

## **News Release**



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## WAFC announces 2021-2022 Leadership

**Lakewood, CA** - The Western Association of Food Chains (WAFC) is pleased to announce the 2021-2022 officers & board of directors elected on May 1, 2021.

## Officers



## **Advisory Chair**



Sarah Wehling SVP Fresh Foods Costco Wholesale Issaquah, WA

<u>Advisory Members:</u> Mike Stigers, Cub Foods/UNFI; Kevin Curry, Albertsons/Vons/Pavilions; Bryan Kaltenbach, Food4Less/Foods Co.; Donna Tyndall – Gelson's

<u>Directors:</u> Chris Albi, QFC; John Alston, Brookshire Brothers; Edward Basha, III, Bashas' Inc.; Robert Branton, Ralphs Grocery Co.; Jack Breeding, Food4Less/Foods Co.; Doug Campbell, Albertsons/Safeway – Seattle; Wendy Coldesina, Costco Wholesale; Chris Cowgill, Albertsons/Safeway – Denver; Joe Falvey, UNFI; Steve Fujimoto, Albertsons/Safeway - Portland; Miguel Garcia, Kroger-Dallas; Dennis Gibson, Fred Meyer; **Education Chairman:** Mike Hendry, Northgate Gonzalez Market; Kevin Lovell, Albertsons/Safeway - NorCal; Sam Masterson, Good Food Holdings; Rob McDougall, Gelson's; Phil Miller, C&S Wholesale Grocers; Dan Murphy, UNFI; Tyler Myers, Myers Group; Tom Nelson, Albertsons/Safeway - Southern; Matt Reeve, Smart & Final; Dan Sanders, Sprouts Farmers Market; Megan Snyder, WinCo Foods; Mimi Song, Superior Grocers; Keith Thomas, Stater Bros. Markets; Ryan Voorhees, Albertsons Corporate; Jim Wallace, Sprouts Farmers Market; Richard Wardwell, Superior Grocers; Roger White, Associated Food Stores; Rick Williams Albertsons/Vons/Pavilions; Eric Winn, C&S Wholesale Grocers.

Established in 1921, with grants in excess of \$34.5M, the WAFC is focused on providing educational opportunities for food industry associates. The highly acclaimed Food Industry Management Program at the University of Southern California Marshall School of Business has been available to qualified industry participants for 63 years. In 2000, the WAFC expanded its scope by working with community colleges throughout the Western United States to establish the "Retail Management Certificate Program." The Retail Management Certificate Program curriculum is currently available at 160 college/satellite locations and online nationally with over 3,500 graduates.

To learn more about the WAFC, go to www.wafc.com.