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## **New Kankakee County Board Members Sworn In**

**Kankakee, Illinois (December 5, 2022)** — Seven new Kankakee County Board members were sworn in today on Monday, December 5, 2022 following the general election last month.

- Kathleen Rittmanic-Emme (R) – District 8
- Chad Scanlon (R) – District 12
- Jessica Andrade (D) – District 13
- Amber Turner (R) – District 15
- Jeffery Ashcraft (R) – District 20
- Peggy Sue Munday (R) – District 21
- Amanda Armer-Irps (R) – District 28

Larry Kerkstra (D) will continue representing District 23, and Rosemary Foster (D) will continue representing District 4.

Andy Wheeler will retain his seat as County Board Chairman. Matt Alexander-Hildebrand will serve as the new Vice Chairman. Board members retaining their seats are: Antonio Carrico (R), Aaron Dunnill (R), Colton Ekhoff (R), Ray Fairfield (R), John Fetherling (R), Roger Hess (R), Steven Hunter (D), Craig Long (R), Chad Miller (R), Tinker Parker (R), Patricia Polk (D), Todd Sirois (R), Kenneth Smith (R), Robert Snipes (D), Joe Swanson (R), Chris Tholen (R), and Carol Webber (R).

“I would like to thank all exiting board members for their service in Kankakee County and congratulate new board members,” said County Chairman Andy Wheeler. “This is without question the most diverse County Board that we have seen. We look forward to continuing the work in moving the County forward.”

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