

## **WMCA BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**

DAVE BATTERMAN, CHAIRMAN

June 30, 2026 10:00 a.m.

Kwik Trip Distribution Center Deforest, WI

### **AGENDA**

- Welcome and Roll Call
- Secretary's Report
- Membership Report
- Financial Report
- Foundation Report
- Safety Council Report
- Legislative Report
- Other Business
- Next Meeting – September 10, 2026 – Delavan
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**Wisconsin Motor Carriers Association**

**David Batterman, Chair**

**Board of Directors Meeting Minutes**

**March 25, 2026**

**Stoughton Trailers**

**Call to Order**

The meeting of the Wisconsin Motor Carriers Association (WMCA) Board of Directors was called to order at **10:06 a.m.** on **March 25, 2026**, at **Stoughton Trailers**. Stoughton Trailers President and CEO provided a 10-minute presentation to the board.

**Attendees**

The following individuals were in attendance:

Andrew Ryther, Penske; Andy Archie, Certco; Austin Edwards, TrueNorth Companies; Austin Freeman, JX Truck Center; Bill Skinner, Skinner Transfer; Blake Westphal, ZZ Transport; Bob Larsen, J.J. Keller; Chris Dahlby, Kwik Trip; Christopher Schmidt, Baker Tilly; Craig Wolf, E.H. Wolf and Sons, Inc.; Dan Johnson, WMCA; Dan Miller, Valley Express; Eric Huotari, Schneider National Bulk Carriers; Ethan Zeimet, Millis Transfer LLC; Greg Gmeinder, Americas Service Line; Jake Kreilkamp, Kreilkamp Trucking; Jeff Green, Mail Management Services; Jill Rettler, Kreilkamp Trucking, Inc.; Jim Stowell, Stowell Trucking; John Tramburg, Vita Plus Holdings; Jon Coca, Diamond Transportation System, Inc.; Kevin Pence, Johnsonville Trucking; Kim Conradt, WMCA; Kurt Kruger, Next Logistics; Lisa VanderMause, WMCA; Matt Grove, Truck Country; Paige Anderson, WMCA; Paul Westberg, CLA; Riley Feldmann, Penske Truck Leasing; Ryan Leslie, Fort Transportation; Susan Jaske, Fairway Transit; and Tom Foeckler, Truck Country.

**Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes**

The meeting proceeded to the Secretary's Report, where the minutes of the December 17, 2025 Board of Directors meeting were presented. Motion: The December 17, 2025 minutes were accepted as presented and approved.

**Membership Report**

The Membership Report was presented, reflecting a total of 827 members across all WMCA divisions. The report noted a decline in independent owner-operators.

Introduction:

Lisa VanderMause was introduced as the new Vice President and Membership Director.

She shared an overview of upcoming membership recruitment and retention initiatives planned for the association.

### **Financial Report**

Dan Johnson presented the financial report for the period January 1 through March 1, 2026, noting:

- Total Expenditures: \$124,173
- Total Revenue: \$141,071
- Ending Fund Balance: \$142,069

### **WMCA Foundation Report**

The WMCA Foundation reported a balance of \$103,499 as of March 1, 2026. Grants have been distributed to:

- Truck driver training programs
- Various charitable organizations

The Foundation announced its primary fundraising event is scheduled for June 3, 2026.

### **Safety Council Report**

The Safety Council reported:

- Participation by over 20 member companies in responsive rotating safety programs
- Upcoming initiatives including Trooper in a Truck and President's Safe Driver Club luncheons

The next WMCA Safety Banquet will be held on February 27, 2027, at The Osthoff Resort.

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### **Industry Initiatives and Legislative Updates**

#### **Education and Training Initiatives**

Kim Conradt provided updates on upcoming educational offerings, including:

- HAZMAT certification seminars
- Vehicle maintenance training courses

- The Truck Tech Competition, scheduled for May 15–16, 2026, at Fox Valley Technical College in Appleton

## **Legislative Report**

Dan Johnson reported that the 2025–2026 Wisconsin legislative session had concluded.

Key developments included:

- Passage of a tort reform bill addressing expert witness testimony standards
- Updates to the Commercial Driver Training Grant Program

At the federal level, updates included:

- New rules addressing non-domiciled Commercial Driver Licenses (CDLs)
  - Ongoing efforts to combat “chameleon carriers”
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## **Trucking Events and Association Updates**

A new membership drive event is planned for June 5, 2026, at a stadium venue. Members may invite prospective members to attend with complimentary tickets provided.

## **Motor Carriers Maintenance Council**

Lisa VanderMause provided an update on the Motor Carriers Maintenance Council, currently in the exploratory phase. The council will focus on:

- Operational efficiency
- Labor training
- Workforce retention

Plans include forming a five-member steering committee, consisting of four trucking company representatives and one allied member.

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## **Adjournment**

With no further business, the meeting adjourned on a approved motion at **10:57 a.m.**

## MEMBERSHIP REPORT

June 30, 2026

Membership in the WMCA consists of **791** members in the following divisions:

| <b>Membership Type</b> | <b>March, 2026</b> | <b>June, 2026</b> |
|------------------------|--------------------|-------------------|
| Trucking               | 269                | 274               |
| Allied                 | 122                | 131               |
| Movers                 | 9                  | 10                |
| Milk Haulers           | 65                 | 67                |
| Towing                 | 179                | 182               |
| Motorcoach             | 26                 | 26                |
| Owner Operators        | 153                | 99                |
| Friends of Trucking    | 3                  | 2                 |
| <b>TOTAL</b>           | <b>826</b>         | <b>791</b>        |

Membership in the WMCA and all Divisions remains generally stable but we do continue to see a decrease in the independent owner/operator division, which is affecting the overall number.

The Membership Committee continues its efforts and our VP, Lisa VanderMause, has been working and implementing new strategies to both recruit new members as well as “win back” members who have left the WMCA.

Since joining the WMCA in February, we have seen a definite increase in both trucking company and non-trucking company members due to her efforts.

The WMCA held a membership drive on June 5th at the Jordan Love Charity Softball Game, where current members brought non-members to experience the WMCA and talk about the benefits of membership. It was a good turnout and a worthwhile effort.

This concludes the Membership report.

**TREASURER'S REPORT**  
**WMCA BOARD MEETING**  
**June 30, 2026**

Between January 1, 2026, and June 1, 2026, the WMCA had total expenditures of \$281,145 and total revenue of \$353,883 with an ending fund balance of \$292,065.

Through the first five months of 2026, the Association is performing significantly ahead of its budget and is in a very strong financial position.

In regards to other WMCA accounts, as of June 1, 2026, the Political Action Committee (W-TON) account had a balance of \$33,785 and the Truckers for Wisconsin Fund had a balance of \$22,160.

The financial statements appear on the next screen, and this concludes the Treasurer's report.

# Wisconsin Motor Carriers Association

## Profit & Loss

### January through May 2026

|                               | <u>Jan - May 26</u> |
|-------------------------------|---------------------|
| Other Income/Expense          |                     |
| Other Income                  |                     |
| Administrative Income         | 42,791.85           |
| Advertising                   | 6,750.00            |
| ATA Commissions               | 1.00                |
| Association Meeting Income    | 475.00              |
| Contribution Income           | 6,479.55            |
| Convention Income             | 500.00              |
| Diamond Club                  | 50,000.00           |
| Dues                          | 161,368.76          |
| Golf Outing Income            | 35,230.00           |
| Independent Operator Fees     | 4,428.00            |
| Interest Income               | 3,227.32            |
| Mover Dues                    | 900.00              |
| NATMI Training Income         | -400.00             |
| Processing Fee Income         | 5,415.83            |
| Seminar Income                | 6,345.00            |
| Services Royalties            | 1,901.92            |
| Sporting Clays Shootout       | 25,319.48           |
| Tailgate Income               | <u>3,150.00</u>     |
| Total Other Income            | 353,883.71          |
| Other Expense                 |                     |
| Accounting Services           | 30,559.98           |
| Administrative Fees           | 56.97               |
| Association Meetings          | 744.61              |
| ATA-TAEC Expenses             | 3,521.34            |
| Banking Fees                  | 70.01               |
| Business Insurance            | 10,654.32           |
| Computer & Software Expense   | 0.00                |
| Contributions & Scholarships  | 5,140.00            |
| Convention Expenses           | 15,497.50           |
| IT Equipment & Maintenance    | 476.15              |
| Membership Dues/Subscriptions | 4,740.50            |
| Merchant Fees                 | 10,087.36           |
| Office Services               | 1,203.54            |
| Office Supplies               | 735.25              |
| Payroll & Related             | 147,287.36          |
| Pension Plan Admin Fees       | 685.00              |
| Postage & Mailing Supplies    | 1,936.26            |
| Rent                          | 16,199.25           |
| Sales & Use, Property Taxes   | 10.00               |
| Seminar Expenses              | 4,382.65            |
| Tailgate Expenses             | 21,380.00           |
| Telephone & Internet          | 1,038.31            |

**Wisconsin Motor Carriers Association**  
**Profit & Loss**  
**January through May 2026**

|                     | <b>Jan - May 26</b>     |
|---------------------|-------------------------|
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| Travel Expenses     | 2,139.53                |
| Utilities           | 1,849.90                |
| Web Site            | 750.00                  |
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| Total Other Expense | 281,145.79              |
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| Net Other Income    | 72,737.92               |
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| Net Income          | <u><u>72,737.92</u></u> |

**Wisconsin Motor Carriers Association**  
**Balance Sheet**  
As of May 31, 2026

|                                       | <u>May 31, 26</u>     |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------------|
| <b>ASSETS</b>                         |                       |
| Current Assets                        |                       |
| Checking/Savings                      |                       |
| Checking - General (OCB)              | 137,630               |
| Money Market - General (OCB)          | 41,266                |
| Reserve Fund (OCB)                    | 185,631               |
| Petty Cash                            | <u>277</u>            |
| Total Checking/Savings                | <u>364,803</u>        |
| Total Current Assets                  | <u>364,803</u>        |
| <b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>                   | <b><u>364,803</u></b> |
| <b>LIABILITIES &amp; EQUITY</b>       |                       |
| Equity                                |                       |
| Fund Balance                          | 292,065               |
| Net Income                            | <u>72,738</u>         |
| Total Equity                          | <u>364,803</u>        |
| <b>TOTAL LIABILITIES &amp; EQUITY</b> | <b><u>364,803</u></b> |

**WMCA FOUNDATION REPORT**  
**WMCA Board Meeting**  
**June 30, 2026**

As of June 1, 2026, the balance in the WMCA Foundation account was \$103,049.

Over the last year, the Foundation has provided \$2,250 to Fox Valley and Northwoods technical colleges for their CDL scholarship programs, \$5,000 to the Jordan Love Hands of Love Foundation, \$2,000 to the 2025 Thank-A-Trucker event, and is a Silver Sponsor of the 2026 Badger State Truck 'N' Show, which raises money for the Make A Wish Foundation.

The 2026 Sport Shooting Clay event – the primary fundraiser for the Foundation – was held on June 3rd at Milford Hills and it was another well-attended and successful event. While we don't have all the final numbers just yet, it was one of our highest grossing events to date.

Thank you to all our sponsors, shooters and volunteers who made it such a success!

This concludes the Foundation Report.

## **WI Motor Carriers Association – June Legislative Report**

### **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 6<sup>th</sup> as Wisconsin Act 159.

### **CORCA Passes US House**

In May, the U.S. House of Representatives passed the bipartisan Combating Organized Retail Crime Act (CORCA) by a vote of 348-60. The legislation aims to strengthen federal efforts to combat organized cargo theft and supply chain crime through improved coordination and enforcement among federal, state, and local agencies.

The trucking, retail, and railroad industries strongly supported the bill, citing growing concerns over organized theft rings targeting freight and supply chains nationwide. It is now in the Senate for consideration.

### **SCOTUS Ruling on Brokers**

On May 14, the U.S. Supreme Court ruled unanimously that freight brokers and shippers can be sued for negligence under state law.

Previously, the logistics industry utilized the Federal Aviation Administration Authorization Act (F4A) to argue that federal law preempted these "negligent hiring" claims following an accident.

The Court clarified that the F4A's safety exception permits state common-law negligence claims to proceed, effectively ending the federal preemption defense for transportation intermediaries.

The ruling means if a broker or shipper contracts with a motor carrier that has a documented history of safety violations, conditional ratings, or high out-of-service rates, they can be held liable in state court if that carrier is involved in a crash.

The Court noted that companies are not automatically liable for accidents; rather, they are required to exercise "ordinary care" when selecting a carrier.

### **Federal BUILD America 250 Act Advances**

On May 22<sup>nd</sup>, the House Transportation & Infrastructure Committee's advanced the *BUILD America 250 Act* to reauthorize the nation's surface transportation programs. The Act includes a broad package of trucking-focused policies aimed at improving infrastructure, safety, workforce development, and regulatory clarity. Key provisions include:

- \$580 billion in roads and bridges
- \$750 million for truck parking expansion
- Restroom access for drivers at shipper/receiver facilities.
- Enhanced ELD oversight and strengthens FMCSA safety audit programs for new entrants.
- Extends the Safe Driver Apprenticeship Program, creating pathways for 18–20-year-old drivers.
- Includes the TRANSPORT Jobs Act to connect military veterans with trucking careers.
- New penalties for noncompliant CDL training providers
- Expands fraud detection tools within FMCSA to combat registration fraud.
- Creates a Cargo Theft Advisory Committee to address rising supply chain crime.
- Directs DOT to establish a national framework for autonomous trucks.
- Initiates studies on cabotage impacts and bridge strike prevention.

### **Wimberger and Spiros Named WMCA 'Legislators of the Year'**

The first-ever 'Legislator of the Year' Award by the WMCA was presented to State Senator Eric Wimberger in the Senate and State Representative John Spiros in the Assembly.

Not only have both been strong advocates for the Wisconsin trucking industry, but Senator Wimberger also drove truck for Schneider and Representative Spiros is currently employed by Roehl Transport.

The lawmakers were reviewed and chosen by the WMCA Legislative Committee earlier this year.