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Sphere 1 Cooperative Announces New Board of Directors

Sphere 1 announces the appointment of three new members to its Board of Directors, as well as three newly elected Executive Board Members, effective June 1, 2020.

Joining the Board of Directors are Jeff Tannenbaum of Tanner Bolt & Nut in Brooklyn, New York, Suzanne Brunner of Mann Tool and Supply in West Columbia, South Carolina and Sean Ackerman of The Tool Nut in Yorktown Heights, New York.

After serving 18 years on the Executive Board of Directors as Treasurer, including one year as Vice Chairman and Treasurer, Larry Johnson of Northbrook Contractor Supply, Northbrook, Illinois, retired from Sphere 1's Board of Directors in December 2019.

The Board of Directors has elected Todd Klutts of Pioneer Fasteners & Tools as Vice Chairman, Joe Wibbenmeyer of Nu Way as Treasurer and Maria Polidoro as Secretary as part of the new executive team of the Board of Directors.

The Sphere 1 Board of Directors is comprised of nine individuals from the tool, fastener, air fastening and concrete communities across the U.S. It is the Board's responsibility to be the voice of the Sphere 1 Membership and provide counsel and guidance in the direction and operation for the Sphere 1 Cooperative.

A complete list of board members:

Ron Foltz, Cornerstone Tool & Fastener, Chairman

Todd Klutts, Pioneer Fastener & Tools, Vice Chairman

Joe Wibbenmeyer, Nu Way, Treasurer

Maria Polidoro, Ace Tool Repair, Secretary

Rod Steier, Duo-Fast Northeast / New Hampshire Tool & Supply, Director

Scott Brown, Hahn Systems, Director

Jeff Tannenbaum, Tanner Bolt & Nut, Director

Suzanne Brunner, Mann Tool and Supply, Director

Sean Ackerman, The Tool Nut, Director

Additionally – In 2019 Sphere 1 celebrated a record-breaking year in every aspect of our business. Even with the COVID-19 crisis impacting many things in 2020, the one constant is that Sphere 1 is pressing on. Our membership is strong, resilient and committed to growing through today's fluid times. With this in mind, Sphere 1 has taken some of the important aspects of our Annual Meeting to a virtual platform. We have launched phase 1 of our table top sessions, with phase 2 coming later this month. Our Annual Awards Dinner has been converted to a Virtual Awards Show, taking place the evening of August 27, 2020. We can't thank our members and suppliers enough for the support with these changes, as well as everyone's willingness to adapt and help make things successful. Stay tuned for more from Sphere 1, as our membership continues to grow its footprint in today's construction supply marketplace.

About Sphere 1

Sphere 1 is a cooperative of tool, fastener, and concrete accessory distributors, working together to achieve competitive and sustainable advantages in our marketplace. By partnering with preferred suppliers, we provide our members with enhanced vendor programs, superior education and innovative practices. While fostering community among our peers, we are committed to integrity, honesty and respect in all that we do. For more information, contact Sharon Boone at 949-932-3600 or visit www.sphere1.coop

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