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Three executives named to Farm Foundation Board

OAK BROOK, IL June 20, 2014: Three executives from across the food and agribusiness value chain have been elected to the Board of Trustees of [Farm Foundation](#).

Elected were Gregg Hillyer, Editor of *Progressive Farmer* magazine, John H. Miller, Vice President of Agricultural Products, Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railroad, and Craig Yunker of CY Farms. The election took place earlier this month at the Board's meeting in Oklahoma City, OK.

"We are excited that these accomplished professionals are adding their leadership to the Foundation's Board of Trustees," says Jay Armstrong of Armstrong Farms, and Chairman of the Board.

The new board members succeed individuals who have completed their terms on the Board. They are Paul Hammes, who recently retired from the Union Pacific Railroad; Alan Kemper of Kemper Farms; and Jack Odle, publisher of *Progressive Farmer*. Re-elected to five-year terms on the board were James Borel, Executive Vice President, DuPont, and Richard Crowder, Professor of Agricultural Economics at Virginia Tech.

Farm Foundation was created in 1933 as a trust governed by a 29-member Board of Trustees. Among the duties of the Board of Trustees is appointing the Board of Directors of Farm Foundation, NFP, the operating entity which carries out the programming mission of Farm Foundation.

Farm Foundation, NFP's [Dialogue On Food and Agriculture in the 21st Century](#) creates opportunities for a full range of stakeholders to discuss critical issues before the industry. Among the Dialogue initiatives is the [Soil Renaissance](#), which focuses on the importance of healthy soils in maintaining vibrant, profitable and sustainable natural resource systems.

The Foundation serves as a catalyst for sound public policy by providing objective information to foster a deeper understanding of issues shaping the future for agriculture, food systems and rural regions. The Foundation does not advocate or lobby. Farm Foundation has an 81-year commitment to objectivity, fostering the constructive debate that is essential to sound public policy development in a democracy.

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