



## Dairy Farmers of WI Election Results Announced

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MADISON – The Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection (DATCP), today certified the Wisconsin Milk Marketing Board (WMMB) dba Dairy Farmers of Wisconsin (DFW) 2019 Board of Directors election results. Commencing July 1, 2019, the following dairy producers will begin a three-year term as elected members of the Dairy Farmers of Wisconsin:

- Mark Leder, District 3, Lincoln, Oneida, Price and Taylor counties
- Douglas Danielson, District 6, Chippewa and Eau Claire counties
- Jeff Strassburg, District 9, Shawano and Waupaca counties
- Steve Pankratz, District 12, Portage, Waushara and Wood counties
- Mary Cook, District 15, Adams, Juneau and Monroe counties
- Dean Strauss, District 18, Kenosha, Milwaukee, Ozaukee, Racine, Sheboygan, Washington and Waukesha counties
- Gail Klinkner, District 21, Crawford and Vernon counties
- Virgil Haag, District 24, Dane and Jefferson counties

DFW directors guide the organization’s finances, formulate and set its policies and long-range business plan, and maintain its mission: To help grow demand for Wisconsin milk by providing programs that enhance the competitiveness of the Wisconsin dairy industry. Through these initiatives, a DFW director has the opportunity to represent Wisconsin dairy producers and products, as well as become involved in activities that inform and educate consumers.

### **About the 2019 Election**

There were 14 certified candidates running for eight board member positions. Of the 2,659 dairy producers living in the election districts, per DATCP records, 16.8% returned ballots. That is an increase in election return over the previous year. District 24, which had two candidates on the ballot, recorded the most election participation with 27.7% of eligible producers district voting. The election closed May 24, 2019.

For more information on DFW and the 2019 election, visit [www.WMMB.com/election](http://www.WMMB.com/election). This site also contains newly elected director biography information.

DATCP administers elections for Wisconsin commodity marketing boards. To learn more about the market order boards, visit [https://datcp.wi.gov/Pages/About\\_Us/MarketingBoards.aspx](https://datcp.wi.gov/Pages/About_Us/MarketingBoards.aspx)

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