David Adelman named board chair at 62nd Annual Meeting

VICA’s 62nd Annual Meeting honored exceptional VICA members, installed a new board of directors and named David Adelman (Greenberg & Bass LLP) as the new board chair.

“I’m excited to take the helm of VICA and have set optimistic goals for continued advocacy and membership growth in the coming years,” Adelman said. “VICA is a powerful force on the political landscape and I plan to continue that legacy.”

LAUSD Superintendent Dr. John Deasy provided the keynote address, laying out his progressive plan to improve public education in Los Angeles during the luncheon. The proposal includes an unprecedented contract that holds teachers accountable for student success. The teachers’ union approved the contract just a few hours after Deasy spoke to VICA.

In addition to Deasy’s speech, VICA presented awards to some of the Valley’s notable business leaders. Kevin Tamaki (AT&T) received the 19th Annual Harmon Ballin Community Service Award and Jan Sobel (Boys & Girls Club of West Valley) was the recipient of the 6th Annual President’s Award. The 33rd Robert E. Gibson Corporate Award of Excellence was presented to Woodbury University.

“Our membership is rich with community leaders and this year’s honorees are no exception,” said VICA President Stuart Waldman. “All have contributed greatly to making VICA a robust business organization and the San Fernando Valley a community we are proud to call home.”

VICA elected and installed its 2012 board of directors and officers at the meeting.

The luncheon was presented by Pratt & Whitney Rocketdyne and the San Fernando Valley Business Journal. It was held at the Burbank Airport Marriott. Attendees brought toys to donate to Child Care Resource Center.