



Howard-Suamico
Business & Professional
Association

Board Members:

Michell Bartlein, Savoye Salon Spa – President
Katie Presser, North Shore Bank
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Marcia Sengstock, Westside GB YMCA
Nick Klimek, KAK Enterprises
Shaun Bessett, Festival Foods

Bryce Derenne WIPFLI – Treasurer
Mitch Mennen, Pfotenhauer Funeral Home
Scott Jandrin, Peshtigo National Bank
Clint Kimps, Kimps Ace Hardware

Ad Hoc Members:

Micki Volk, HSSD – Secretary
Alex Kaker/Nick Lemke, Village of Suamico

Bob Strazishar, DC Grafz

Dave Weise/Paul Evert, Village of Howard

**Board of Directors Meeting
Wednesday,
September 10, 2025– 8-9:30 a.m.
Howard-Suamico School District Office**

The Howard-Suamico Business and Professional Association is committed to supporting the businesses and professionals in Howard-Suamico by fostering growth and education; and strengthening member organizations in order to build a better community.

I. Call to Order – Michell Bartlein, President *8:05 am

- a. Icebreaker: What's the weirdest food you have ever tried, and would you eat it again?

II. Secretary's Report –Micki *8:13 am (vote)

- a. [Link to 8.13.25 report](#)

Motion to approve - Scott

Motion second - Jim

Motion approved

III. Treasurer's Report -Bryce Derenne *8:16 am (vote)

- a. Report can be found in Slack

Motion to approve - Scott

Motion second - Mitch

Motion approved

IV. New Members 8:17 am

- a. N.E.W. Santa Claus (Transfer Trail in Suamico)
b. Rapid Refuel LLC (Evergreen Ave in Howard)

Motion to approve - Scott

Motion second - Clint

Motion approved

Discussion - prorated payment for new members, plus 2026 fees (which needs to be set for the 2026 year)

V. Board Discussions 8:23 am

- a. Follow up discussion of the Community Bulletin - Bob, Jim, Michell
i. Promotional ideas for Nov/Dec issue, gather feedback, hiring out for sale
ii. Issues: costs are rising, advertising is declining. Bob believes that raising rates is not the answer
1. YTD = loss of over \$1500.00 (trend is loss of approximately \$800 per month)
2. To consider = quarterly Community Bulletin
b. Banner design approval



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- i. Michell designed a banner

VI. Community Reports 8:51 am

- a. Village of Suamico 8:51 – Alex Kaker
 - i. Add 54 single family plots
 - ii. Revaluation is ongoing
 - iii. Lineville construction is in its last phase (contract ends mid November)
- b. Village of Howard 8:54 am - Paul Evert
 - i. New director in Howard Commons
 - ii. Events: Brews in the Garden, Team One Mile, Oktoberfest, various bands, Movie in the Park, block party, Feed My Starving Children, Light the Night
 - iii. 3 Ducks Bagel and Bakery had soft opening
 - iv. Annual Optimist holiday parade (theme - favorite Christmas movie)
- c. Howard-Suamico School District 9:00 am – Micki
 - i. The first day of school went very well! We were happy to see our students in grades 4K-12 back for the 2025-26 school year.
 - ii. Mark delivered his annual convocation address. This year's theme remains Stronger Together, and his keynote was titled Walk in Someone Else's Shoes.
 - iii. The first Coffee with the Superintendent will take place on October 10 from 7:30-8:30 a.m. at La Java on Cardinal Lane. Mark your calendar if you'd like to join Mark for conversation and coffee.
 - iv. Community Engagement Sessions as part of the HSSD pre-referendum conversation will be taking place the week of October 6. Session dates and times will be publicized on the HSSD website, on social media, on a community postcard, etc. We want to hear your perspective on the future of our schools. Stay tuned for more information!
 - v. HSSD is looking for a special education teacher at Lineville. Visit the HSSD website to learn more and share this information with anyone who may be a good fit!
 - vi. MV ACP report - grant purchase (composter for FCS/Ag and partial funding for a robotic arm), work toward Pirate Partnership program

VII. Committee Reports 9:02 am

- a. Events
 - i. September 25 - free networking event at the Biergarten (restart, reignite, refresh HSBPA to meet and mingle with fellow community businesses). Please promote amongst your contacts.
 - ii. October 15 - Lunch and Learn with Bryan Schwebke
 - iii. November - Lunch and Learn (need speaker)
 - iv. December 10 - Holiday Party (venue is set)
- b. Member Engagement
 - i. Pickleball tournament - August 8, event went well, surplus of \$175, plan to run again next year
 - ii. Ace Progressive Leaders - crowdsourcing communication opportunity; looking for board members to pilot
- c. Communication/newspaper
 - i. Consider - revamp the HSBPA website to showcase a new theme

VIII. Set agenda items for next meeting 9:14 am

- a. Items still on the list
 - i. Dues increase
 - ii. Future fundraiser: Casino night-move to Holiday party 2026?



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- iii. Fun money fund
- iv. Ideas in regard to helping/mentoring businesses: directory to realtors and/or builders

VIII. Adjournment *9:14 am