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The **Grain and Feed Association of Illinois** is gifted with people who willingly give of their time and talent for the benefit of the industry. The following information lists leaders who have helped make the Association one of the most influential state agricultural organizations.

We hope you will find this information useful in locating the names of committee members, directors and staff whom you may want to contact concerning activities of the Grain and Feed Association of Illinois.

#### STAFF

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### COMMITTEE DESCRIPTIONS

#### **Convention and Trade Show Committee**

Committee members provide input and insight from industry professionals to help plan the convention and trade show and discuss event items such as location, speakers, programs and entertainment to assemble an event that Association members will find of tremendous value. This committee meets twice a year.

#### **Workforce Development Committee**

Committee members identify education and training areas of need within the industry and develop programs that increase skills, abilities and effectiveness and enhance the professionalism of all who work within the industry to meet those needs, as well as analyze available industry technology to determine application and the best way to inform or train industry members. This committee meets at least once a year with 2-3 conference calls.

#### **Scholarship Committee**

Committee members direct and oversee actions of the Grain and Feed Association of Illinois Scholarship Program, help raise scholarship dollars and awareness of the scholarship program through fundraising events and other activities and select scholarship recipients interested in working in the grain and feed industry. This committee meets twice a year.

### INDUSTRY ACTION GROUP DESCRIPTIONS

**Industry Action Groups** were formed to bring together an exchange of ideas among those members who have interest in specific topics. There will not be any planned meetings; however, should an issue arise to the level requiring IAG participants to meet face-to-face, the group can schedule a meeting.

**Environmental:** monitor environmental regulations affecting the grain and feed industries including air permits, noise complaints and other compliance issues.

**Feed:** discussion of regulatory rules and guidelines impacting the manufacturing and distribution of livestock feed

**Facility Operations:** provide input on potential educational programs to focus on security, energy, maintenance and property management to promote efficient facility operations

**Grain Grades and Quality:** analyze proposed changes to the U.S. Grain Standards Act or other action that would have implications on the testing, grading and weighing of grain; also, to work with state agencies regarding rules and regulations impacting the industry.

**Illinois Grain Code:** analyze and discuss current rules and proposed changes to the Illinois Grain Code and their impact on the industry.

**Legislative:** review and analyze the impact of legislation introduced in the Illinois General Assembly on the grain and feed industry; to promote laws which will improve the business climate for the industry in Illinois by supporting or opposing specific proposals.

**Safety and OSHA:** work to ensure that OSHA and other safety regulations are properly carried out and are not cost prohibitive and improve safety and health in the industry

**Transportation:** provide input on safe and efficient means of transporting grain and grain products by water, rail and road without excessive regulation or cost.

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