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North Central Electric Trustee nomination petitions are now available

In 2023 North Central Electric Cooperative will elect three members to the Board of Trustees to serve three-year terms. North Central members will elect trustees using a mail or electronic ballot if there is a contested election. Nominating petitions for members residing in District 1, 2, and 3 will be available during regular business hours (8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.) starting Monday, Jan. 9, at the cooperative's office trailer in the parking lot of NCE in Attica. Candidates must collect at least 25 signatures from cooperative members residing in their district and return the petition by 4:30 p.m. on Monday, Feb. 13. The boundaries of the three districts up for election are:

District 1

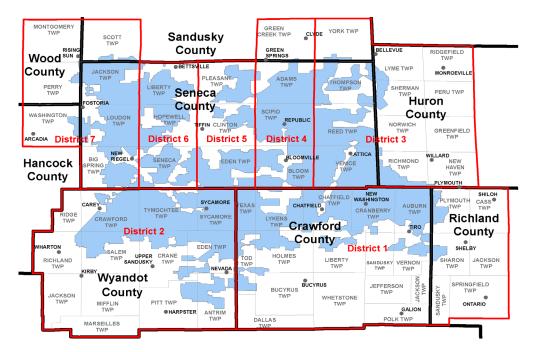
All members residing in Crawford County and Richland County. Currently, Kevin Bishop represents District 1 and his term expires in June.

District 2

All members residing in Wyandot County. Dennis Schindler represents District 2 and his term expires in June.

District 3

All members residing in Lyme, New Haven, Norwich, Richmond and Sherman townships in Huron County; York Township in Sandusky County; and Reed, Thompson, and Venice townships in Seneca County. Nick Wagner represents District 3 and his term expires in June.



Elected board members will be announced at the cooperative's annual meeting in June. For more information on how to run for the board and the election process, contact the NCE office at 800-426-3072 or visit www.ncelec.org.

Per Article IV, Section 4.02 of the Cooperative's Code of Regulations, the qualifications for serving as a North Central Electric Trustee are:

- 1. The person must be a North Central Electric member and receiving service from the cooperative at their primary residential abode within the particular district they represent.
- 2. A "member" includes the spouse of the person in whose name the membership is recorded. Either, but not both, may be elected or appointed as an officer or Board member, provided that both meet the qualifications for such office.
- Neither the person, nor his or her spouse, may in any way be employed by or financially interested in a competing enterprise, or a business selling electric energy or supplies to the cooperative, or a business primarily engaged in selling electrical or plumbing appliances, fixtures or supplies to the members.
- 4. Neither the person nor his or her spouse may currently be nor previously have been an employee of the cooperative or any of its subsidiaries for five (5) years prior to being elected to the Board of Trustees. In addition, they cannot be a close relative of an incumbent trustee or of an employee of the cooperative.
- The person must be at least 18-years-old and have received electric service from the cooperative for at least one (1) year prior to being elected to the Board of Trustees.

According to the Cooperative's Code of Regulations, any member residing in the district may seek election to the Board of Trustees. If more than two members are nominated for the position of trustee, a district-wide election will be conducted by mail and/ or electronic ballot. The two candidates receiving the highest number of votes shall be declared the official candidates. No more than two candidates can appear on the annual meeting ballot. The district trustee candidates seeking election to the Board of Trustees will be chosen by the entire membership through an election conducted by mail and/or electronic ballot. If all three district trustee elections have unopposed candidates, the code of regulations states the cooperative does not have to go to the expense of conducting an election and the candidates would be considered elected without a formal election. The winners will be announced at the annual meeting June 13, 2023.

Petitions can be picked up at the co-op office in Attica between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. The candidate packet, including petitions, can be mailed to prospective candidates, if necessary. Please see the code of regulations available on our website for the complete rules and requirements for running for the board.

For a copy of North Central's Code of Regulations, outlining the election process, please visit **www.ncelec.org** under the "About Us" tab (Membership Documents and Forms) or call **419-426-3072**, **1-800-426-3072**, or e-mail nce@fesco-oh.org.

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