

November 18, 2022

RE: BOARD OF TRUSTEE CANDIDATES SOUGHT

Dear Cooperative Member-owner:

Are you interested in running for your cooperative's Board of Trustees? There are three (3) three-year seats up for election in 2023 on the North Western Electric Cooperative Board of Trustees. If you are an eligible candidate and can commit the time and energy to your cooperative, then you may want to consider this opportunity.

The process to be placed on the 2023 Official Ballot as described in ARTICLE IV, Section 4 of the North Western Electric Cooperative Code of Regulations requires eligible member-owners who are interested in becoming a trustee to complete and submit a petition. This letter is being mailed to all the member-owners in the districts up for election in 2023 and shall serve as notification of a request for petitions in those districts.

The three districts to be voted on at the 2023 Annual Meeting are **District 4** comprised of Brady, Center, Jefferson, and Pulaski townships in Williams County; **District 5** comprised of Farmer and Mark townships in Defiance County and Crane Township in Paulding County; and **District 6** comprised of Adams and Tiffin townships in Defiance County, Ridgeville Township in Henry County and Springfield Township in Williams County. The incumbents in each of these districts has chosen to remain a candidate and will automatically be placed on the ballot. The incumbents are: Chris Oberlin, for District 4; Ryan Wehri, for District 5; and Jordan Ruffer, for District 6.

If you are interested in becoming a Board of Trustees' candidate, obtain a list of qualifications and a petition packet by contacting our office or visiting our website, <u>www.nwec.com</u>. To be considered as a candidate, you will be required to gather at least twenty (20) signatures of current member-owners who reside in your district.

The completed petition forms must be returned to the cooperative office no later than **4 p.m. on Friday**, **January 13, 2023**. All petitions will be verified and only those nominees meeting the qualifications will be placed on the ballot for the 2023 election.

Please consider being part of your cooperative's governing body. For additional information you may contact the cooperative at 1-800-647-6932.

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Mitch Headley, Secretary North Western Electric Cooperative Board of Trustees