
**LINDA BLEYTHING**  
**TONYA WEBER**  
**PEGGY KELLY**  
**TINA BERNSKOETTER**  
**KIM SILL**  
**MIKE BAUGHER**

## ADVOCACY COMMITTEE

- Develop position statements as appropriate
- Facilitate “hot topic” process and information exchange
- Provide input/assistance to Professional Development Committee on advocacy-related sessions/workshops, voter registration, etc.
- Review advocacy materials/information to be posted on the web site. Assist in promotion of website and regional association activities

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