

Dane County Food Council

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MEMBERS

Dane County Executive Appointments

Sarah J. Artz

Ms. Artz is the Marketing Coordinator for Trachte Building Systems. She has a B.A. degree in Communication Arts from the University of Wisconsin-Madison. She has extensive experience in market data and market research, corporate communication, producing targeted marketing collateral, coordinating nationwide seminar programs, organizing and coordinating tradeshow activities, developing promotional campaigns, publicity, and various other communication duties associated with a local corporation. [Term ends 4/21/09]

Martin Bailkey

Mr. Bailkey is a food systems planner, writer and consultant. He is trained as a landscape architect and urban planner, and taught these subjects as a UW-Madison lecturer for eight years. He is a Board Member of the Friends of Troy Gardens, a nationally-known urban agriculture project in Madison, and is the former Chair of the Community Food Security Coalition's Urban Agriculture Committee. [Term ends 4/20/10]

Robert Pierce

Mr. Pierce is the Manager of the South Madison Farmer's Market. He has managed that market for three years, and has been a vendor for twenty-three years. He started his own CSA farm (Community Supported Agriculture) and has his own produce store. [Term ends 4/20/11]

Gerald Campbell

Mr. Campbell is a Professor and Extension Specialist at the University of Wisconsin-Madison's Department of Agricultural and Applied Economics. Mr. Campbell has extensive experience and training in food system economics, university teaching and administration, leadership, community and organizational development. [Term ends 4/20/11]

Lisa M. Wiese

Ms. Wiese led the organizing and managing of Madison's Northside Farmers Market and currently oversees the Quest Program, which makes the market accessible to customers with food stamps. She is co-chair of the Northside Planning Council, where she represents the Northside Neighbor to Neighbor Timebank. She has a Ph.D. in Physics and spent several years as a research scientist. She has served on the Dane County Food Council since its creation. [Term ends 4/20/10]

Ken Ruegsegger

Mr. Ruegsegger served on the Local Food Policy Advisory Subcommittee. Mr. Ruegsegger is a former dairy farmer and construction business owner. Currently, Ruegsegger Farms Natural Meats features all natural beef, veal, pork, lamb, chicken, turkey, eggs, and distributes exotic meats such as bison, elk, and ostrich. He operates a "Natural Food Store" in Paoli. [Term ends 4/21/09]

Environment, Agriculture and Natural Resources Committee Appointments

Ruth Simpson

Ms. Simpson serves as Vice Chair of the REAP Food Group and is a founding member of the Family Farm Defenders. She has been a long-time organizer of food and farm issues. Professionally, Ruth is the Research Director for the Wisconsin Academy of Trial Lawyers. [4/11/09]

Jerry Kaufman

Mr. Kaufman retired as Professor of Urban and Regional Planning from the University of Wisconsin in 2001. He's been active on the food policy front in various capacities--teaching, doing research, and participating in various community organizations. These included service on the Madison Community Garden Committee, the Troy Gardens Working Group in its early years, and the Community Food Security Coalition Board. He currently serves as President of the Growing Power Board in Milwaukee and was a principal author of the recently adopted American Planning Association Policy Guide on Community and Regional Food Planning.

[Term ends 4/10/10]

Judy Hageman

Ms. Hageman is Co-Owner and Operator of Snug Haven Farm with her husband Bill Warner, which specializes in off-season crops with sales to restaurants primarily in Chicago and Madison, and to the Dane County Farmers' Market. Judy has served as a member of the Dane County Ag Advisory Council since 1999. She serves on the Board of the REAP (Research, Education, Advocacy, Policy) Food Group. In 1997 and 1998 she was manager of Home Grown Wisconsin. For almost three years Judy served as co-manager of the Dane County Farmers' Market and now serves on the Board of Friends of the Dane County Farmers' Market. During the winter months she is the Winter Farmers' Market Breakfast Coordinator. Judy is also involved with farm tours for school groups and is "farmer" to Chavez School. She grows tomato seedlings for kids to take home and grow during the summer months. [Term ends 4/11/09]

University Extension Committee Appointments

Dale Secher

Mr. Secher runs and operates Carandale Farms with his wife Cindy in Oregon. They sell much of their produce—strawberries, raspberries, apples and grapes – right at the farm. Besides marketing from the farm, the Sechers attend the Dane County Farmer's Market. In the fall, they supply apples weekly to several school lunch programs. Carandale Farm's history goes back to 1968 when Dale bought part of an old dairy farm. He has been a full time farmer since 1976. Dale is educated as an engineer and worked for the Wisconsin Department of Transportation, building roads, before working for the Soil Conservation Service. He is active in many state, national and international fruit growing organizations and is on the Citizen Advisory Committee for CIAS. Dale's goal is to use his multi-disciplinary background to promote sustainable, horticultural practices, economic growth, local food distribution systems, urban development and open space land use. [Term ends 4/11/09]

Jane Voichick

Dr. Voichick served on the Department of Nutritional Sciences faculty at the University of Wisconsin-Madison between 1971 and 1996. During this period she took several years off to work at USDA as the administrator of Extension Nutrition Programs. She also has worked in extension administration at the University of Wisconsin-Extension. Dr. Voichick served as Executive Editor for the Journal of Nutrition Education and Behavior between 1996 and 2002. Between 1996 and 2004 she served on the Society for Nutrition Education Board of Directors as a Director at large, and Vice President, President-Elect and President of the society. She has managed the Wisconsin hunger prevention grant program and served as staff to the Wisconsin Board on Hunger. Currently Dr. Voichick serves on the Board of Directors for the Roundy's Foundation and on the State Steering Committee for the Wisconsin Food Security Consortium. [Term ends 4/10/09]

Amanda Petrie, 1762 County Road V Columbus, WI 53925 ((608) 825-0168), to fill an open position on the Food Council. Ms. Petrie is a member of the R & G Miller and Sons Inc. Organic Dairy Farm operation. Ms. Petrie has a background in banking and finance, and has worked in that industry in Colorado before choosing to return to the home dairy operation. Ms. Petrie has a strong commitment to local agriculture and food issues. This term will expire 4/19/11. [Term ends 4/11/09]