



Past Chairs & Life Honorary Directors

The Association of Equipment Manufacturers is the consolidation of the Construction Industry Manufacturers Association (CIMA) and Equipment Manufacturers Institute (EMI) effective January 1, 2002. Listed below are past Chairs of AEM, CIMA and EMI, as well as CIMA and EMI predecessor organizations. All past Chairs are designated as AEM Life Honorary Directors.

CIMA Predecessor Organizations

- 1947-1948 Construction Industries Association/Manufacturers Division of American Road Builders Association (CIA)
- 1927-1946 Highway Industries Association/Manufacturers Division of American Road Builders Association (HIA)
- 1925-1926 Highway Industries Association (HIA)
- 1921-1924 Highway Industries Exhibitors Association (HIEA)
- 1911-1923 National Association of Road Material and Machinery Manufacturers (NARMMM)

EMI Predecessor Organizations

- 1965-1989 Farm and Industrial Equipment Institute (FIEI)
- 1935-1964 Farm Equipment Institute (FEI)
- 1921-1934 National Association of Farm Equipment Manufacturers (NAFEM)
- 1911-1920 National Implement and Vehicle Association (NIVA)
- 1894-1910 National Association of Agricultural Implement & Vehicle Manufacturers (NAAIVM)

AEM Chair Timeline

Assn	Year	Position	First Name	Last Name	Company
AEM	2025	Chair	Linda	Hasenfratz	Linamar Corporation
AEM	2024	Chair	Todd	Stucke	Kubota North America Corp.
AEM	2023	Chair	Rod	Schrader	Komatsu America Corp.
AEM	2022	Chair	Robert	Crain	AGCO Corporation
AEM	2021	Chair	Steven W	Berglund	Trimble Inc.
AEM	2020	Chair	Jeffrey	Reed	Reed International/VSS Macropaver
AEM	2019	Chair	John D	Lagemann	Deere & Company
AEM	2018	Chair	Richard M	Goldsbury	Doosan Bobcat Inc.
AEM	2017	Chair	Michael A	Haberman	Gradall Industries, Inc.
AEM	2016	Chair	Leif J	Magnusson	CLAAS Global Sales Americas Inc
AEM	2015	Chair	John	Patterson	JCB
AEM	2014	Chair	Richard A	Patek	Astec Industries Inc
AEM	2013	Chair	Stuart L	Levenick	Caterpillar Inc.
AEM	2012	Chair	Russell A	Fowler	Krone NA Inc.
AEM	2011	Chair	James E	McCullough	CNH
AEM	2010	Chairman	Chuck	Martz	Link-Belt Construction Equip Co
AEM	2009	Chairman	Martin	Richenhagen	AGCO Corp
AEM	2008	Chairman	Glen E	Tellock	Manitowoc Co Inc
AEM	2007	Chairman	Dennis E	Eagan	Blount Inc
AEM	2006	Chairman	Gerald L	Shaheen	Caterpillar Inc



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AEM	2004-2005	Chairman	Charles R	Stamp Jr	Deere & Company
AEM	2003-2004	Chairman	Ronald M	DeFeo	TEREX Corp
AEM	11/02-1/03	Chairman	David O	Woods	Charles Machine Works Inc
AEM	2002	Co-Chairman	Gary A	MacDonald	MacDon Industries Ltd
AEM	2002	Co-Chairman	Gerard V	Geraghty	IR Company
CIMA	2001	Chairman	Robert J	Fien	Stone Cnstrn Equip Inc
CIMA	2000	Chairman	W A (Lex)	Taylor III	Taylor Machine Works Inc
CIMA	1999	Chairman	David S	Williams	Gradall Co
CIMA	1998	Chairman	Ronald M	DeFeo	TEREX Corp
CIMA	1997	Chairman	Dwight F	Messinger	Power Curbers Inc
CIMA	1996	Chairman	Robert G	Harvell	Link-Belt Cnstrn Equip Co
CIMA	1995	Chairman	Mark A	Levett	Cummins Engine Co Inc
CIMA	1994	Chairman	Daniel E	Kletter	Ingersoll-Rand Co
CIMA	1993	Chairman	John M	Panettiere	Blount Inc/Forestry Equip Div
CIMA	1992	Chairman	David H	Abbott	Etnyre International
CIMA	1991	Chairman	James H	Stollenwerk	Rexworks Inc
CIMA	1990	Chairman	Ronald W	Dunmire	Cedarapids Inc
CIMA	1989	Chairman	E J (Mike)	Elliott	Gencor Industries Inc
CIMA	1988	Chairman	John G	Myers	Sundstrand-Sauer
CIMA	1987	Chairman	Donald E	Adams	Dresser Industries Cnstrn & Mining Equip
CIMA	1986	President	William F	Rebone	Rockwell Intl Off-Hwy Prdts & Driveline Div
CIMA	1985	President	William G	Mulligan	Ingersoll-Rand Co
CIMA	1984	President	Walter E (Ned)	Putz	Barber-Greene Co
CIMA	1983	President	Ralph E	Keidel	Euclid Inc of Daimler-Benz
CIMA	1982	President	Gary L	Godbersen	GOMACO Corp
CIMA	1981	President	James C	Gorman	Gorman-Rupp Co
CIMA	1980	President	Marion C	Dietrich	Cummins Engine Co Inc
CIMA	1979	President	Robert D	Strawser	Hyster Co Cnstrn Equip Div
CIMA	1978	President	William B	Eline	Terex Div General Motors Corp
CIMA	1977	President	Dale S	Gronsdahl	Caterpillar Tractor Co
CIMA	1976	President	James C	Huntington Jr	Clark Equip Co
CIMA	1975	President	Robert J	Gerstenberger	Deere & Company
CIMA	1974	President	Jules C	Laegeler	International Harvester Co
CIMA	1973	President	Don L	Douglass	Massey-Ferguson Inc
CIMA	1972	President	Richard D	Messinger	Power Curbers Inc
CIMA	1971	President	James A	Nelson	E D Etnyre & Co
CIMA	1970	President	Morris W	Reid	J I Case Co
CIMA	1969	President	Vic	Emery	Aeroquip Corp
CIMA	1968	President	Edward H	Holt	Barber-Greene Co
CIMA	1967	President	Kenneth P	Kerr	Butler Bin Co
CIMA	1966	President	Cal M	Basile	Link-Belt Speeder Co
CIMA	1965	President	Buel M	Wallis	Koehring Co
CIMA	1964	President	C C	Gibson	Goodyear Tire & Rubber Co



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CIMA	1963	President	R B	Bradley	International Harvester Co
CIMA	1962	President	W K	Cox	Caterpillar Tractor Co
CIMA	1961	President	Arthur J	Lichtinger	Wellman Engineering Co
CIMA	1960	President	Donald V	Buttenheim	Buttenheim Publishing Corp
CIMA	1959	President	Gerard A	Gilbertson	Frank G Hough Co
CIMA	1958	President	Boyd S	Oberlink	Allis-Chalmers Mfg Co
CIMA	1957	President	Clarence E	Killebrew	Clark Equip Co
CIMA	1955-1956	President	Kenneth	Lindsay	Iowa Mfg Co
CIMA	1954	President	Frederick	Salditt	Harnischfeger Corp
CIMA	1953	President	Harald T	Reishus	International Harvester Co
CIMA	1951-1952	President	Julien R	Steelman	Koehring Co
CIMA	1949-1950	President	Ralph K	Stiles	Austin-Western Co
CIA	1947-1948	President	William B	Greene	Barber-Greene Co
HIA	1946	President	J T	Callaway	Goodyear Tire and Rubber Co
HIA	1945	President	Paul B	Cochran	<i>unknown</i>
HIA	1942-1944			<i>unknown</i>	
HIA	1937-1941	President	William M	Parrish	International Harvester Co of America
HIA	1936	President	Chauncey B	Smythe	Thew Shovel Co
HIA	1931-1935	President	Willard T	Chevalier	McGraw-Hill Publishing Co
HIA	1929-1930	President	Paul L	Griffiths	American Tar Products Co
HIA	1927-1928	President	Lion	Gardiner	Lakewood Engineering Co
HIA	1925-1926	President	C R	Ege	Portland Cement Association
HIEA	1924	President	S F	Beatty	Austin-Western Road Machinery Co
HIEA	1921-1923			<i>unknown</i>	
NARMMM	1911-1923			<i>unknown</i>	
EMI	2001	Chairman	Robert L	Vermeer	Vermeer Mfg Co
EMI	2000	Chairman	Richard M	Christman	CNH Global NV
EMI	1999	Chairman	Arlie	Tucker	Komatsu Mining Systems
EMI	1998	Chairman	William D	Gehl	Gehl Co
EMI	1996-1997	Chairman	Barry L	Phillips	Gradall Co
EMI	1995	Chairman	Nicholas C	Babson	Babson Brothers Co
EMI	1994	Chairman	Donald V	Fites	Caterpillar Inc
EMI	1993	Chairman	David H	Stowe Jr	Deere & Company
EMI	1992	Chairman	Ron H	Lytle	Kubota Tractor Corp
EMI	1991	Chairman	Roger K	Eve	JCB Inc
EMI	1990	Chairman	Phil F	Jenkins	Sweepster Inc
FIEI	1989	Chairman	John M	Tye	Tye Co
FIEI	1988	Chairman	Robert N	Spolum	Melroe Co
FIEI	1987	Chairman	Jerome K	Green	J I Case Co
FIEI	1986	Chairman	Robert	Lanphier III	DICKEY-john Corp
FIEI	1985	Chairman	Howard L	Brenneman	Hesston Corp
FIEI	1984	Chairman	Mervyn H	Manning	Ford Tractor Operations Ford Motor Co
FIEI	1983	Chairman	Edwin	Malzahn	Charles Machine Works Inc



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FIEI	1982	Chairman	Robert A	Hanson	Deere & Company
FIEI	1981	Chairman	John T	Phillips Jr	Lilliston Corp
FIEI	1980	Chairman	Roy W	Uelner	Allis-Chalmers Corp
FIEI	1979	Chairman	Robert W	Engle	AVCO New Idea Farm Equip
FIEI	1978	President	William J	Jensen	Butler Mfg Co
FIEI	1977	President	Brooks	McCormick	International Harvester Co
FIEI	1976	President	Robert H	Rawson	Empire Plow Co
FIEI	1975	President	Morris W	Reid	J I Case Co
FIEI	1974	President	Robert L	Glidden	Kewanee Machinery & Conveyor Co
FIEI	1973	President	John G	Staiger	Massey-Ferguson Ltd
FIEI	1972	President	L Emery	Dearborn	Ford Tractor Operations/Ford Motor Co
FIEI	1971	President	Lyle E	Yost	Hesston Corp
FIEI	1970	President	Curry W	Stoup	AVCO New Idea Farm Equip
FIEI	1969	President	Samuel W	White Jr	White Motor Corp Farm Grp
FIEI	1968	President	Henry	Danuser	Danuser Machine Co
FIEI	1967	President	William A	Hewitt	Deere & Company
FIEI	1966	President	George C	Delp	New Holland Machine Co
FIEI	1965	President	James H	Wilson	Athens Plow Co
FEI	1964	President	Merritt D	Hill	J I Case Co
FEI	1963	President	Albert A	Thornbrough	Massey-Ferguson Ltd
FEI	1962	President	Willis G	Scholl	Allis-Chalmers Mfg Co
FEI	1961	President	Hubert L	Byrd	FMC Corp John Bean Div
FEI	1960	President	C L	Oheim	Deere & Company
FEI	1959	President	George A	Kelly II	G A Kelly Plow Co
FEI	1958	President	R S	Stevenson	Allis-Chalmers Mfg Co
FEI	1957	President	Paul E	Herschel Jr	R Herschel Mfg Co
FEI	1956	President	Frank H	Hamlin	Papec Machine Co
FEI	1955	President	Bruce	Lourie	Deere & Company
FEI	1954	President	Alva W	Phelps	Oliver Corp
FEI	1953	President	W J	Fisher	Oliver Corp
FEI	1952	President	H B	Megran	Starline Inc
FEI	1951	President	John L	McCaffrey	International Harvester Co
FEI	1950	President	Theodore	Johnson	J I Case Co
FEI	1949	President	P H	Noland	B F Avery & Sons Co
FEI	1948	President	J H	Oppenheim	New Idea Div AVCO Mfg Co
FEI	1947	President	W A	Roberts	Allis-Chalmers Mfg Co
FEI	1946	President	Henry S	Lord	French & Hecht Inc
FEI	1945	President	George L	Gillette	Minneapolis-Moline Power Implement Co
FEI	1944	President	C B	Schmidt	DeLaval Separator Co
FEI	1943	President	Frank	Silloway	Deere & Company
FEI	1942	President	William H	Roberts Jr	S L Allen & Co
FEI	1941	President	Harry L	Dempster	Dempster Mill Mfg Co
FEI	1940	President	W L	Clark	J I Case Co



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FEI	1939	President	Charles T	Ray	B F Avery & Sons
FEI	1938	President	H C	Merritt	Allis-Chalmers Mfg Co
FEI	1937	President	C R	Messinger	Oliver Farm Equip Co
FEI	1936	President	W C	MacFarlane	Minneapolis-Moline Power Implement Co
FEI	1935	President	W King	White	Cleveland Tractor Co
NAFEM	1934	President	George	White	Massey-Harris Co Ltd
NAFEM	1933	President	Charles Deere	Wiman	Deere & Company
NAFEM	1932	President	Daniel	Seltzer	Ohio Cultivator Co
NAFEM	1931	President	H G	Newcomer	Eureka Mower Co
NAFEM	1930	President	A E	McKinstry	International Harvester Co
NAFEM	1929	President	John C	Myers	F E Myers & Brothers Co
NAFEM	1928	President	A T	Jackson	Emerson-Brantingham
NAFEM	1927	President	R W E	Hayes	Hayes Pump & Planter Co
NAFEM	1926	President	E J	Gittins	J I Case Threshing Machine Co
NAFEM	1925	President	Finley P	Mount	Advance-Rumely Co
NAFEM	1924	President	H J	Hirshheimer	La Crosse Plow Co
NAFEM	1923	President	J B	Bartholomew	Avery Co
NAFEM	1922	President	William	Black	B F Avery & Sons
NAFEM	1921	President	W H	Stackhouse	French & Hecht Co
NIVA	1920	President	H M	Wallis	J I Case Plow Works
NIVA	1919	President	G A	Ranney	International Harvester Co
NIVA	1918	President	C S	Brantingham	Emerson-Brantingham Co
NIVA	1917	President	Joseph	Dain	Dain Mfg Co
NIVA	1916	President	A J	Brosseau	Gale Mfg Co
NIVA	1915	President	S E	Swayne	Robinson & Co
NIVA	1914	President	J A	Craig	Janesville Machine Co
NIVA	1913	President	William	Butterworth	Deere & Company
NIVA	1912	President	Frank C	Johnson	American Seeding-Machine Co
NIVA	1911	President	E D	Metcalfe	D M Osborne & Co
NAAIVM	1910	President	H M	Kinney	Winona Wagon Co
NAAIVM	1909	President	W B	Brinton	Grand Detour Plow Co
NAAIVM	1908	President	Newell	Sanders	Newell Sanders Plow Co
NAAIVM	1907	President	H E	Miles	Racine-Sattley Co
NAAIVM	1906	President	C F	Huhlein	B F Avery & Sons
NAAIVM	1905	President	W W	Collier	American Harrow Co
NAAIVM	1904	President	F E	Myers	F E Myers & Brother Co
NAAIVM	1903	President	Martin	Kingman	Kingman Plow Co
NAAIVM	1902	President	W S	Thomas	Thomas Mfg Co
NAAIVM	1901	President	James A	Carr	Hoosier Drill Co
NAAIVM	1900	President	W C	Nones	Kentucky Wagon Mfg Co
NAAIVM	1899	President	John W	Stoddard	Kentucky Wagon Mfg Co
NAAIVM	1898	President	W H	Parlin	Parlin & Orendorff
NAAIVM	1897	President	John A	Johnson	Fuller & Johnson Mfg Co



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NAAIVM	1896	President	H C	Staver	Staver Carriage Co
NAAIVM	1894-1895	President	Col A L	Conger	Whitman & Barnes Mfg Co

Other Life Honorary Directors

CIMA/AEM President 1998-2021	Dennis J	Slater Jr	President	CIMA/AEM	Milwaukee WI
FIEI/EMI/AEM President 1973-2002	Emmett	Barker	President	FIEI/EMI/AEM	Chicago IL
CIMA Legal Counsel 1957-1986	Richard F	Hahn	Attorney	Halfpenny Hahn & Ryan	Chicago IL
CIMA Board Member 1940s-1950s	Howard R	Meeker	President	J D Adams Mfg Co	Indianapolis IN
CIMA Dir of Govt Affairs 1983-1998	J William	Peterson	Dir of Govt Affairs	CIMA	Milwaukee WI
FIEI/EMI/AEM Board Member 1989-2009	Robert J	Ratliff	Chairman	Deutz Allis/AGCO	Duluth GA
CIMA Board Member 1970s-1990s	Robert H	Ross	President	Ross Co	Brownwood TX
CIMA Board Member 1960s-1980s	James H	Tiller Jr	Sales Mgr	Galion Iron Works	Galion OH

AEM Chief Staff Executives

AEM	2021-Present	President	Megan	Tanel
AEM	2003-2021	President	Dennis J	Slater Jr
AEM	2002	Co-President	Emmett	Barker
AEM	2002	Co-President	Dennis J	Slater Jr
CIMA	1998-2001	President	Dennis J	Slater Jr
CIMA	1995-1998	President	James H	Stollenwerk
CIMA	1983-1994	Executive Vice President/President	Fred J	Broad
CIMA	1966-1983	Executive Director/Executive Vice President	John J	Benson
CIMA	1956-1965	Executive Vice President/Executive Director	Robert P	McKenrick Jr
CIMA	1949-1956	Executive Vice President	Harold F	Hess
FIEI/EMI	1973-2001	President	Emmett	Barker
FEI/FIEI	1958-1973	Executive Secretary	Douglas	Hewitt Jr
FEI	1934-1958	Executive Secretary	Robert A	Jones
NAFEM	1920-1933	Secretary	H J	Sameit
NIVA	1911-1919	Secretary & General Manager	E W	McCullough
NAAIVM	1909-1910	Secretary	W J	Evans
NAAIVM	1908-1909	Secretary	J T	Morrison
NAAIVM	1907-1908	Secretary	Fred M	Loomis
NAAIVM	1906-1907	Secretary	J A	Sandford
NAAIVM	1900-1905	Secretary	Frank E	Lukens
NAAIVM	1898-1900	Secretary	George D	Sparks
NAAIVM	1894-1898	Secretary	O D	Frary