



Neerlandia Co-operative Assn. Ltd.

2026 Annual General Meeting

Board of Director Nominees - We invite you to consider the following candidates for Director of the Neerlandia Co-operative Assn. Ltd. Two board members will be elected at the AGM, scheduled for January 17, 2026.

Jeff Schmidt was first elected in 2022 and has completed his first three-year term as director on the board of the Neerlandia Co-op. He was raised on a mixed hog and grain farm in the Vega area where he and his wife, LeeAnne, started their own hog and grain operation in 1997 and are now focused mostly on grain; they have three young adult children that still help around the farm today. Jeff is an active member of the community having served on his church board and the Vega Cemetery and Hall Committees. He has enjoyed his time on the board, learning about the relationship with Federated Co-op and the Co-op Retailing System and helping guide the Neerlandia Co-op to best serve the greater community.



Travis Wierenga lives just outside of Neerlandia with his wife Dee and two sons. He grew up here, leaving after high school to pursue a career in engineering, and then moved back in 2019. Travis currently works for the County of Barrhead as the Public Works Manager where he is responsible for the Infrastructure Services and Utilities departments. He holds a Professional Engineer designation with 20 years of experience and has worked throughout Western and Northern Canada. Outside of work, Travis is an avid outdoorsman and enjoys playing and coaching hockey. He also runs a small cattle herd to keep the freezers full and maintain farm status. Travis' board experience includes participating in County Council meetings, the Barrhead Regional Water Commission, Committee of Administration at church, Neerlandia Sports Committee, and he is also the current President of the Alberta Municipal Supervisors Association. Being invested and participating in our small but vibrant community is very important to him, and he recognizes the value that the Co-op provides to both the local and more widespread area.



Lucas Nanninga is a partner at Perry Law LLP. As a lawyer, small business owner, occasional farm labourer and former Neerlandia Co-op employee, Lucas has a diversity of experience to offer to the management of the Neerlandia Co-op. He values the strength of our local community and recognizes the important role the Co-op plays in Neerlandia. Lucas holds a Bachelor of Science from The King's University, and a Juris Doctor (law degree) from the University of Alberta. Lucas and his wife Jenna have two children.



Caleb Wierenga brings a strong mix of farming, business, and leadership experience that would serve the Neerlandia Co-op well. He operates a mixed grain and hog farm, giving him hands-on experience with budgeting, financial planning, equipment decisions, and long-term risk management. He has served as a board member with the Linaria Agricultural Society and as an Elder and Chairman of Council in his local church; he is also active in the community as a volunteer hockey coach. As a husband and father, he values stewardship, stability, and giving back to the community. He would bring practical thinking, steady leadership, and a grounded, real-world perspective to the Neerlandia Co-op board.



Outgoing directors:

- Bruce Wierenga - current vice chairperson and former chairperson → ineligible for re-election.
- Jeff Schmidt - completed one three-year term, building committee rep → eligible for re-election

Current directors:

- Wayne Visser - current chairperson, serving first three-year term (2028), 12 previous years of experience
- Keith Wiart - current secretary, serving second three-year term (2027), five years of total experience
- Curtis Miedema - serving first three-year term (2027), two years of total experience
- Zach Olthuis - serving first three-year term (2027), two years of total experience
- Murray Greilach - serving first three-year term (2028), one year of experience

If you are unable to attend the AGM on **January 17, 2026**, please contact the administration of the Neerlandia Co-op for instructions on how to **vote in absentia**.