

## IOWA ETHICS AND CAMPAIGN DISCLOSURE BOARD

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Megan Tooker, Executive Director and Legal Counsel

<i>Name</i>	<i>City</i>	<i>Term Ending</i>
James Albert, Chair.....	Urbandale.....	April 30, 2015
Jonathan Roos.....	Polk City.....	April 30, 2017
Mary Rueter.....	DeWitt.....	April 30, 2017
Carole Tillotson.....	Windsor Heights.....	April 30, 2016
John Walsh.....	Dubuque.....	April 30, 2016
Saima Zafar.....	West Des Moines.....	April 30, 2015

The Iowa Ethics and Campaign Disclosure Board was created to promote the public's trust and confidence in government. The board administers the campaign laws in Iowa Code chapter 68A as applied to all state and local elections for public office and ballot issues in Iowa. The board also oversees the ethical conduct of officials and employees of the executive branch of state government and candidates for statewide office under Iowa Code chapter 68B. The board provides advice to local governmental personnel concerning the application of the applicable laws in Iowa Code chapter 68B, but does not conduct investigations or impose sanctions on local governmental personnel for violations of the chapter. The board has the authority to enter into an agreement with a political subdivision of government to enforce the subdivision's adopted code of ethics. The board also investigates complaints from the Secretary of State's Office to determine if a supervisor district plan adopted pursuant to Iowa Code section 331.210A was drawn for improper political reasons as described in Iowa Code section 42.4(5). The board ensures the lawful behavior of persons who engage in lobbying activities before the executive branch of state government as provided in Iowa Code chapter 68B. The board also enforces Iowa Code section 8.7 requiring state agencies to file reports with the board disclosing gifts and bequests that the agencies receive. Finally, the board receives copies of certain filings by federal candidates and officeholders. The board's administrative rules implementing these statutory provisions are found in the Iowa Administrative Code under the agency identification number 351.

The board enforces the statutes and rules under its jurisdiction and is guided by the principles of fairness and consistency. The board strives to enforce the law while not discouraging individuals from being involved in the political process or in state government. The board seeks to educate those persons who come under its jurisdiction concerning the requirements of Iowa law and embraces technological changes to better serve the public.

## IOWA STATE FAIR BOARD

§173.1, 173.9

P.O. Box 57130, Des Moines 50317; (515) 262-3111;

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<i>Name</i>	<i>City</i>	<i>Term Ending/Type</i>
Gary McConnell, President.....	Bloomfield.....	December 2014
Alan Brown.....	Hampton.....	December 2013
Randy Brown.....	Osceola.....	December 2013
John Harms.....	Monticello.....	December 2013
Dave Hoffman.....	Le Mars.....	December 2014
Bill Neubrand.....	Le Mars.....	December 2013
Jerry Parkin.....	Earlham.....	December 2014
James Romer.....	Ames.....	December 2014
Robert Schlutz.....	Columbus Junction.....	December 2013
C. W. Thomas.....	Guthrie Center.....	December 2013

Paul Vaassen.....	Dubuque.....	December 2014
Gary VanAernam .....	Exira.....	December 2014

*Ex officio members*

Terry E. Branstad, Governor.....	Statutory
Steven Leath, President, Iowa State University.....	Statutory
Bill Northey, Secretary of Agriculture.....	Statutory

*Nonvoting member*

Gary D. Slater, Secretary .....	Serves at Pleasure of Board
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Every August, over a million people from all over the Midwest flock to the Iowa State Fair, the state's great celebration, a salute to Iowa's best in agriculture, industry, entertainment, and achievement.

The fair is the home of a 20-acre farm machinery show and the largest arts show in the state. More than 600 exhibitors and concessionaires offer modern merchandise and quality foods. Large 4-H and FFA shows provide excellent educational opportunities for youngsters. More than \$350,000 worth of entertainment is offered free with gate admission. The grandstand offers superstar stage shows and track events. History comes alive in Heritage Village, a tribute to Iowa's hardy pioneers. The 10-acre midway offers 100 rides, shows, and games.

The Iowa State Fair is one of the oldest agricultural and industrial expositions in the nation. The first was held in Fairfield in 1854 on a six-acre tract. The next year's fair was also held in Fairfield. From 1856 to 1879, the fair moved from city to city: Muscatine, 1856 – 1857; Oskaloosa, 1858 – 1859; Iowa City, 1860 – 1861; Dubuque, 1862 – 1863; Burlington, 1864 – 1866; Clinton, 1867 – 1868; Keokuk, 1869 – 1870 and 1874 – 1875; and Cedar Rapids, 1871 – 1873 and 1876 – 1878.

In 1879, the fair moved to Des Moines to stay. In 1884, the General Assembly appropriated \$50,000 for the purchase of grounds in Des Moines on the condition that the city raise an equal sum for site improvements. The 270-acre site was dedicated two years later. It continued to grow to its present size of 400 acres. The Iowa State Fair was the inspiration for the original novel, three motion pictures, and the Rodgers and Hammerstein Broadway musical, all titled *State Fair*.

A separate State Fair Board was created in 1923, consisting of the Governor, the Secretary of Agriculture, the president of Iowa State University, one director from each congressional district, and three directors at-large. Makeup of the board was changed in 2001 to two directors from each of the six state fair board districts, plus three ex officio members. Official delegates, representing Iowa's 105 county and district fairs and other agricultural associations, elect these directors at the annual State Agricultural Convention in December. The president, vice president, and treasurer of the State Fair Board are elected by the board from elected directors. The board also selects a secretary.

The General Assembly may appropriate funds for major capital improvements and repairs; all other operating expenses are paid from revenue generated by the fair. The fairgrounds are used year-round as a meeting and exposition center, featuring such events as large trade and machinery shows; sports events; national livestock, horse, and dog shows; arts and crafts exhibitions; private gatherings; auto races; concerts; and a wide variety of other activities.

## IOWA FINANCE AUTHORITY

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2015 Grand Avenue, Des Moines 50312;

(515) 725-4900 or (800) 432-7230;

[www.iowafinanceauthority.gov](http://www.iowafinanceauthority.gov)

David Jamison, Executive Director .....	Serves at Pleasure of Governor
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<i>Name</i>	<i>City</i>	<i>Term Ending</i>
Darlys Baum, Chair .....	Burlington .....	April 30, 2015
Carmela Brown .....	Urbandale.....	April 30, 2015
David Greenspon .....	West Des Moines .....	April 30, 2017
Jeffrey Heil.....	Haverhill .....	April 30, 2019
Joan Johnson .....	West Des Moines .....	April 30, 2019