

CAO ANNUAL MEETING – AGENDA

January 12, 2024

Embassy Suites – Syracuse Destiny
311 Hiawatha Boulevard West
Syracuse, New York

Location – Pre-Function II

8:00 am Registration & Coffee

Location – Liberty II

9:00 Greetings/ Introductions – *Sam Filler, Chair*

9:15 Governor's Agricultural Priorities for 2024
Commissioner of Agriculture – Richard Ball

9:40 Cornell University College of Agriculture and Life Sciences Update and Discussion
Dean Benjamin Houlton, Ph.D.

10:00 Legislator Introductions and Remarks
NYS Assembly Agriculture Committee Chair – *Assemblywoman Donna Lupardo*
NYS Senate Agriculture Committee Chair – *Senator Michelle Hinchey*
NYS Commission on Rural Resources Chair – *Senator Rachel May*

10:45 Resolutions Review - *Tom Cosgrove*

Location – Liberty III & IV

12:00 Noon Lunch

Location – Liberty II

1:00 pm Resolutions Review Continues – *Tom Cosgrove*

CAO Lobby Day – *Sam Filler, Chair*

- Date/Format TBD
- Proposed Priority Issues for 2024

3:30 Business Meeting

1. Call to Order and Comments – *Sam Filler, Chair*
2. Minutes of the 2023 Annual Meeting – *Brian Reeves, Secretary*
3. Financial Statement for 2023 & 2024 Budget – *Michael Maffei, Treasurer*
 - Membership Report
4. Board Nominations – *Rick Zimmerman*
5. Other Business

4:00 Adjourn Meeting

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