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1. **History and purpose.** The 1967 legislative assembly passed milk stabilization legislation which is codified as North Dakota Century Code chapter 4.1-26. This chapter requires the governor to appoint a milk marketing board. The purpose of the chapter is to protect and promote the public welfare and to eliminate unfair and demoralizing trade practices in the milk industry.
2. **Board membership.** The board consists of five members appointed by the governor. One member is a dairy farmer, one member is a processor, one member is a retailer, and two members are consumers and are not otherwise engaged in the milk business. Board members serve five-year terms, with one term expiring each year. The board chooses one of its members as a chairman who holds office for one year. Three members of the board constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.
3. **Director.** The director is the chief executive officer of the board and is the legal custodian of all papers, records, and property. The director is responsible for the administration of the board's activities and also serves as financial officer of the board. The director is authorized to accept and receive all money paid to the board.
4. **Funds and expenditures.** To obtain funds for administration of the chapter, the board levies an assessment upon all licensed processors on milk or milk equivalents used for the manufacture of milk products and frozen dairy products sold in North Dakota. All such assessments are deposited by the board in the state treasury in a special revolving fund known as the "milk marketing fund". All expenditures under the chapter are paid out of the milk marketing fund. All money in the milk marketing fund is appropriated on a continuing basis to the board for carrying out the purposes of the chapter.
5. **Board office and hours.** The office of the North Dakota milk marketing board is in Bismarck, North Dakota, and is open on each business day from eight a.m. until twelve noon and one p.m. to five p.m.
6. **Communications.** All communications with the board may be addressed to the director:

Director
North Dakota Milk Marketing Board
410 East Thayer Avenue, No. 2
Bismarck, ND 58501-4049
701-328-9588

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