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CENTER FOR DAIRY EXCELLENCE REQUESTING BOARD OF DIRECTOR NOMINATIONS BY AUGUST 15

Nominations for Two Open Board Positions Must Be Submitted by August 15

Harrisburg, Pa. – The deadline to nominate a dairy producer or sales and service representative for the Center for Dairy Excellence’s Board of Directors is August 15, 2021. The Center, which is a non-profit 501C6 focused on strengthening and supporting Pennsylvania’s dairy industry, is currently looking to fill two openings on the board:

1. **A dairy producer from the Central Pennsylvania region** to fill an open position that will be vacated by a board member who has reached the two-consecutive term maximum set by the organization’s bylaws.
2. **A sales and service representative** with experience consulting dairy clients who is passionate about the future of the dairy industry.

“These positions are meaningful ways for dairy professionals to get involved in the industry and use their skills and experiences to help guide the Center for Dairy Excellence,” said Phoebe Bitler, Chair of the Board of Directors. “We value the collaboration and partnerships the Center for Dairy Excellence helps foster, and our Board of Directors was developed to represent all facets of the industry. Consider nominating yourself or someone you know for one of these vital positions.”

The Center’s Board of Directors must agree to serve a three-year term and may be re-elected for an additional term. The 17-member board guides the work of the Center for Dairy Excellence, a non-profit organization that fosters collaboration across the industry and provides resources to strengthen Pennsylvania dairy farms.

The individuals selected to the Center’s board may be asked to serve on a committee. The board meets four times a year, with committee meetings held once or twice a year. Board members are elected by the current Board of Directors during the annual board meeting, scheduled for December 8, 2021.

The Center’s Board of Directors was developed to represent all facets of the dairy industry, with seats for dairy farmers, allied industry professionals, marketing cooperative employees, retail representatives, processor representatives, veterinarians, and members from the Pennsylvania General Assembly. There is also a representative from the Penn State College of Ag Sciences Extension Dairy team and the current Pennsylvania Secretary of Agriculture.

To nominate a sales and service representative or a dairy producer to represent the Central region, please send the individual's name, contact information, and a one-paragraph statement about his or her background to Jayne Sebright, Executive Director, via email at jsebright@centerfordairyexcellence.org. Individuals may nominate themselves. Nominations may also be submitted by mail to Center for Dairy Excellence, Attn: Jayne Sebright, 2301 North Cameron Street, Harrisburg, PA 17110.

All nominations should be received by the Center for Dairy Excellence no later than August 15, 2021. For more information, call 717-346-0849.

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The Center for Dairy Excellence is a non-profit organization initiated by the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture in 2004. Bringing together people from more than 40 different dairy organizations in Pennsylvania, the Center's mission is to enhance the profitability of the dairy industry by empowering people, creating partnerships, and increasing the availability and use of resources. Learn more at centerfordairyexcellence.org.

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