



## **ELAINE WOOD**

**Board of Director**



Elaine Wood has 42 years of experience in education, management and strategic leadership in both the public and private sectors. She is the Chief Executive Officer of Networks Northwest, a ten-county regional organization that supports community, business, and talent development, including: Northwest Michigan Works; adult education; a residential alternative high school; various economic development, business development and regional planning programs; prisoner reentry programs; and others. She has a Masters Degree in Organizational Development. Elaine was recognized as one of the “20 Most Powerful Women” of the Grand Traverse Area, based on influence and impact, by the Traverse City Business News. She was the 1999 recipient of the community’s Athena Award for leadership, and has received other leadership awards.

Elaine served for 18 years as a non-partisan elected Trustee for Northwestern Michigan College, during which time she served in every board officer role and chaired several committees. She currently serves as Chair on the Board of Directors for Rotary Charities, and is a Director of the Munson Healthcare Board where she chairs the Governance Committee. She is also a board member of Priority Health and a member of its Finance & Audit Committee. Elaine is currently serving as an appointee of Governor Rick Snyder to the Governor’s Talent Investment Board. Elaine previously served on the boards of United Way of Northwest Michigan, the Humane Society, and several others.

She has been a volunteer in several capacities at her church, including chairing the personnel committee and two pastoral search processes. Elaine spent many years in active leadership of neighborhood preservation and conservation efforts. She has taught management courses on a part-time basis at the University Center in Traverse City. Elaine and her family have lived in Traverse City for over 40 years.