

Board of Director Candidate

Mike Rathjen

- Age: 42
- Education: Masters Degree in Agronomy
- Farms in the York Area
- Grows Corn and Soybeans
- Wife's name: Teresa
- Three Children: Rachel, Kiley and Shawn

Mike does 100% of his grain, 50% of his petroleum, 75% of his agronomy inputs and 100% Custom Application with UFC. Mike says the only input he buys from an outside source is seed. Mike remains loyal to farm dealer who he purchased seed from before UFC entered the seed business.

Membership and Leadership Responsibilities

Current UFC Director

Member of St Paul Lutheran Church—Utica

St. Paul School Board President and Secretary

Tough decisions are a part of every UFC Board Meeting, Mike states that he has enjoyed his first term as director and feels they have made some very good decisions. Those decisions according to Mike are accomplished by communicating and working with other board members to come to a consensus that is in the best interest of UFC.

Mikes vision for the future of UFC is to first work at increasing the amount of business being done in our current trade territory by getting back former customers and getting people to want to do the majority of their business with UFC. Second is to continue to look at ways to grow our business that will improve our bottom line and strengthen our financial position. Mike's contribution to this vision would be to work at getting members to see the value of doing business with UFC. To work with the board in making educated decisions in order to enhance the equity of UFC and it's members.

Mike believes UFC's core focus and mission to serve the membership should be providing the best products at competitive prices along with the best services. Doing these things right while continuing to build equity for its member owners should be our number one priority. I support UFC, the Board of Directors and UFC Membership by doing the majority of my business with UFC. I also support the decisions made by the Board as well as support my fellow board members.

Mike believes the most important core value of any director should be honesty. Working with others and for UFC hinges on whether you can be trusted. Loyalty is also important. If you're not a loyal UFC customer, you will not be a good board member. Responsibility and dependability are other important values to have as a board member. These essential attributes are needed by a board member to work with others, holding others accountable and working with UFC's best interest.

Mike Rathjen, 10/7/09



Board of Director Candidate Gary Resco

- Age 50
- Education: A.S. Degree Cloud County Community College
- Farms in Concordia/Clyde Area
- Grows Soybeans, Milo and Wheat
- 100% Dryland
- Wife's Name: Cami
- Three Children: Rielyn, Rylan and Rayden

Gary does 100% of his grain, 100% of his agronomy and 100% of his custom application with UFC.

Membership and Leadership Responsibilities

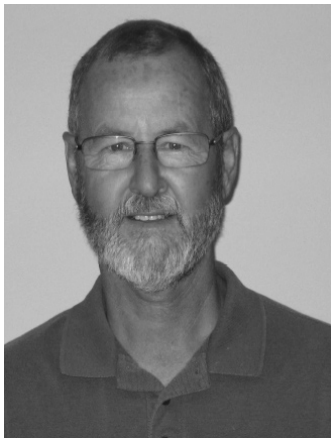
Past director of the Clyde Coop Elevator
Past director of the Farmers Coop Shipping Assn.
FSA Cloud County Committee
Cloud County Conservation District Board

Gary states that he has the experience in making tough decisions, by looking beyond his own personal interests, he will be able to make decisions that will benefit UFC and its membership as a whole. Gary has 18 years experience serving on boards and committees. As a member of the above stated boards, Gary has been involved in making tough and long term decisions and he looks forward to serving on the UFC Board because of the potential this company has and its importance to the success of all farming operations.

Gary's vision for UFC is that it grows stronger financially, while providing the "tools" (products, services, expertise, etc.) the "majority" of the farmers need "most of the time" to be successful. Gary's contribution to that vision is to be diligent and active in the planning and accountability process of this company. Also, to help ensure that this company has the best leadership possible and that board and management share in the company's vision. Gary feels that UFC's core focus and mission should be to serve its membership with a friendly, appreciative, professional attitude and as fair, equitable and competitive as possible. As the membership rewards UFC with their business, UFC through good management rewards the membership with equity revolvment and quality assets to use for their benefit. Gary supports UFC by doing business with UFC and by knowing and interacting with the board and by being open minded to the needs of the membership.

As a statement concerning core values and how those core values would influence his commitment to UFC, and how those values would affect his ability to cooperate with and hold accountable other board members, management and the members of UFC, Gary states: "Honesty and integrity along with the ability to be trusted are qualities needed to be an effective board member. One must be willing to devote time outside the board room for thought, study and research to be effective in the board room. As I possess these qualities, I will be supportive and a positive influence to the other board members, strengthening the board as a whole. I will hold others accountable as well as myself accountable by being responsible. My service so far has been a positive experience and I look forward to the opportunity to represent the membership on the UFC Board of Directors.

Gary Resco, 10/5/09



Board of Director Candidate Gordon Quiring

- Age 58
- Education: High School
- Farms south of Hampton, NE
- Grows Corn and Soybeans
- Wife's Name: Pauline
- Three Children: Alicia, Amanda & Autumn

Gordon does 100% of his grain, 20% of his petroleum business, 100% of his custom application and 80% of his agronomy inputs with UFC. Gordon has personal relationships with other dealers that go back many years and chooses to be loyal to them for a portion of his inputs.

Membership and Leadership Responsibilities

MB Church in Henderson where he serves as an Usher and Trustee
Hampton School Board of Education for 12 years

Gordon is prepared to make tough decisions by being committed to serving the interests of those that he represents with integrity and transparency and by doing his best to hold accountable other Board Members to do the same. Gordon believes he would make a good director because he has been a loyal patron of UFC for his entire farming career and he is personally invested in its continued success. As president of the local school board, Gordon has gained valuable experience in representing the interest of the community and would be honored to use those skills to benefit the UFC patrons.

Gordon's vision for the future of UFC is for it to fulfill its mission statement. Gordon believes that UFC should be "committed to growing our company, while maintaining the highest quality of service to...our patrons" and should "exceed the expectations of our owners, employees and communities." Gordon plans to contribute to this vision by becoming the eyes and ears of UFC in the community. As a longstanding member of the area's farming community, Gordon is in the position to communicate the views of patrons to the rest of the Board so that they can make well-informed decisions that serve the best interest of the patrons.

UFC's core focus and mission to serve the membership should be to continue to strive to meet the wide variety of needs of its membership. The needs of patrons are diverse across and within geographical regions. UFC should build on its strengths, while being responsive to the changing needs of its patrons. Gordon supports UFC and its membership by being a loyal patron of UFC for his entire life, communicating his ideas and concerns to current members of the Board of Directors, and being an advocate for UFC in the community.

Gordon's core values are honesty, loyalty, integrity, and commitment to community. These values are demonstrated in his current interactions with UFC and would continue in his role as a Board Member. He believes that these values are consistent with the current culture of UFC and therefore I would strive to maintain that culture.



Board of Director Candidate

Larry Naber

- Age 52
- Education: High School
- Farms in the Utica, Beaver Crossing Area
- Grows Corn, Seed Corn and Soybeans
- Wife's Name: Yvonne
- Three Children: Trevor, Curtis and Lacey

Larry does 100% of his grain, 100% of his petroleum business, 20% of his custom application and 70% of his agronomy inputs with UFC. Larry indicated that price is a factor when determining where he does his business.

Membership and Leadership Responsibilities

Past Board Member of Utica Coop and United Farmers Coop

Past President of Seward County Pork Producers

Larry stated he is prepared to make the tough decisions on behalf of the patrons and the company. One factor that will set Larry apart from other candidates is that he promises to listen to the patrons and use that knowledge to better the company. Larry will also support the direction and decisions of the Board.

Larry's vision for the future of UFC is to take care of our members first. Continue to pay patronage to 65 years and older patrons. We need to make the company stronger and regain the trust of the patrons, we can accomplish this by working with what we have and making that the best and then build from there. One way that Larry feels he can contribute to his vision is by being a leader and make UFC the best coop in the state and to keep facilities up and running.

UFC's core focus and mission should be "SERVICE" above all and fair prices. Doing this day in and day out will bring pride back to the company. Larry also believes that it is important to continue to retire equity that was promised to all. He plans to support UFC, the Directors and the membership by working with and for the people in his area by listening to the people and then make calculated decisions as to what is the best for the company and the patrons.

Larry strives to be fair, honest and straight forward with people. He is a good listener and wants to work for the good of the company and its patrons.

Larry Naber, 10/8/09