

July 2016

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## President's Message

Well, it is officially July and with that comes the transitioning of the board and the volunteer committees. We are off and running in full force. Three board members will be attending the AHIMA Leadership Symposium this month. Stay tuned next month for details on what was discussed. Our volunteer committees are getting started. They are busy making plans and fulfilling tasks given by the board. Advocacy committee will be reviewing the NHIMA Privacy and Security Guide for updates; The Coding Roundtable will be developing educational webinars for members; The Professional Promotion Committee will be keeping the Facebook page updated and answering member's requests to join. Finally, the Convention Committee will be working on plans for next year's convention. If you are interested in volunteering for any of these committees, please feel free to contact one of the NHIMA board members to help you out.

As you can see, there are a lot of things happening in our state of Nebraska organization. I want to say thank you to all of you who have volunteered in the past and are currently holding positions for 2016-2017. Without you, there would be no organization.

Finally, I would like to wish everyone a wonderful summer. Stay safe and don't forget to take some time to relax and let your hair down. Challenge your minds and nurture your souls and be the best that you can be. Try and make this your goal for the next year. Let's see where it will take you.

Sincerely, *Dawn Goodsell, RHIA*

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## NHIMA Scholarship – Applications due July 31st

Policy, instructions and application can be found at [www.nhima.org](http://www.nhima.org).



## Annual Business Meeting Minutes

The minutes of the annual business meeting are now posted in the [Nebraska Engage Community](#) under the topic "Annual Reports & Annual Business Meeting Minutes."

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## Welcome!

*New Members in June 2016:*

- Eugene Horton
  - Jasmine Konyek, RHIA, CPC
  - Brandy Chadwick, CPC-A
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## Meet the 2016-2017 NHIMA Board of Directors

**Tina Mazuch** - This is my first time being on the board in an officer position. I have volunteered in other positions with NHIMA in the past including the Nominations and Professional Promotions Committee. I am excited to be a part of this great organization and contribute to the ever-changing field of HIM. My current work position is teaching students in the field of Health Information Management at Northeast Community College. When I am not busy with work, I enjoy spending time with my husband and two children. During the summer months, we stay busy with our pets, gardening, and swimming at the lake.

**Courtney Burbach** - I am the current President Elect. I am extremely grateful for this opportunity to serve as your President Elect for the 2016-2017 year. I am the Executive Director of HIM and Privacy Officer for Faith Regional Health Services in Norfolk, NE. I live in Norfolk with my husband and four boys ranging in age from 12-5. My goals are to obtain my Masters in Healthcare Administration as well as sit for the CHPS exam. In my free time, I love watching my boys participate in their magnitude of sporting events. I cherish every moment of every day and look forward to each new adventure that comes my way! Within the HIM world, I also work hard to keep up to date on the updates within our profession and advocate for our expertise within work environments.

**Marilyn Blunck** - This is my second year as Treasurer. Having the opportunity to be in this position has given me a better perspective of AHIMA and all the work done on at the NHIMA level to provide educational and relevant sessions at the annual conference. I enjoy working with the other board members and networking it has provided. My (30+ years) HIM experience is in Behavioral Health and Skilled Nursing areas. My husband and I live in Pierce.

**Carla Dirkschneider** - I really enjoy volunteering with NHIMA. I believe this is my 5th year on the board and I will serve as the past president. It is great getting to know other HIM professionals all across the state and networking with my HIM peers. I am currently the Program Director at Clarkson College in Omaha, NE and I have been teaching at Clarkson for 12 years. In my spare time, I love to spend time with my family, travel and read.

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### NHIMA Contact Information:

### Board Members - Committee/TF Chairs

**Dates to Remember:** April 5-7, 2017 - NHIMA Annual Convention, Younes Conference Center, Kearney, NE

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