Members weathered the fierce snowfall and treacherous roads to attend the 2017 MBEX Annual Meeting held at the Golden Valley Country Club on January 11, 2017. Our registration numbers reached peak heights at around 180 registrants— all of which enjoyed the free drink tickets and networking. The meeting convened with President Russ Reger, Veit Companies detailing the success of MBEX during 2016 and continued with the official passing of the MBEX board presidential gavel from Reger to 2017 MBEX president Jake Bauer, Carciofi ni Company. In addition, MBEX recognized the Volunteer of the Year and Distinguished Member.

Our main speaker for the event, Alan Page, provided plenty of great storytelling about his career as a Minnesota Viking, Associate Justice of the Minnesota Supreme Court and his endeavors establishing the Page Education Foundation. At a young age, Page understood the value of an education. After his induction into the NFL Hall of Fame in 1988 and the start of a successful law career, he sought to use his position in the community as a means to give back, providing over 6,500 scholars with college grants through the Page Education Foundation.

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