

Beth Ford

Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer, Land O'Lakes Businesses

Beth Ford is the executive vice president and chief operating officer for Land O'Lakes, Inc. She is responsible for the Purina Animal Nutrition, U.S. Dairy Foods and WinField United businesses, which reported 2017 net sales totaling \$14 billion. In addition, Beth has overall responsibility for e-commerce, supply chain, operations and information technology.

In her 31 years of experience as a global operator, Beth has held senior and line leadership positions in seven companies across six industries, including Energy (Mobil Oil), Consumer Packaged Goods (Pepsi/Pepsi Bottling Group), QSR (Perseco), Publishing (Scholastic and Hachette), Chemicals (International Flavors and Fragrances) and now Food Production and Agribusiness.

A native of Sioux City, Iowa, Beth earned an MBA from Columbia University Business School and a BBA from Iowa State University. She remains involved in both universities, sitting on the Deming Center Board of Advisors for Columbia Business School and the Dean's Advisory Committee for the College of Business at Iowa State. Beth also sits on the Board of Directors for the National Milk Producers Federation and non-profit boards, including Greater Twin Cities United Way in Minneapolis.

Additionally, Beth is Chair of the Board of Directors for Clearwater Paper, Inc., and sits on the board of PACCAR, Inc. both publicly traded companies which have been recognized in the Fortune 1000 and 150 lists, respectively.

Education

BBA, Iowa State University

MBA, Columbia Business School

Experience

International Flavors and Fragrances (IFF)

Hachette

Scholastic Corporation

PepsiCo/Pepsi Bottling Group

Perseco

Mobil Oil

Corporate boards

Board of directors, PACCAR

Board of directors, Clearwater Paper, Inc.

Industry leadership

Executive Advisory Board, SCM World

Board of directors, National Milk Producers Federation (NMPF)

Community leadership

Board of directors, Greater Twin Cities United Way

Advisory board, W. Edwards Deming Center for Quality, Productivity and Competitiveness at Columbia Business School

Dean's Advisory Council, College of Business at Iowa State University

Chair, Twin Cities Go Red for Women