



APPLICATION FOR DIRECTOR

This application must be completed, signed and returned to the Secretary in order for you to be nominated as Stearns Electric Association Board of Directors candidate. Some of this information may be used in your candidate profile that will be mailed to the members in your district and published on our website.

CONTACT INFORMATION

Name: _____

Cell Phone: _____ Home Phone: _____ Work Phone: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

E-mail: _____

Township/Section: _____ District Number: _____ Account Number: _____

QUALIFICATIONS

Briefly summarize your employment experience:

What education have you received?

What knowledge, expertise or special abilities would you bring to the Board? (e.g., experience in business/management, finance, accounting, nonprofit, outreach/advocacy, utilities)

Do you have any connections (i.e., family relationships, business agreements) to the Cooperative that might possibly be seen as a conflict of interest? If yes, explain.

Are you in good credit standing with Stearns Electric? ☐ YES ☐ NO

Is your primary residence located within the district for which you are running? ☐ YES ☐ NO

Have you been convicted of, or plead guilty to, a felony in the last five years? ☐ YES ☐ NO

Assuming you become a Stearns Electric Board member, how difficult will it be for you to find time for:

	DIFFICULT	SOMEWHAT DIFFICULT	NOT DIFFICULT
<i>Monthly, all-day Board meetings, normally the Thursday of the last full week of the month?</i>			
<i>Two and three-day seminars in the Twin Cities area with at least one month's notice?</i>			
<i>Two and three-day seminars or meetings anywhere in the U.S. with at least one month's notice and usually several month's notice.</i>			
<i>Board committee meetings, usually one-half day or less, with one or two week's notice?</i>			

COOPERATIVE EXPERIENCE

How long have you been a member of Stearns Electric? _____

How would you describe your involvement with Stearns Electric?
(Number of Annual Meetings attended, Member Resource Committee/Member Engagement Group, Coal Creek Tour, etc.)

Stearns Electric offers a variety of programs and services to its members.
Which, if any, of them do you participate in and why? If not, why?

Have you read the Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws and do you understand them? ☐ YES ☐ NO

Do you have any conflict with the Bylaws? ☐ YES ☐ NO

If yes, explain? _____

Have you ever been a candidate in the Stearns Electric Board of Directors election before? ☐ YES ☐ NO

If yes, when? _____

Have you ever served as a Stearns Electric Director before? ☐ YES ☐ NO

If yes, when? _____

Aside from your membership in Stearns Electric, what other cooperative memberships have you had and when?

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

How would you describe your personal involvement in the community?

Do you have any previous experience on other boards or committees in the community such as school boards, hospitals, churches, local government, etc.? If so, please list your experience below.

ORGANIZATION	YEARS SERVED <small>(ex. 2002-2015)</small>	YOUR CAPACITY

Are you comfortable speaking up for the Cooperative in the community? ☐ YES ☐ NO

The electric utility industry is heavily regulated. What is your view about participating in the political process on behalf of the Cooperative if needed?

COOPERATIVE OPINIONS

What are some of the important issues that you believe the Stearns Electric Board needs to be focused on in the next few years?

What do you think the long-term goals of the Cooperative should be?

What do you think Stearns Electric does well?

What do you think Stearns Electric can improve?

What, if any, Cooperative services or programs do you believe should be revised and in what manner?

What interests you most about serving on the Stearns Electric Board of Directors?

SIGNATURE AND ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

Have you received the following:

- | | | |
|--|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Recent Annual Report | <input type="checkbox"/> Member Handbook | <input type="checkbox"/> Director District Map |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Director Qualifications | <input type="checkbox"/> Cooperative Bylaws | <input type="checkbox"/> Cooperative Articles of Incorporation |

The signature below indicates that you (the candidate) attest to the fact that you are providing full and accurate information to the best of your ability and that you have received and read copies of the Cooperative's Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws, and that you satisfy the qualifications for Director noted within.

Candidate Signature

Date

***Completed applications must be
returned by 4 p.m. on January 25, 2024.***

Applications can be returned by:

EMAIL:

secretary@stearnselectric.org

MAIL:

Secretary
Stearns Electric Association
c/o Dymoke Law Office, PA
PO Box 127
Melrose, MN 56352

What to Expect Next:

- Candidates will receive an email to confirm their application has been received.
- Candidates will receive notification by mail and email in late January regarding acceptance to the ballot.
- Candidates accepted to the ballot are **REQUIRED** to attend a candidate briefing meeting on **Thursday, February 15, 2024 at 2 p.m. at the Melrose Headquarters Office**. Further details and the meeting agenda will be provided at the end of January.