

The Board of Agriculture, Trade & Consumer Protection

Description

The Board of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection (“Board”), a 9-member citizen board, establishes policy for the Department of Agriculture, Trade & Consumer Protection (“department”). The Governor appoints Board members for staggered 6-year terms, subject to confirmation by the Senate. The Board meets approximately once a month. The Board reviews major policy issues related to DATCP programs, and approves all DATCP rules. See ss. 15.05, 15.07 and 15.13, Stats.

A full-time Secretary administers the department, subject to the direction and supervision of the Board. The administrative powers of the department are vested by law in the Secretary. The Governor appoints the Secretary, subject to confirmation by the Senate. The Secretary serves at the pleasure of the Governor. See ss. 15.05 and 93.02, Stats.

DATCP Board members:

- Must take and file an oath of office under s. 15.07(7), Stats.
- May claim reimbursement of costs and expenses to the extent provided under S. 15.07(5), Stats.
- May claim \$35 per diem allowance under s. 15.07(5)(d), Stats.
- Must file an annual statement of economic interests with the state Ethics Board under s.19.43, Stats.

Current DATCP Board Members (2016)

Current DATCP Board members and their terms of office are listed below:

<u>Member</u>	<u>Term</u>
Andy Diercks	Term Ex: May 1, 2017
Miranda Leis	Term Ex: May 1, 2017
Mark Schleitwiler	Term Ex: May 1, 2017
Dennis Badtke	Term Ex: May 1, 2019
Dean Strauss	Term Ex: May 1, 2019
Nicole Hansen	Term Ex: May 1, 2019
Douglas Wolf	Term Ex: May 1, 2021
Paul Palmby	Term Ex: May 1, 2021
Gregory Zwald	Term Ex: May 1, 2021