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Great Alumni,

It has been a tremendous honor to serve as the second President of our newly established National Intelligence University Alumni Association. I am pleased to announce that Mr. Mike Nienhaus (2007/2017) has been elected as the new President of the board of directors and chief executive of the Association. I am also doubly pleased to announce that after a long vacancy we now have a vice President – the newly elected Christi Archibald. And rounding out our leadership team, Mr. Tom Van Wagner is serving as interim secretary until a permanent selection is made. I will continue to serve in an advisory capacity as past-President (and ex officio board member) and look forward to Mike's leadership in the coming year.

Warmest regards,

  
Harry Petrey—BSI 2012 / MSTI 2013

Hello Alumni,

Greetings from your new President. I am humbled to serve and truly thankful to Harry for his tenure of leadership over the past year. With our newly energized team of sitting officers, your Association is set for continued success in the future. Our exponential growth this past year has helped establish various groups as emergent chapters. Harry will lead the formation of the Virginia chapter of the NIU AA, and Christi will lead the formation of the Maryland chapter. I and the rest of the officers will work to revise and adjust our strategic plan to best align our efforts to maximize growth towards our core values of fellowship, accountability and outreach.

I am so proud of the devoted team of officers and board members that have served you so well over the last few years (and a special thanks for the consistent financial support from Mr. Eric Hammersen). Their results brought a vision to reality by establishing a formal Alumni Association for the NIU for the first time in the university's 50+ year history. Thanks to the work of a dedicated core group, and the support of the NIU Foundation and University leaders, the Alumni Association was formally chartered in September 2015. We now have more than 300 registered members, several hundred participants in alumni-sponsored events, and more than 400 alumni engaging via social media. Together we are supporting a world-class institution with the unique mission of establishing a community of support and advocacy for future leaders within the intelligence and national security communities. Please join me in sharing your greatest enthusiasms for the future of our University, Foundation and Association!

Very Respectfully,

*Mike Nienhaus*

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