



## **MEMBERSHIP ADVANTAGE**



**Powerful Things Happen When the Water Well Industry Unites!**





## **WELL WATER – NATURALLY BETTER®**

Water Systems Council (WSC) was founded in 1932. WSC is the **ONLY** national nonprofit organization with programs solely focused on protecting and promoting the private water wells and small shared wells serving more than 13 million households.

### **WSC VISION**

**Well water – recognized by all as safe and naturally better.**

### **WSC MISSION**

**To protect and promote well water systems.**

**WSC is YOUR Voice in the Water Well Industry!**





## **PROTECT**

The only organization solely dedicated to protecting and promoting the water well industry.



## **PROMOTE**

First piece of Federal legislation passed on behalf of the industry that will drive more business to you.



## **DEFEND**

State and local legal representation defending exempt wells and fighting against mandatory hookup.



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## NETWORKING

### Network with the leaders in the water systems industry at membership meetings.

WSC holds two (2) meetings each year.

Spring Meeting is held in Washington, D.C. for meetings and Congressional Fly-In.

Fall Meeting is the Annual Meeting, WWT Live Auction and Golf Tournament.

Getting involved with the WSC committees is another great way to network.

Committees in-person and virtually throughout the year. *(Committees listed on pages 14 – 15).*

#### MANUFACTURERS (21)

A. O. Smith Water Systems  
American Granby, Inc.  
Amtrol / Worthington Industries  
Ashland Water Group  
Baker Water Systems  
Boshart Industries  
Campbell Manufacturing, LLC  
Flexcon Industries  
Flint & Walling  
Flomatic Valves  
Franklin Electric Co., Inc.  
Grundfos  
Maass Midwest Manufacturing, Inc.  
Master Water Conditioning Corp.  
Merrill Manufacturing Co.  
Paulus Plastic Company  
Pentair  
Royer Quality Castings, Inc.  
Wells, Inc.  
Woodford Manufacturing Company  
Xylem, Inc.

#### DISTRIBUTORS (18)

2M Company, Inc.  
Aquaflow Pump & Supply Co.  
Austin Pump & Supply Co.  
Benson Pump  
Blake Equipment  
Drillers Service, Inc.  
E-Water Solutions  
Gicon Pumps & Equipment  
Headwater Wholesale  
Karam Pump & Supply, Inc.  
Milan Supply Company  
Milby Company  
Mitchell Lewis & Staver Co.  
Preferred Pump & Equipment, L.P.  
Valley Farms Supply  
Water Works  
Western Hydro  
Wholesale Pump and Supply, Inc

#### MANUFACTURER REPRESENTATIVE (4)

GroupOne Northeast  
Legacy Sales Associates  
Pacific NW Sales Company  
TAM Marketing

#### ASSOCIATIONS (21)

Arizona Water Well Association  
California Groundwater Association  
Connecticut Water Well Association  
Empire State Water Well Drillers Association  
Florida Ground Water Association  
Georgia Association of Groundwater Professionals  
Indiana Groundwater Association  
International Association of Plumbing & Mechanical Officials  
Louisiana Ground Water Association  
Maryland/ Delaware Water Well Association  
Massachusetts Ground Water Association  
Montana Water Well Drillers Association  
New Mexico Ground Water Association  
North Carolina Ground Water Association  
Oregon Ground Water Association  
Pennsylvania Ground Water Association  
South Atlantic Well Drillers Jubilee, Inc.  
South Carolina Ground Water Association  
Virginia Water Well Association  
Washington State Ground Water Association  
Water Quality Association

#### CONTRACTORS (34)

AAA Well Drilling, Inc.  
Always Pure Water Systems  
Apple River Well & Pump Company  
Aqua 1 Well & Pump, Inc.  
Barney Moravec, Inc.  
Bergerson – Caswell, Inc.  
Bill's Well Drilling Co.  
Bishop Well and Pump  
Breland Well Drilling Co., Inc.  
Capital Well Clean Water Center  
Carroll Water Systems  
Clyde's Well Service, Inc.  
Desmond Well Drilling, Inc.  
Dougherty Pump & Drilling, Inc.  
Eclipse Well Service, LLC  
Greco & Haines, Inc.  
Holman Pump and Well Service  
JD's Pump & Drilling  
Joe Curry Well Drilling, Inc.  
Kings River Drilling, LLC  
LaFramboise Well Drilling, Inc.  
Lake Valley Well Co., Inc.  
Liberty Pure Solutions, Inc.  
Mather Pump Service  
Merrill Drilling & Water Systems  
Mills Pump Service, Inc.  
Murray Drilling Company  
Nevada Water Solutions LLC  
Partridge Well Drilling Co., Inc.  
Sippel Well Drilling, Inc.  
Smith Pump Company, Inc.  
Smith Well Drilling, Inc.  
Spafford and Sons Water Wells  
Yadkin Well Co., Inc.

#### OTHER INDIVIDUALS (3)

Certified Property Inspection LLC  
Layne Christensen Company  
Tap Score

## STATISTICAL REPORTS PROGRAM

***The Water Systems Council (WSC) offers several statistical reports created by data collected from its members for their own benefit and use. These reports are listed below in the chart.***

Water Systems Council Statistical Reports			
Report	Description	Frequency	Qualifying Members
<b>Pump A Report</b>	Unit shipments of Jet & Submersible 4" and under well diameter. Also includes Submersible Liquid Ends, Variable Frequency Drives (VFD), and Three-Phase Motors.	Monthly	Manufacturers
		Quarterly	Distributors
		Semi-Annual (By-State)	Manufacturers & Distributors
<b>Pump C Report</b>	Unit shipments of Submersible over 4" and Component Submersible Systems.	Monthly	Manufacturers
		Quarterly	Distributors
		Semi-Annual (By-State)	Manufacturers & Distributors
<b>Tank Report</b>	Pressurized Water Storage Tanks and Hydropneumatic Storage Tanks	Monthly	Manufacturers
		Quarterly	Manufacturers
<b>Regional Reports</b>	Five-year Average Growth Trends using data from Pump A and Pump C Reports.	Semi-Annual	Manufacturers
			Distributors

***Information in WSC Statistical Reports is limited to participating companies and is not to be published or disseminated in any way.***

***WSC Statistical Reporting program is offered only to active WSC members in good standing.***

***Report data is collected by a third-party company to maintain confidentiality.***

- Only WSC members in good standing will be eligible for participation in the Statistical Reports Program.
- Any WSC member manufacturing products reported in the Statistical Reports Program must report data for the appropriate reports.
- Any WSC manufacturer member will receive one (1) complimentary report.
- Any WSC manufacturer member reporting data for both pump and tank reports will receive two (2) complimentary reports.
- Any WSC manufacturer member reporting data for the quarterly report(s) AND purchases the associated monthly report(s) will receive a complimentary copy of the quarterly reports.
- Any WSC manufacturer member has the option to purchase additional reports for an annual fee of \$700 per report if company participates in providing data for each requested report of that the company does not manufacture any water systems component that is being reported.
- New WSC members must be willing and able to provide data for statistical reports.
- New WSC members will be eligible to receive reports on the attached below vesting schedule. All membership years must be consecutive, or the vesting schedule begins again.



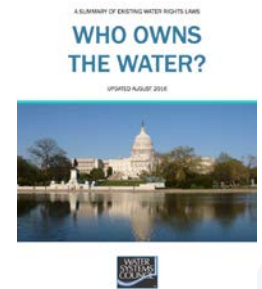
## STATISTICAL REPORTS PROGRAM (continued)

### Water Systems Council - Manufacturer Eligibility Schedule

Membership Year	Reports
Year 1	Pump A Quarterly Report, Pump C Quarterly Report, Tank Quarterly Report, Regional Report Semi-Annals
Year 2	Year 1 Reports, Pump A Monthly Report, Pump C Monthly Report, Tank Monthly Report
Year 3	Year 2 Reports, Pump A By-State Semi-Annual Report, Pump C By-State Semi-Annual Report

## SPECIAL REPORTS

- **An Analysis of Mandatory Hookup Law: Cases & Studies (January 2019)**
  - Detailed state laws allowing local government to require landowners to connect to public water and sewer, and the judicial interpretations of these laws. This report includes a listing of state plumbing codes, many of which mandate connection to public water when available.
- **Fighting Mandatory Hookup (October 2019)**
  - This publication attempts to provide guidelines for successfully fighting against Mandatory Hookup.
- **Who Owns the Water (August 2016)**
  - This report summarizes the common law and statutory rules for groundwater rights in each of the fifty states



## STATE OF THE U.S. WATER WELL INDUSTRY SURVEY and REPORT

WSC conducted the first-ever "State of the U.S. Water Well Industry Survey" late 2021. The data received in this survey is key in helping to promote and protect the future of the water well industry. It identifies contractor and supplier perspectives on challenges, opportunities, and trends within our industry.

The survey data collected each year and is shared with all WSC members and all participants. In addition, the survey data when advocating for our industry at the local, state, and federal levels.

The survey will be conducted on a yearly basis going forward and yearly reports are published.

## AROUND THE STATES REPORTS

### Monthly Reports (ALL WSC MEMBERS)

- **Legislative** Issues Impacting the Water Well Industry by State
- **Regulations** Impacting the Water Well Industry by State
- Many WSC state association members share this information with their members





## FEDERAL AND STATE ADVOCACY

**Monitoring federal and state legislation, ordinances and regulations that impact the water well industry.**

**Working with federal and state agencies at the policy level on issues relevant to well owners and the water well industry.**

### Federal and State Advocacy

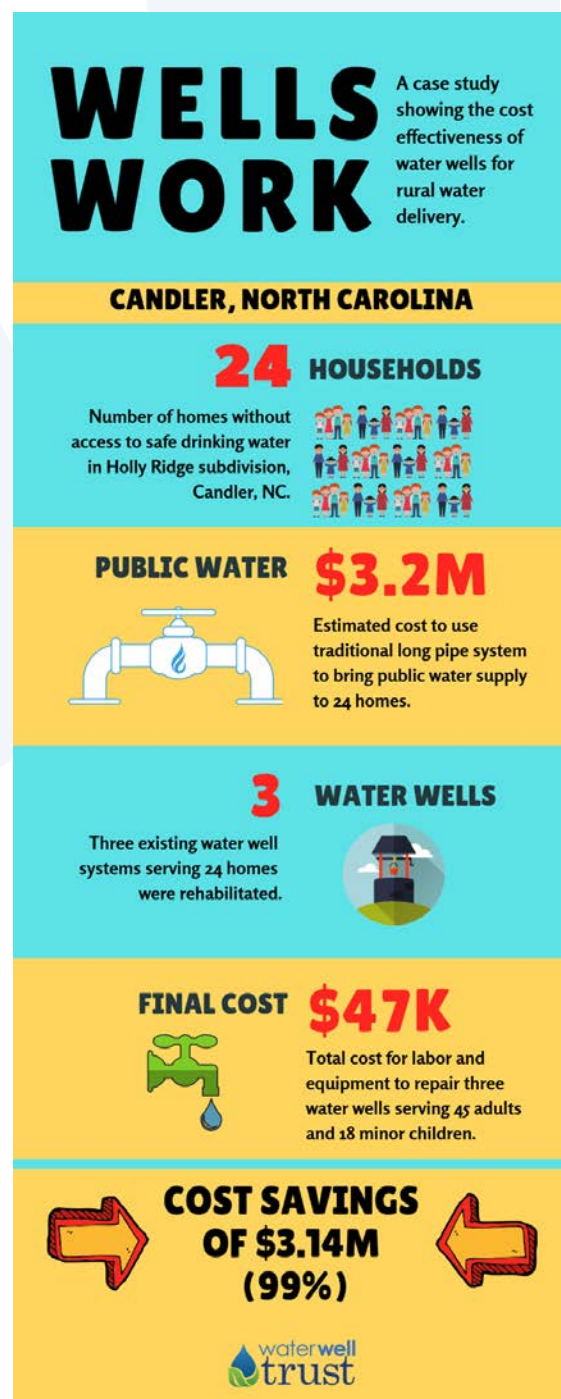
- September 18, 2014 – Introduced the Water Supply Cost Savings Act in the 113th Congress, a bill intended to help meet the needs of the nation's water infrastructure by utilizing cost-effective water well systems to serve small communities.
- The Water Supply Cost Savings Act requires small communities of 500 or fewer who are getting federal funding to consider using wells and well systems when developing water infrastructure.
- Over 3 years, the Water Systems Council and its members worked to build bipartisan support in the U.S. Senate and House of Representatives.
- December 16, 2016 – President Obama signed the WIIN Act into law, which includes provisions of the Water Supply Cost Savings Act.
- The passage of the Savings Act marks the first-time wells and well systems have been recognized by the federal government as a cost-effective, sustainable way to deliver safe drinking water to rural communities.
- October 25, 2018 – President Trump signed the American Water Infrastructure Act (AWIA), which included the Securing Required Funding for Water Infrastructure Now (SRF WIN) Act and was championed by WSC. Included in the SRF WIN Act was significant increases in annual, federal investment in water and wastewater infrastructure by billions of dollars.
- The passage of the America's Water Infrastructure Act, that includes the SRF WIN Act, greatly increased the much-needed funding for the Water Supply Cost Savings Act's targeted communities in need of water infrastructure.
- At the state level, WSC is always on the look out for mandatory hook up regulations. In 2019 we published two Special Reports *An Analysis of Mandatory Hookup Law: Cases and Statutes* and *Fighting Mandatory Hookup*.
- WSC and its partners of the Water Infrastructure Network, have advocated for the passage of the \$1.2T Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act, which was signed into law on November 15, 2021. This bill provides a record amount of funding for water Infrastructure - \$55B over the next five years on top of the \$15B already allocated.
- WSC holds our annual Spring meeting in Washington D.C., where we advocate on behalf of the water well industry. In 2023 we had a record 80 Hill visits.

## FEDERAL AND STATE ADVOCACY

**Senator Boozman (R-AR) stated, “the Water Systems Council was an integral part of getting this legislation included in AWIA and I couldn’t have done it without their help. I would like to thank WSC for its efforts in support of the SRF WIN Act.”**

### Next Steps

- WSC has created a website: [www.waterprojectfunds.com](http://www.waterprojectfunds.com) is a comprehensive guide on funding sources, planning resources, and case studies for rural community drinking water infrastructure projects that will be promoted in print and digital ads targeted to community planners and rural water operators.
- In 2023 WSC is advocating for Farm Bill inclusion of the USDA's Decentralized Water Systems Grant program that supports our nonprofit, the Water Well Trust, providing funding for wells for low-income Americans.
- Also, in 2023 WSC is working with the Water Quality Association to confirm the passage of the Healthy H2O Act., legislation that would provide direct assistance to rural communities, households, and non-profits to test their drinking water and fund filtration technology to provide safer drinking water.



## STATE LEGAL SUPPORT

**Water Systems Council files amicus briefs in court cases throughout the United States effecting the water well industry.**

### **Recent Cases:**

#### **United States Supreme Court Case: County of Maui, Hawaii v. Hawaii Wildlife Fund**

This case involved “groundwater as a conduit” or “indirect discharges” under the Clean Water Act. The majority rejected the positions of both parties in the case by producing its own test: that a permit is required if the discharge is the “functional equivalent” of a direct discharge. There is a lack of clarity in the decision. Inevitably, the United States Supreme Court will have to decide one or more additional indirect discharge cases before the rule is clear.

#### **Arizona Supreme Court Case: Silver v. Pueblo Del Sol**

This decision reinforced the principle that federal reserved water rights must be quantified prior to impacting state water rights. This principle provides important protection to private water wells and supports the notion that the right to a private water well is an important property right.

#### **Bounds v. State of New Mexico**

Bounds challenged the domestic well statute in New Mexico. In a unanimous decision, the court ruled that the domestic well statute did not violate the prior appropriation doctrine and did not violate the due process clause of the New Mexico Constitution. Although binding only in New Mexico, the decision could influence water policy around the country.

#### **Nevada Supreme Court Case: Wilson v. Pahrump Fair Water, LLC**

A pending lawsuit in the Nevada Supreme Court focuses on the right to an individual water well. In December 2018, the state engineer issued an order prohibiting the drilling of new domestic wells on existing parcels within the Pahrump Artesian Basin.

#### **Washington State Supreme Court Hirst Decision Case**

This decision, a surprise to most, threw counties into turmoil over how to handle applications for domestic water wells. Some counties placed a moratorium on new wells. WSC worked to get new legislation to overturn this decision.

#### **Superior Court of Washington County, State of Georgia**

This civil case has found a city of Sandersville ordinance that prohibits drilling of wells within its city limits unconstitutional. Furthermore, the court found that a private landowner has, under Georgia and Federal Constitutions, the right to drill a well on their property subject only to government’s reasonable rules and regulations looking to the protection, safety, and health of its citizens.



## WATER WELL STANDARDS

WSC spearheads standards development activities to establish performance standards for well and well parts.

### WSC Standard PAS-97 (2019) / ASSE Standard #1093-2019 (R2023)

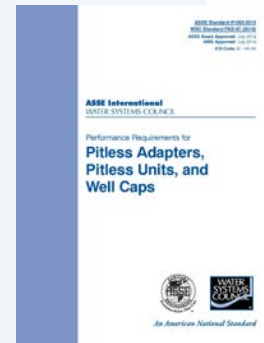
#### Performance Requirements for Pitless Adapters, Pitless Units, and Well Caps

- ANSI certification
- Listing of approved products is free for WSC members
- Non WSC members may list products for a fee

### WSC-PST-2000-2022 / ASSE 1099-2022

#### Performance Requirements for Pressurized Water Storage Tanks

- Standard prescribes minimum performance and construction requirements for pressurized storage tanks
- Listing of approved products is free for WSC members
- Uniform Plumbing Code (UPC) Approved for 2024 Plumbing Code



## WELL CONNECTED®

### Monthly Newsletter for WSC members only

- Most current industry information
- Legal Updates
- Event Reminders



## BUSINESS CONDITIONS QUESTIONNAIRE

- **Voluntary monthly survey** for manufacturers and distributors
- Surveying current and future business trends
- Data compiled via Survey Monkey by WSC staff
- Results are only shared with participating companies

## WSC WEBSITE

- **Members' Only Access** to Around the States reports and Well Connected®
- Company listing and hyperlink
- Interactive Map to locate WSC members
- 25% Discount on all publications

## COLLABORATIONS

- ASSE International
- Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)
- Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)
- National Ground Water Association (NGWA)
- National Rural Water Association (NRWA)
- Rural Community Assistance Partnership (RCAP)
- State Associations
- United States Department of Agriculture (USDA)
- Water Quality Association (WQA)
- Water Well Trust (WWT)



## WELLCARE® PROGRAM

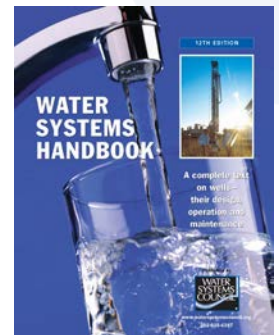
WSC serves as a key educational resource for private well owners on issues relating to water well maintenance, well water testing, well water treatment and all aspects of water well ownership.

- **Hotline Program** answers questions received via phone, website inquiry and live chat. The hotline has answered over 140,000 questions since 2003 to well owners and others looking for information or technical assistance related to wells and groundwater.
- **Well Owners Network** is free to join and has over 12,000 members. Most members are homeowners. Members receive a quarterly newsletter packed with important seasonal information on wells and discounts on well water test kits.
- **HELP Program** provides information to homeowners, and local and state agencies in areas affected by natural disasters and emergencies.
- **Interactive Map** to help locate emergency management agencies, health departments, information on water well testing including certified laboratories and list of water well professionals by state.
- **Information Sheets:** visit [www.watersystemscouncil.org/water-well-help/wellcare-info-sheets/](http://www.watersystemscouncil.org/water-well-help/wellcare-info-sheets/) to view over 100 sheets on the following categories (English and Spanish available for select sheets):
  - Agricultural Best Management Practices Information Sheets (4)
  - Basic Well Information Sheets (10)
  - Component Information Sheets (7)
  - For Environmental Health Specialists (3)
  - For Healthcare Professional (4)
  - For Home Inspectors (3)
  - For Real Estate Professionals (3)
  - Maintaining Your Well Information Sheets (14)
  - Other Information Sheets (15)
  - Potential Groundwater Contaminant Information Sheets (39)
  - Well Water Testing & Treatment Information Sheets (8)
- **Well Owner's Manual (English & Spanish)**  
Designed with the homeowner in mind, this 32-page booklet provides well owners with a spot to keep important well records, understand the basics of their well system, and regular maintenance.
- **Information Brochures and Booklets**
  - Home Inspectors Guide to Evaluating Water Wells
  - A Homeowner's Guide to Your Well
  - A Quick Guide for Well Owners
  - A Real Estate Agent's Guide to Buying or Selling Homes with Wells
  - Well Water & Children's Health
  - Well Water & Individuals with Compromised Immune Systems
  - Well Water Testing
  - wellcare® Hotline



## PUBLICATIONS

- **Water Systems Handbook** – 12th Edition  
This handbook has seven (7) sections
  - Book I – Well Fundamentals
  - Book II – Pumps
  - Book III – Service
  - Book IV – Components
  - Book V – Water Quality Assurance
  - Book VI – Electrical Safety, Controls & Regulators
  - Book VII – Community Water Systems, Shared Wells & Groundwater Heat Pump
- **Big Rig** – Children's Book  
This book on wheels educates the importance of protecting groundwater and learning the water cycle.



## COMMITTEES

- **General Membership Committees**

Any member of WSC in good standing is a voting member of the General Membership Committee.

- **Government Affairs – Richard Mest, Chair**

This committee is to provide input and direction regarding WSC's efforts in support of the water well industry at the federal, state and local levels including our efforts to retain and increase Congressional support for our programs.

- **Marketing – Matt Anderson, Chair**

Foster the awareness of the WSC's mission, to protect and promote well systems. Develop, maintain and adhere to brand consistency guidelines. Generate specific messaging and content for target audiences. Goal: Growth in membership and engagement within the industry.

- **Technical – Wind Evans and Tom Stephan, Co-Chairs**

This committee provides technical expertise for the development of WSC publications, technical manuals, workshops and training programs. It is also a technical resource for the wellcare® hotline.

- **Limited Membership Committees**

Membership in Limited Membership Committees is defined in WSC's bylaws in the committee's description for each Limited Membership Committee. Only members of a Limited Membership Committee can vote on that committee's business.

- **Distributors – Mark Ball, Chair**

This committee advises on issues of interest to the Distributor Members of WSC and promotes WSC membership among distributors. Membership on this committee shall be automatic for each Distributor Member.

- **Manufacturer Representatives – Bernie Kistner, Chair**

This committee advises on issues of interest to the Manufacturer Rep Members of WSC and promotes WSC membership among manufacturer reps. Membership on this committee shall be automatic for each Manufacturer Rep Member.

- **Pitless Adapter Standard – John Surinak, Chair**

This committee advises on issues related to pitless adapters and well caps as components of household wells and small shared water well systems. This committee is also responsible for the WSC PAS-97(2012) Pitless Adapters, Pitless Units, and Well Caps Standard. Membership on this committee is automatic for each manufacturer member that manufactures pitless adapters and/or watertight well caps.

- **State Association – Vacant**

This committee advises on issues impacting the water well industry and issues important to the State Association Members of WSC. Membership on this committee shall be automatic for each State Association Member.

- **Statistical Reports – Jill Boudreau, Chair**

This committee monitors and advises on all issues related to the WSC Statistical Reporting Program including program rules. Membership in this committee is open to all WSC Members who participate in the Statistical Reporting Program.

- **Tank – Steve Agnoli, Chair**

This committee advises on issues related to tanks as a component of household wells and small shared water well systems. This committee is also responsible for the WSC-PST-2000-2022 / ASSE 1099-2022 Pressurized Water Storage Tank Standard. Membership on this committee is automatic for each manufacturer member that manufactures tanks for water well systems.

## COMMITTEES (Continued)

### • Appointive Committees

Membership in Appointive Committees is defined in the WSC bylaws in the committee's description for each Appointive Committee. Only members of an Appointive Committee can vote on that committee's business.

#### ○ Development – Mark Heflin, Chair

This committee helps to identify new projects and program opportunities and resources for WSC. The committee is made up of four (4) WSC members appointed by the President in addition to a Vice President who is the chairperson.

#### ○ Finance – Chris Kampf, Chair

To look after the financial wealth of the organization.

#### ○ Membership – Gerry Duggan, Chair

This committee is to promote WSC to prospective members and to advise the Board of Directors on the qualifications of applicants for membership in WSC. The committee shall consist of at least one (1) representative from each of the following: Manufacturer Members, Distributor Members, Allied Interest Manufacturer Reps and State Associations. Members are appointed by the President.

#### ○ Nominating – Mark Heflin, Chair

This committee nominates a slate of prospective members for the Board of Directors and presents the slate to the members at the annual (fall) meeting. The nominating committee shall consist of three (3) members of the Board of Directors appointed by the President.

## LEADERSHIP

### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

**President** - Matt Servant – Pentair

**Vice President** - Mark Heflin – Franklin Electric Co., Inc.

**Treasurer** - Chris Kampf – Amtrol, Inc./Worthington Industries

**Distributor Member** - Mark Ball – Milby Company

**Past President** - Dan Story – Grundfos

### BOARD MEMBER

Stephen Anderson – Merrill Manufacturing Co.

Scott Burroughs – Mather Pump Service

Gerry Duggan – Flexcon Industries

Fred Fann – A. O. Smith Water Systems

Chris Herron – Xylem, Inc.

Julie Storey – Boshart Industries

Michael Wesdell – Baker Water Systems

## WSC TEAM

Margaret Martens, Executive Director

Charlene Bean, wellcare® Program Supervisor

Jeff More, Government Affairs

Erin Coffman, Member Services Director

Skylar Haas, wellcare® Program Assistant

Jesse Richardson, Legal Advisor



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**or call Erin Coffman at 304-830-0674 (cell)**



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