SPEAKER INFORMATION

Date: Tuesday, October 28, 2014
Event: Grass Roots: Energizing the Base!
Time: 11:00 am – 11:30 am

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Bob Weidner was named president of the Metals Service Center Institute (previously the Steel Service Center Institute) and to its Board of Directors in November 2001, and Chief Executive officer in November 2002. Mr. Weidner is a member of the Executive, Investment, and Budget and Audit Committees. Mr. Weidner is responsible for all programs, services and operations of the organization.

Mr. Weidner was previously vice president, human resources, and earlier vice president, communications and investor relations, and a member of the Corporate Executive Council of Alliant Foodservice, Inc., a $6.5 billion foodservice distribution company. He also served as general manager, communications and stakeholder relations, at Inland Steel Industries, capping a 17-year career at that steel manufacturing and metals distribution company. Mr. Weidner held a variety of finance, sales, marketing, communications and investor relations positions there.

Mr. Weidner received his MBA in finance and accounting from the University of Notre Dame in 1981. He is a member of the National Association of Wholesaler-Distributors (NAW) Association Executives Council and served as the Council’s chairman in 2009. From 2008 – 2010, he was a director on NAW’s board. He is also a member of the American Society of Association Executives, the U.S. Chamber of Commerce’s Association Committee of 100, the American Council for Capital Formation Association Council, the Association Forum, the National Association of Corporate Directors, and the Executives’ Club of Chicago. In addition, Mr. Weidner is a former director of the board of the National Association of Manufacturers (NAM) and served as the 2011 chairman of the NAM Council of Manufacturing Associations’ Board of Directors. He was a director of the National Investor Relations Institute (NIRI) Chicago chapter and an active member of NIRI’s senior investor relations roundtable. Mr. Weidner was also a member of The Conference Board’s Global Council of Investor Relations Executives.

In addition to his advanced degree, Mr. Weidner holds a B.A. degree in political science from Northwestern University; he successfully completed the Professional Accounting Program at Northwestern’s Kellogg Graduate School of Management; and he is a
Certified Association Executive. Mr. Weidner is a past director of the Culver Legion Board. He and his wife, Kathy, reside in Lake Barrington, IL, and have three children: Lauren, Robert and Matthew.