

ARA Exhibition Center Advisory Committee Appointments Updated April 2026

Term Started	Term Expires	Committee Member	Represents	Address	Phone	Email
June 2024	2 years January 2028	Nadine Miller (2024)	City of Appleton	914 N. Fox St. Appleton WI 54911	920-858-9550	nadinemiller914@gmail.com
January 2025	2 years January 2027	Mike Patza (2021)	Town of Grand Chute	1900 W. Grand Chute Blvd. Grand Chute WI 54913	920-832-1599	michael.patza@grandchute.net
March 2023	2 years January 2027	Mark Ellis (2024)	City of Neenah	211 Walnut St. Neenah WI 54956	920-722-5440	mellis@neenahwi.gov
February 2025	2 years January 2027	Chuck Kuen (2016)	Village of Kimberly	132 S. Willow St. Kimberly WI 54136	920-716-4502	ckuen@valleymanagement.com
January 2024	2 years January 2028	Kelli Antoine (2022)	City of Kaukauna	144 W. Second Street Kaukauna WI 54130	920-284-0265	kelli.antoine@kaukauna-wi.org
February 2024	2 years January 2026	Mike Vanden Berg (2016)	Village of Little Chute	427 Sanitorium Rd. Kaukauna WI 54130	920-851-4983	presidentvandenberglittlechutewi.org
March 2025	2 years January 2027	Thomas Wilde (2016)	Town of Neenah	163 Kuettel Ct. Neenah WI 54956	920-725-0014	twilde@new.rr.com
February 2024	2 years January 2028	George Dearborn (2016)	Village of Fox Crossing	2000 Municipal Dr. Neenah WI 54956	920-720-7105	gdearborn@foxcrossingwi.gov
April 2025	2 years January 2027	Chuck Gifford (2016)	City of Menasha	1229 Beechwood La. Menasha WI 54952	920-730-3800	cgifford@wiscohoteles.com
April 2024	2 years January 2028	Bob Benz (2016)	Village of Sherwood	N7639 Lower Cliff Rd. Sherwood WI 54169	920-989-1760	bobmarbenz7@aol.com
February 2025	2 years January 2027	Ryan Batley Best Western Premier Bridgewood (2024)	Hotelier	1000 Cameron Way Neenah WI 54956	920-720-8000	ryanbatley@bwneenah.com
February 2024	2 years January 2026	Amanda Hedtke Fairfield Inn & Suites (2019)	Hotelier	130 S. Nicolet Rd. Grand Chute WI 54914	920-418-0288	amanda.hedtke@brandthg.com
February 2025	2 years January 2027	Maria Van Laanen President of PAC (2016)	Community Member	400 W. College Ave. Appleton WI 54911	920-730-3787	mvanlaanen@foxcitiespac.com
May 2024	2 years January 2026	Vacant	Community Member	1754 N. Winesap Ln. Appleton WI 54914	920-738-7724	jtnooyen@hotmail.com
February 2024	2 years January 2026	Marissa Downs (Vice Chair) (2016)	ARA Member	2520 E. Apple Hill Blvd. Appleton WI 54913	920-602-6679	marissadowns@gmail.com
		Pam Seidl	FCCVB Executive Director	213 S. Nicolet Rd. Appleton WI 54914	920-734-3358	pseidl@foxcities.org
Non-voting Advisory		Kara Homan	Community Development Director	100 N. Appleton St. Appleton WI 54911	920-832-6408	kara.homan@appletonwi.gov

Non-voting Advisory member		Jake Woodford (Chair)	Appleton Mayor	100 N. Appleton St. Appleton WI 54911	920-832-6400	mayor@appletonwi.gov
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