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## Idaho Falls Auditorium District Announces New Member to Board of Directors

Idaho Falls, Idaho –The Idaho Falls Auditorium District (IFAD) is a pleased to welcome new board member Mr. Mike Lehto to the Board of Directors. Mr. Lehto, a former Idaho Falls City Councilman who spent sixteen years on the city council, is employed by INL as a nuclear engineer. Mr. Lehto was nominated at the February 10, 2016 board meeting and, after a unanimous vote of the Board of Directors, was sworn in at that time. Mr. Lehto will fill the position previously held by Mr. Bob Everhart.

Said Board Chairman Cindy Ozaki, "We are extremely pleased that Mike has agreed to join in our effort to construct the Idaho Falls Events Center. His experience in government, combined with his enthusiasm for the project as well as his overall standing in the community, make him an excellent addition to the Board of Directors. We know he will be a tireless worker".

Mr. Lehto indicated that he is "very excited" to become part of the project, adding "I have followed the project's progress since its inception and now that I am no longer a City Councilman, I have the time to devote to help make the Events Center a reality".

The Idaho Falls Auditorium District (IFAD) was established in 2011 by Idaho Statute 67- 4902 "An auditorium or community center district is one to build, operate, maintain, market and manage for public, commercial and/or industrial purposes by any available means public auditoriums, exhibition halls, convention centers, sports arenas and facilities of a similar nature, and for that purpose any such district shall have the power to construct, maintain, manage, market and operate such facilities." The public is welcome to attend IFAD Board Meetings which are held on the second and fourth Wednesday of each month at the Business Development Center, 425 N. Capital Ave Idaho Falls, ID



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