

Governor appoints executive director for Kansas Commission on Veterans Affairs, others

The Kansas Commission on Veterans Affairs has named Col. Gregg Burden as its executive director. Gov. Sam Brownback recommended Burden for the position.

Burden is a supervisory program specialist at the Veterans Administration in Topeka.

The Governor also appointed Mark Balderston, a Kansas City doctor of chiropractic medicine, to the Kansas Athletic Commission; David Coleal, vice president at Spirit AeroSystems in Wichita, to the Kansas Postsecondary Technical Education Authority; K.J. Langlais, CEO of Evergreen Living Innovations in Lawrence, and Kevin Bryant, a medical doctor at Wesley Medical Center and Galichia Heart Hospital in Wichita, to the Board of Adult Care Home Administrators.

He also appointed Carol Perry, vice president at Stormont-Vail Healthcare in Topeka, and Jacob Breeding, a trauma surgeon and trauma medical director at the Salina Regional Health Center, to the Kansas Advisory Committee on Trauma; Mary Cohen, a Leawood educator, to the Kansas Children's Cabinet; Frank Laubhan, former mayor of Pratt, to the Kansas Advisory Council on Aging; Randall Duncan of Brookville to the Kansas Film Services Commission; Heather Donley, director at Innovative Lifestock Services in Ellsworth, and Lonnie Busch, feedlot general manager at Cargill Cattle Feeders in Leoti, to the Kansas Animal Health Board. Dick Short, president of Short & Son in Goodland, was appointed to the Kansas Midwestern Higher Education Commission; **J. Scott Day, of Ozawkie, co-owner of Day Insurance Solutions in Topeka, to the Kansas State Employees Health Care Commission**; Rhonda Moreland, Lebo, a licensed practical nurse, to the Governor's Mental Health Services Planning Council.

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