

Vote 2022

DISTRICT 7 TRUSTEE RUN-OFF ELECTION

The North Central Electric Cooperative service territory is divided into seven districts and is governed by a nine-member board. Each year, the cooperative accepts nominations for election to three seats on the board of trustees. District candidates must submit nominating petitions bearing at least 25 signatures of members residing in their district to qualify for the election. When one district receives more than two valid petitions during an election cycle, the cooperative must hold a run-off election within the contested district to narrow the field to two candidates before the all-member election held in May, per North Central's Code of Regulations.

This year, three candidates submitted valid petitions for District 7 on the North Central board of trustees. **Members within this district are asked to cast a ballot for one of the three candidates seeking election this year. The two candidates receiving the most votes will move on to the all-member election in May.**

Members elect trustees using a mail-in or online ballot. The District 7 run-off election results will be listed in the May 2022 edition of Ohio Cooperative Living magazine. Following are the biographical summaries in alphabetical order by last name of all three 2022 candidates for District 7 on the board of trustees.

ALL VOTES MUST BE RECEIVED, EITHER BY MAIL OR ONLINE, BY 4:30 P.M. ON MARCH 18, 2022.

VOTING INFORMATION

- ★ The most cost-effective method to cast a ballot is online at the cooperative's website, www.ncelec.org.
- ★ Vote for only one candidate in District 7.
- ★ **Voting is open only to North Central Electric members currently residing in District 7.**
- ★ Videos for each candidate are also available on the cooperative's website at www.ncelec.org. Those voting online will also have access to the videos on the voting site.
- ★ All ballots must be received by 4:30 p.m. on Friday, March 18. Online voting will close at this time.



Questions, comments, or concerns, please contact the communications department at 419-426-3072, or by email at nce@fesco-oh.org.

Turn this sheet over for candidate information.

Candidate Bios are listed in alphabetical order by last name.



Andrew Brose, 32, of Loudon Township in Seneca County, has been a cooperative member for 7 years. He and his wife, Danielle, have two daughters. Brose is an 11-year member of the Tiffin Fire and Rescue Division, and previously volunteered as a firefighter and EMT in Seneca County. He currently assists with Tiffin Firefighter's Local 322 annual toy project and sportsman's raffle, and has previously served as an assistant football coach and little league coach with Seneca County Baseball Little League.

WHAT ARE YOUR TOP THREE REASONS FOR BEING INTERESTED IN BECOMING A TRUSTEE?

"I am very community-minded and enjoy helping to improve people's quality of life. Listening to others along with a strong willingness to take on responsibilities are other reasons. The cooperative does an outstanding job serving its members, and I would love to be a part of that."

IF ELECTED, WHAT ARE THREE GOALS YOU WOULD LIKE TO SEE ACHIEVED AS A NORTH CENTRAL ELECTRIC TRUSTEE?

"Gain as much knowledge and education from the co-op and other trustees as soon as possible enabling me to fulfill my responsibilities and duties as a trustee. Secondly, I will uphold the principles that the cooperative was built on and continue to help move it forward in unity. Finally, I hope to retain and add additional programs and incentives collectively for all members to provide the highest quality service possible."



Melissa (Lisa) Guzman, 53, of Jackson Township in Seneca County, has been a cooperative member for 16 years. She is the owner of Guzman Insurance Agency and has two children with her husband, Jeff. She has previously held the position of secretary with the SW Student Advisory Council, and served in the president and vice-president roles for the Mohawk Club Athletic Boosters.

WHAT ARE YOUR TOP THREE REASONS FOR BEING INTERESTED IN BECOMING A TRUSTEE?

"I would very much like to contribute to my local community through my participation on the North Central Electric board of trustees. I would enjoy representing my district and its interests, and would also enjoy being part of the solution to keep the assets of North Central in top condition and affordable for everyone."

IF ELECTED, WHAT ARE THREE GOALS YOU WOULD LIKE TO SEE ACHIEVED AS A NORTH CENTRAL TRUSTEE?

"I would strive to be available for the members of my district when they had questions or issues. I would also like to increase my knowledge about the cooperative and increase awareness about the many benefits offered to the members."



Kevin Kreais, 50, of Loudon Township in Seneca County, has been a cooperative member for 11 years and has worked for Cooper Tire for the past 25 years. He and his wife, Kimberly, have three children. Kreais currently serves on the Hopewell-Loudon School Board, and has also been active with the Sons of the American Legion and St. Wendelin Parish for several years. In the past, he has also volunteered with the Knights of Columbus.

WHAT ARE YOUR TOP THREE REASONS FOR BEING INTERESTED IN BECOMING A TRUSTEE?

"I am interested in learning more about how North Central currently operates, along with the future development activities and the impact it will have within the community. I am also eager to continue the support of youth activities that promote leadership opportunities, such as the Youth Tour to Washington, D.C.

I would also like to promote the strategic objectives of the cooperative with effective solutions by learning about the electric industry, training, and understanding regulations."

IF ELECTED, WHAT ARE THREE GOALS YOU WOULD LIKE TO SEE ACHIEVED AS A NORTH CENTRAL TRUSTEE?

"If elected, the three goals I would like to see as a North Central trustee include the use of renewable energy options and how we look to incorporate those systems into the future vision of the cooperative, to maintain and train adequate staffing for reliable energy transmission to members considering current labor shortages in the workforce, and to continue to promote youth activities and show where and how those individuals are becoming active leaders with involvement in community organizations or volunteer activities."