

T. Jan Wiseman background

Mr. Wiseman has been executive director of GSC since 2002 when he came from a senior vice president position at the headquarters of the American Soybean Association in St. Louis, with offices in 11 countries.

His more than 25 years of association and business-related leadership include executive vice president positions at the Apartment Association of Metro Denver, the Professional Insurance Agents of Colorado, the American Society of Farm Managers and Rural Appraisers, and the president/owner of the Professional Development Institute, a national service in marketing and management. He also was vice president for the Farm and Land Institute of the National Association of Realtors in Chicago.

As a college dean for 12 years in Illinois, Mr. Wiseman created and developed distance learning centers and community-based education that accounted for more than 50% of the college's enrollment and which received several national and state awards for innovation.

While a professional journalist as an editor at newspapers in Rockford, Ill., Green Bay, Wis., and the suburban Chicago area, Mr. Wiseman was the vice president of the Society of Professional Journalists, Northern Illinois Professional Chapter. Professional awards he has received include an Innovation in Government Awards from the Denver Regional Council of Governments, the Affiliate Executive of the Year from the National Apartment Association, and the Executive of the Year from the Colorado Society of Association Executives.

In Salisbury, he has been active in church activities including reorganizing and chairing a church governance board, and helping head up a major local support group for victims of Hurricane Katrina. Prior to that, he chaired the board of directors of Goodwill Industries of Metro Denver, a \$13 million non-profit serving the disabled and disadvantaged for the world of work and then co-created SWAT (Social Weapons and Tactics) program which brought together law enforcement, the apartment industry, and non-profit organizations to fight gangs and drug trafficking in the Denver metro area.

In the past 15 years, he has worked with several of the astronauts and other leaders of the space industry of the 1960s era and to assist in the writing of materials for print and media publication on the early days of this nation's space adventures and the race to the moon.

As part of his career, Mr. Wiseman has held professional licenses in cheese-making and milk-grading from Wisconsin, property/casualty insurance from Colorado, and real estate from Illinois.

Mr. Wiseman received a bachelor's degree in Journalism/science from the University of Wisconsin/Madison; and both a master's degree in journalism and education curriculum and supervision, and a CAS degree in adult education at Northern Illinois University. He also earned the certified association executive designation from the American Society of Association Executives in Washington, D.C.