

WMHA BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING AGENDA
May 6, 2026 12:00 p.m.
Tim Neubauer - CHAIRMAN, Presiding

- 1. Roll Call**
- 2. Secretary's Report**
- 3. Membership Report**
- 4. Financial Report**
- 5. Legislative Report**
- 6. OTHER BUSINESS**
 - a. 2026 Convention Planning**
- 7. Next Board Meeting – September 29, 2026**
- 8. Adjourn**



Wisconsin Milk Haulers Association (WMHA)

January Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

Date: January 14, 2026

Time: 12:00 p.m. – 1:51 p.m.

Location: The Bar, Wausau, WI

Presiding: Jerry Schroeder, Chairman

1. Call to Order & Roll Call

The meeting was called to order at **12:00 p.m.**

- **Attendance:** Tim Neubauer, Chris Lemke, Pete Lemke, Nancy Dille, Jim Jensen, Dustin Lund, Cam Halverson, Jason Leckel, Kevin Retzlaff and Dan Johnson. Michelle Berndt and Jennifer Miller were excused. Dusty Sutcliffe, absent.
 - **Absences:** The board discussed the absence of a newly elected board member who did not provide an explanation. The board agreed to give the member the benefit of the doubt at this time. Attendance will be reviewed at the **May 6 meeting**. If the member is absent again, the seat may be opened to new candidates at the annual convention.
 - **The September, 2025 meeting minutes were approved on a motion by and seconded by Motion carried.**
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2. Membership & Financial Reports

- **Membership Update:** Dan presented the membership report.
 - New Members: **2**
 - Cancellations: **2**
 - **Total Membership: 65**
- **The Membership Report was approved on a motion by and seconded by Motion carried.**
- **Financial Transition:** Beginning in **2026**, WMHA will move to a **calendar-year fiscal system** to eliminate carryover expenses and streamline accounting.
- **Financial Status (as of January 1, 2026):**

- Total Revenue (Oct–Dec 2025): **\$3,305**
 - Total Expenses (Oct–Dec 2025): **\$16,097**
 - Fund Balance: **\$33,793**
 - **The Financial Report was approved on a motion by and seconded by Motion carried.**
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3. Convention Planning – La Crosse 2026

The board discussed logistics and planning for the 2026 Annual Convention.

- **Proposed Dates:**
 - September **22–23, 2026** or **23–24, 2026**
 - **Scheduling Conflicts:**
 - The board discussed moving the event earlier in the week (Tuesday/Wednesday) to avoid conflicts with **La Crosse Oktoberfest**, which begins September 24.
 - **Venue Requirements:**
 - Preference was expressed for venues with large conference rooms that allow vendor tables to be incorporated into the main meeting space.
 - **Potential Tours:**
 - Tim and Dan will coordinate with **Patrick at Kwik Trip** to explore tour opportunities, including the bakery, truck shop, or distribution center.
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4. Regulatory & Legislative Updates

- **Spring Weight Limits:**
 - Continued discussion on exemptions for milk haulers during spring breakup. Tim is coordinating with lawmakers, including **Rep. Travis Tranel**, and the **Wisconsin Farm Bureau** to pursue legislative relief similar to exemptions granted to the logging industry.
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- **Agricultural Road Improvement Program (ARIP):**
 - Reported as renewed through **2027**, with **\$150 million** in funding.
- **Milk Quality & Technology:**
 - **Mobile Manifests:** Tim reported progress on implementation. Systems similar to those used by DFA are reducing paperwork, though some plants still require paper backups.
 - **Tracking:** The board discussed the potential need for a centralized database or **QR code system** for wash tags and seals to improve transparency and efficiency.

Action Items & Next Steps

Dan: Evaluate La Crosse venues (Holiday Inn, etc.) for meeting space, vendor capacity, and bar hours. Verify hotel availability for Sept. 22–23 vs. Sept. 23–24 and assess feasibility given Oktoberfest.

Tim / Dan: Contact Patrick at Kwik Trip regarding tour options and group size limits.

Dan Add an attendance-tracking checkbox to future board nomination forms.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at **1:51 p.m. on a motion by and seconded by Motion carried.**

Next Meeting: May 6, 2026 at The Bar in Wausau, WI

WISCONSIN MILK HAULERS ASSOCIATION

Board of Directors

Term Expiring in 2026

Michelle Berndt, Wabash
Chris Lemke, Lemke Brothers Trucking
Nancy Dille, STE
Kevin Retzlaff, KR Transport LLC

Term Expiring in 2027

Jim Jensen, Lee and Jim Jensen LLC
Pete Lemke, Lemke Brothers Trucking
Tim Neubauer, Tim Neubauer Trucking
Jennifer Miller, Miller Transfer

Term Expiring in 2028

Dustin Lund, Lund Transport
Camden Halverson, Premier Truck Group
Dusty Sutcliffe, KDS Trucking
Jason Leckel, Terry Leckel Trucking

Officers

Chairman	Tim Neubauer
Vice-Chairman	Kevin Retzlaff
Secretary/Treasurer	Dan Johnson, WMHA

Wisconsin Milk Haulers Association

Membership Report

May 6, 2026

<u>NEW MEMBERS</u>	<u>TYPE</u>	<u>JOINED</u>
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No new members

<u>CANCELED MEMBERS</u>	<u>TYPE</u>	<u>REASON</u>
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No cancellations

- Milk Haulers – 42
- Drivers – 4
- Allied – 19

TOTAL MEMBERSHIP: 65

Wisconsin Milk Haulers Association

Treasurer's Report

May 6, 2026

Between January 1, 2026 and April 1, 2026 the Wisconsin Milk Haulers Association generated revenues of \$5,160 and expenses of \$3,900. The fund balance as of April 1, 2026 was \$35,053

The financial statements are also included in the packet.

**Wisconsin Milk Haulers Association
Balance Sheet Comparison**

	<u>Mar 31, 26</u>	<u>Mar 31, 25</u>
ASSETS		
Current Assets		
Checking/Savings		
Total Checking	\$ 35,053.49	\$ 33,854.28
Total Checking/Savings	<u>35,053.49</u>	<u>33,854.28</u>
Total Current Assets	<u>35,053.49</u>	<u>33,854.28</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>\$ 35,053.49</u>	<u>\$ 33,854.28</u>
LIABILITIES & EQUITY		
Equity		
Fund Balance	\$ 35,053.49	\$ 33,854.28
Total Equity	<u>35,053.49</u>	<u>33,854.28</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	<u>\$ 35,053.49</u>	<u>\$ 33,854.28</u>

**Wisconsin Milk Haulers Association
Profit Loss Comparison**

	Jan - Mar 26	Jan - Mar 25
Other Income/Expense		
Other Income		
Advertising Income	300.00	0.00
Contribution Income	135.00	225.00
Convention Income	2,450.00	2,300.00
Dues	2,275.00	3,900.00
Total Other Income	5,160.00	6,425.00
Other Expense		
Administrative Fees	3,900.00	3,900.00
Association Meetings	0.00	201.60
Travel Expenses	0.00	0.00
Total Other Expense	3,900.00	4,101.60
Net Other Income	1,260.00	2,323.40
Net Income	1,260.00	2,323.40

WI Milk Haulers Association Legislative Report May 6, 2026

More ARIP Funding Provided

In April, Wisconsin DOT announced another round of Agriculture Road Improvement Program funding (ARIP) at \$50 million dollars.

Key details:

- 29 road projects funded
- 28 counties statewide
- Focuses on local rural roads used by farmers, producers, and forestry operations

This was round one of funding for 2026, round two applications began on April 27th with funding announcements coming in October.

Grants to CDL Training Bill

2025 Senate Bill 783 updates Wisconsin's Commercial Driver Training Grant Program by expanding eligibility to include third-party CDL training providers, either in or out of state. The grant program was reauthorized for an additional two years and \$500,000 in funding.

The bill maintains federal FMCSA training standards, allows applicants to have at least one facility in the state without requiring training to occur there, and ensures that individuals trained under the program obtain their initial CDL in Wisconsin. SB 783 was signed into law on April 6th as Wisconsin Act 159.

Higher Weight Limits for Ag Haulers

On April 6th, the Governor signed into law **Wisconsin Act 161**, creating a new annual or consecutive month oversize/overweight permit to allow certain agricultural commodities to be transported at higher weights.

The new law permits vehicles equipped with six or more axles to operate at weights exceeding standard statutory limits, up to a maximum of 91,000 pounds, when hauling grain, commercial feed, or bulk fertilizer.

Movements under the permit are restricted to primarily on the state highway system. Use of local roadways is allowed only with prior approval from the appropriate local governing authority.

The permits do not authorize operation on interstate highways, except where expressly permitted under federal law. The Department of Transportation retains authority to suspend permit operations during spring thaw or other conditions deemed necessary to protect roadway infrastructure.

Dalilah's Law

The Dalilah Law is a federal proposal aimed at tightening CDL eligibility by mandating that licenses only be issued to U.S. citizens, lawful permanent residents, or specific work-visa holders.

During his State of the Union speech, the President called for passage of this legislation, however it had not yet been formally introduced or reviewed by US DOT, FMCSA and the White House. Since that time, that review has occurred and key provisions of the new proposal include:

1. Strengthening English-language proficiency enforcement and requiring English-only knowledge and skills testing.
2. Limiting issuance of non-domiciled CDLs and increasing state accountability for proper issuance.
3. Imposing penalties on states that fail to comply with federal requirements.
4. Prohibiting foreign dispatch services from operating within the United States.
5. DOT to undertake rulemaking to revise self-certification procedures for the FMCSA Training Provider Registry.

WISCONSIN MILK HAULERS ASSOCIATION CONVENTION AND TRADE SHOW



SEPTEMBER 29-30

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Agenda

REGISTER - VENDOR - SPONSOR

Hotel

Cancellation Policy

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The 2026 Wisconsin Milk Haulers Convention and Trade Show returns to scenic La Crosse on the shores of the mighty Mississippi River!

RECEPTION
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TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 29

2:00 p.m. Registration Opens

4:00 p.m. Board of Directors Meeting

6:00 – 7:00 p.m. Welcome Reception –
Sponsored by Wabash

7:00 – 8:00 p.m. Dinner
Sponsored by STE

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 30

7:30 – 8:30 a.m. Breakfast Buffet
Sponsored by Christensen Group Insurance

8:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. Speaker Series

- TBD

11:00 a.m. – Annual Business Meeting

12:00 p.m. Lunch –

1:00 – 2:00 p.m. – Optional Tour

ADDITIONAL

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2026 WMHA CONVENTION SPEAKERS