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## **Deadline Approaching for FarmFirst Members to Submit Nominations for Leadership Roles**

*Deadline for Nominations is October 1*

*Madison, Wis.* [September 24, 2020] – FarmFirst Dairy Cooperative is seeking nominations from interested members to serve in various leadership roles, including serving as a delegate, a member of the Districting and Resolutions Committee and on the Board of Directors. The deadline is quickly approaching as nominations will be accepted until October 1<sup>st</sup>.

Members can submit nominations on the FarmFirst website ([www.FarmFirstDairyCooperative.com](http://www.FarmFirstDairyCooperative.com)) or by contacting the FarmFirst office (608-244-3373). A complete list of members nominated for election will be included in the cooperative's website and in the October MilkLine newsletter. Elected delegates will participate in the cooperative's annual meeting, February 12-13, 2021 and have the responsibility of approving the cooperative's public policy for the upcoming year.

"As a grassroots organization, it is imperative for members to be involved in the cooperative and to serve in these leadership positions. It is one of the many ways members can exercise their voice as a cooperative member," says John Rettler, dairy farmer and president of FarmFirst Dairy Cooperative. "Getting involved as a delegate allows members to provide direction on member services and policy advocacy."

Districting and Resolutions Committee members are responsible for drafting the proposed public policy for delegate approval and periodically reviewing district territories. Committee members serve 2-year terms. Elections will be held in: Districts 2, 4, 6 and 8. Board of Directors serve a 3-year term. Elections will be held in: Districts 2, 4 and 9.

A complete listing of each district membership area is available at the FarmFirst website under 'Members Services.' Members can also contact the office at (608) 244-3373 with questions.

*FarmFirst Dairy Cooperative, established in 2013 and based in Madison, Wis., represents farmers in Wisconsin, Minnesota, South Dakota, Michigan, Iowa, Illinois and Indiana by providing legislative and regulatory advocacy, dairy marketing services, disaster protection, laboratory testing opportunities and industry promotion. FarmFirst Dairy Cooperative is a merger of three long-time prominent Wisconsin-based cooperatives. Learn more about FarmFirst Dairy Cooperative by visiting: [www.FarmFirstDairyCooperative.com](http://www.FarmFirstDairyCooperative.com).*

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