

WISCONSIN MOTOR COACH ASSOCIATION
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
WMCA Main Office, Madison, WI
10:00 a.m. November 14, 2024

AGENDA

- 🚌 Call of the Roll
- 🚌 Secretary's Report
- 🚌 Membership Report
- 🚌 Financial Report
- 🚌 Legislative Report
- 🚌 Other Business
 - 2025 Convention Planning
 - Board Seat Vacancies
 - Coach-Only Association discussion
- 🚌 Adjourn

**WISCONSIN MOTORCOACH ASSOCIATION DIRECTORS
NOVEMBER 14, 2024**

OFFICERS

Chairman: Eric Jones
Vice Chairman: Joe Kobussen
Secretary/Treasurer: Dan Johnson

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Term of Office Expiring in 2025

John Meier, Badger Coaches, Inc., Madison
VACANT
Al Fugate, Van Galder Bus, Janesville

Term of Office Expiring in 2026

Joe Kobussen, Kobussen Coaches, Kaukauna
Mark Polzin, Budget Truck & Auto Body, Janesville
Eric Jones, Jones Travel, Elkhorn

Term of Office Expiring in 2027

Dennis Prigge, Discovery Coach Lines, Sheboygan
Steve Fazlovic, GO Riteway, Richfield
VACANT

**WISCONSIN MOTORCOACH ASSOCIATION
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
February 21, 2024
DoubleTree Hilton, Milwaukee**

MINUTES

The following are the minutes of the Board of Directors meeting of the Wisconsin Motorcoach Association held on February 21, 2024 in Milwaukee. The following directors and members were present:

Al Fugate, Eric Jones, Tom Dieckelman, Steve Fazlovic, Tom Westlund, Joe Kobussen, Mark Polzin, Dennis Prigge and Dan Johnson. The meeting convened at 11:50 a.m.

Secretary's Report/Meeting Minutes:

The minutes of the November 13, 2023 board meeting were offered. A motion was made and seconded to accept the minutes as submitted. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report:

The Report will be provided at the annual meeting at a later date.

Membership Report:

The Report will be provided at the annual meeting at a later date.

Legislative Report:

The Report will be provided at the annual meeting at a later date.

Election of Board Officers:

A motion was made and seconded to elect Eric Jones to serve as Chairman for one year and elect Joe Kobussen as Vice Chairman, also to serve one year. A motion was made and seconded to elect Dan Johnson as Secretary and Treasurer. Motions approved.

Miscellaneous Business

The next meeting will be held in early November, date and location to be determined. The 2025 convention will return to the DoubleTree Hilton in Milwaukee. Hearing no further business, Mark Polzin made a motion, seconded by Eric Jones to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 12:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Dan Johnson
Secretary/Treasurer
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MEMBERSHIP REPORT

November 2023 – November 2024

New Members

None.

Canceled Members

Westlund Bus Lines
Prevost

Sold Company
Non-payment of dues

Motor Coach Operators	15
Allied Members	9
Total members	24

**WI Motor Coach Association
Treasurer's Report
November 14, 2024**

Between October 1, 2023 and October 1, 2024, total revenue for the Wisconsin Motorcoach Association was \$13,400 and total expenses of \$17,080 with an ending fund balance on November 1st of \$5,402.

Revenue for the 2024 Convention was \$7,000 and expenses were \$4,880.

The financial statements were sent prior to today's meeting, and this concludes the report.

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Balance Sheet

As of October 31, 2024

	<u>Sep 30, 24</u>	<u>Oct 31, 24</u>
ASSETS		
Current Assets		
Checking/Savings		
Checking	5,402.84	4,386.17
TOTAL ASSETS	<u><u>5,402.84</u></u>	<u><u>4,386.17</u></u>
LIABILITIES & EQUITY		
Equity		
Fund Balance		
Fund Balance	9,082.98	5,402.84
Net Income	-3,680.14	-1,016.67
Total Equity	<u>5,402.84</u>	<u>4,386.17</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	<u><u>5,402.84</u></u>	<u><u>4,386.17</u></u>

Wisconsin Motor Coach Association
Comparative Profit Loss
October 2023 through September 2024 October 2024

	<u>Oct 23 - Sep 24</u>	<u>Oct 24</u>
Other Income/Expense		
Other Income		
Contribution Income	280.00	0.00
Convention Income	5,605.00	0.00
Dues	7,515.00	0.00
Total Other Income	<u>13,400.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
Other Expense		
Administrative Fees	12,200.04	1,016.67
Convention Expenses	4,880.10	0.00
Total Other Expense	<u>17,080.14</u>	<u>1,016.67</u>
Net Other Income	<u><u>-3,680.14</u></u>	<u><u>-1,016.67</u></u>

WI Motorcoach Association Legislative Report November 14, 2024

2024 NATIONAL AND STATE ELECTIONS

Donald Trump wins both the popular and electoral college vote, 312 in total which is considered a landslide.

Republicans regain control of the US Senate by a margin of 53-46 and it appears Arizona will go to the Democrats.

Republicans may hold the majority in the US House of Representatives but it's still unclear at this time. As of November 11, they have 214 seats and are only 4 seats away from holding the majority.

All Wisconsin House members retained their seats, so no change there. In the Green Bay area, Republican Tony Wied won the seat in an open district.

Republicans hold the majority in the State Legislature, but their majority was decreased slightly in both the Assembly and Senate.

The Republicans no longer have a super-majority in the State Senate, but still have an 18-15 majority. In the State Assembly, Republicans hold is now 54 seats and Democrats have 45, but a couple of those seats have been officially announced.

LEGISLATURE OUT OF SESSION

The 2025-26 State Legislature is out of session and legislators will return to the duties during the first week of January, 2025. Republicans will hold the majority in both Houses, but the number of seats held primarily in the State Assembly will tighten up between the two parties.

2023 Wisconsin Act 154

The new law increases the penalty for failing to stop for a school bus as required to a forfeiture of not less than \$500 and not more than \$1,000. The law also requires the Department of Transportation to assess four demerit points against the driving record of a person who fails to stop for a school bus as required.

2023 Wisconsin Act 153

The new law requires the Department of Workforce Development (DWD) to establish a commercial driver training grant to persons and entities that provide CDL training. Grants may not exceed, for each person trained, 50% of the cost to train that person or \$3,000, whichever is less. The deadline for applications and sunset of the funding is July 1, 2025.

SB 354 and AB 614 require the DOT to administer a verbal school bus safety examination that includes the hazards posed by other motor vehicles to school buses and passengers loading or unloading from school buses and of the laws that require motorists to stop when a school bus is displaying flashing lights.

The bill also specifies that knowledge tests driver's license applicants must include material testing the applicant's knowledge of the hazards, and that technical colleges and private driver schools must also provide similar instruction and information.

Both bills did not advance in the Legislature and thus, have expired.

DOT SECRETARY THOMPSON DEPARTS

DOT Secretary Craig Thompson has left the agency for a position as vice chancellor at UW-Madison.

Deputy DOT Secretary Kristina Boardman has been appointed to take Thompson's place and will become the first woman to serve as secretary of the department.

Boardman has 20 years of experience with the DOT and previously served as the administrator of the Division of Motor Vehicles. Before that, she spent a decade in the State Assembly as a legislative aide.

This concludes the Legislative Report.