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Lyric Opera Elects New Board of Directors

KANSAS CITY, MO (July 1, 2012) – The Lyric Opera of Kansas City Board of Directors chooses the 2012-2013 officers and new members.

Officers for the 2012-2013 season are:

- President: Richard P. Bruening (community volunteer)
- President Elect: Kenneth V. Hager (Vice President, CFO and Treasurer- DST Systems, Inc)
- Treasurer: J. Michael Sigler (first vice-president, Robert W. Baird and Co.)
- Vice-President, Development: Lafayette J. Ford, III (SVP-Group Manager, PNC Financial Services Group)
- Vice-President, Education: The Honorable Jon. R. Gray (Shook, Hardy, and Bacon)
- Vice-President, Membership: Maureen Durwood (community volunteer)
- Vice-President, Planning: Michelle N. Ritter (community volunteer)
- Vice-President-Legal Counsel: Don F. Dagenais (partner, Lathrop & Gage)
- Secretary: Michael D. Frost, Ph.D (community volunteer)

Members at Large, Executive Committee: Anne W. Elsberry, Michael D. Fields, Joyce G. Holland, Julia I. Kauffman, Albert P. Mauro

New members elected to the board are Scott Blakesley, Barbara Bloch and Sarah Tiedt.

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BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Mrs. Paul D. Bartlett, Jr.

Scott Blakesley

Mrs. Robert Bloch

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Una Creditor

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President Elect, Lyric Opera Guild

Sarah Beeks Higdon

Board Member & Lyric Opera Ball Co-Chair Elect

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Carl L. McCaffree

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Barbara Spilker, Ex-Officio, Lyric Opera Ball Chair

Brogan Sullivan

Kevin R. Sweeney

Lessie Thompson

Sarah Tiedt

Jody Tillotson

Thomas Wallingford

Sarah Youngblood, Ex-Officio,

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