## **Paul DeBruce**

Chief Executive Officer and Board Chairman DeBruce Companies and The DeBruce Foundation

## Professional

In 1988, Paul DeBruce established the DeBruce Foundation to give back in the greater Kansas City region and beyond. The DeBruce Foundation is supported by DeBruce companies, a private investment firm managing a diverse portfolio of private equity and other asset class investments across a broad range of industries, including biotech, energy, manufacturing, technology, and real estate. Over the past three decades, The DeBruce Foundation has invested in various non-profits to



improve the lives of others and strengthen our community.

Through the philanthropic work of The DeBruce Foundation, the DeBruces have greatly contributed to the Kansas City community and beyond. In 2023, Linda and Paul DeBruce were named Ingram's Philanthropist of the Year.

Paul DeBruce is former Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of DeBruce Grain, Inc. which is comprised of grain facilities, grain trading, grain and oilseed processing facilities, wholesale fertilizer terminals, fertilizer trading, feed ingredient handling facilities and feed ingredient trading throughout the U.S. and Mexico with about 75 locations and sales of around \$6.0 billion.

## **Current and Past Activities**

Mr. DeBruce was on the Executive Committee of the Board of the National Grain and Feed Association, was on the Customer Advisory Board of the Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railway (BNSF) and is a past member and Board member of the Kansas City Board of Trade and the Terminal Grain Elevator Merchants Association (and served a term as President of the latter).

Mr. DeBruce has been active in the Kansas City community including currently serving on the Executive Committee of the Board of Trustees of the Nelson-Atkins Museum of Art and formerly as Chairman of the Nelson's Finance Committee, previously serving on the Board of the Civic Council of Kansas City, the Board of the American Royal, the Board of the Ozanam Home for Boys and involvement, both Board and Committees, with assorted other Kansas City community organizations. Mr. DeBruce served on the Kansas City Federal Reserve Bank Advisory Council, was appointed a director and designated Deputy Chairman of the Kansas City Federal Reserve Bank for three years and served as Chairman of the Bank for two years.