



**Board of Trustees Candidate Packet**  
**For the 2022 Election**

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## Board of Trustees Candidate Packet

### 2022 Nomination by Petition

#### **Instructions**

The material in this packet is for members of 4 Rivers Electric Cooperative, Inc. (4 Rivers) who are interested in running for the Board of Trustees.

- Please read through the qualifications sections and refer the 4 Rivers [Bylaws](#) for more information.
- For those who are bona fide candidates, a membership list for the district is available to the candidate(s) running. If a candidate is interested in the list, refer to [Policy 110 – Disclosure of Cooperative Information](#). It allows for the information with the completion of the request, nondisclosure agreement, and affidavit. The completed forms need to be returned to 4 Rivers at either the Lebo or Fredonia offices.
- A picture and Biographical Information should be completed and emailed to [4RiversElectric@4RiversElectric.com](mailto:4RiversElectric@4RiversElectric.com). Pictures can be emailed, mailed, or hand delivered to 4 Rivers. Biographical Information requirements:
  - Information must be provided to 4 Rivers in an electronic format that can be opened by Microsoft Word.
  - Biographical Information is limited to 500 words. Any excess above 500 words will be truncated.
  - Each candidate is responsible for the content of the submittal. 4 Rivers will not proofread, edit, or otherwise alter any biographical materials, other than truncating materials in excess of 500 words, with the exception of inappropriate language.
  - Biographical Information can be updated until the deadline of 4:00 p.m., December 30, 2021.

#### Checklist:

- Candidate Compliance Affidavit
- Candidate Information Form – Including Biographical Information and Picture
- Petition – Need signatures from at least 20 members in the district (more is recommended)
- Policy 110 – Disclosure of Cooperative Information – Completed Exhibits and Affidavit (if requesting a district membership list)
- Return to 4 Rivers office in Fredonia or Lebo by 4:00 p.m., December 30, 2021.

## **4 Rivers Trustee Qualifications**

Per Article IV, Section 3 of the 4 Rivers Bylaws

To be eligible for election as a director or to remain a trustee, a person must meet the following qualifications:

- Be a Member in good standing with the Cooperative (pursuant to Article I of the [Bylaws](#));
- Be a natural person;
- Be a resident of the district for which election is sought for a minimum of three (3) years and receiving power at that residence. This residence must have been the primary address for at least the last three (3) years;
- Must not be employed or have financial interest in a competing business or business that sells energy, items, materials, or products that can be used to create electric energy, or supplies to the Cooperative, or a business primarily engaged in selling electric or plumbing appliances, fixtures, services, or supplies to the Members of the Cooperative (does not include a Member who installs renewable energy electric generation on his or her own property interconnected with the Cooperative);
- Must not have equipment connected to Cooperative Equipment and have an agreement to sell electricity to the Cooperative;
- Must not be a current employee or have been an employee of the Cooperative within three (3) years or a 'Family Member' as defined as: spouse, father, mother, son, daughter, step-son or daughter, or any lineal descendant of a current employee or an employee within three (3) years;
- Must not be a Family Member (as defined above) of a current Trustee;
- Be willing to devote such time and effort to his or her duties as a Trustee as may be necessary to oversee the Cooperative's business and affairs;
- While a Trustee, act in good faith and represent the best interests of the Cooperative as a whole, representing all members on an impartial basis.

**Candidate Compliance Affidavit**

**4 Rivers Electric Cooperative, Inc. Trustee Candidate Application**

STATE OF KANSAS

COUNTY OF \_\_\_\_\_

**SWORN CERTIFICATION OF COMPLIANCE**

BEFORE ME, the undersigned notary, appeared in person \_\_\_\_\_,  
who, upon oath, stated as follows:

My name is \_\_\_\_\_, I am at least 18 years old, have capacity to execute this certification,  
and have personal knowledge of the facts stated herein,

I certify and attest that I wish to declare myself as a candidate for election to the Board of  
Trustees of 4 Rivers Electric Cooperative, Inc (4 Rivers). To do so, I have requested  
this Candidate Nomination by Petition Materials package, have reviewed it and provided the  
answers and responses required herein. I further attest that:

1. I meet all director qualifications enumerated in the 4 Rivers Bylaws and Policies.
2. I have reviewed 4 Rivers [Policy 105 - Ethics and Fiduciary Duty](#).
3. I will abide by and enforce all 4 Rivers Bylaw and Policy requirements.
4. I will disclose any organizations I represent for the purpose of my candidacy and any funds or promised funds received from those organizations, per Article III, Section 7 of the Bylaws of 4 Rivers.
5. The information I have provided and that is contained in this application is true, correct, and complete to the best of my knowledge.
6. I consent and authorize investigation of all statements contained in this application and any attached materials.
7. I understand that I may be required by 4 Rivers, if such is deemed necessary by the General Manager/CEO or General Counsel, to provide additional documentation within the time frame asked by 4 Rivers, which is usually within 48 hours of request from 4 Rivers General Counsel, and I understand that my failure to timely provide such requested information may result in my Candidate Application's failure to meet the 4 Rivers trustee qualifications.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed Name

Signed and sworn to before me, on this the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2021.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Notary Public, State of Kansas



4 Rivers Electric Cooperative, Inc.  
Board of Trustees, Districts N2, N3, S2  
2022 Nomination by Petition

**Candidate Information Form**

A nominee must maintain primary residence receiving continuous electric service for three (3) years in the 4 Rivers Electric Cooperative, Inc. (4 Rivers) trustee district for which election is sought. To find your district, refer to the maps below, check your 4 Rivers bill, or call 620-364-2116. The Candidate Compliance Affidavit, Petition, and Questionnaire must be returned to the Fredonia or Lebo 4 Rivers office by 4:00 p.m., December 30, 2021.

Board Position (select one)

Trustee, District N2                       Trustee, District N3                       Trustee, District S2

First Name \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name \_\_\_\_\_ MI \_\_\_\_\_

4 Rivers Account # \_\_\_\_\_

Physical Address \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address (if different) \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
                    Day    Evening

\_\_\_\_\_  
Candidate Applicant Signature    Date

Please submit Biographical Information and Photograph which will be shared with the members of 4 Rivers. The Biographical Information needs to be submitted electronically in a format compatible with Microsoft Word. The photograph can be emailed to [4RiversElectric@4RiversElectric.com](mailto:4RiversElectric@4RiversElectric.com) or delivered by hand or mail to a 4 Rivers office. Physical photographs will be returned upon request.



Board of Trustees: Districts N2, N3, S2  
2022 Nomination by Petition

**Required Original Signatures Petition**

(print as many blank pages, of this form, as needed for petition signatures)

Verifiable signatures are required from at least twenty (20) 4 Rivers Electric Cooperative, Inc. (4 Rivers) members who live in or have designated a voting residence with the Board district from which a candidate is seeking election. Candidate Applicants may obtain a list of members within their Board district by requesting the list per Policy 110 and signing the required affidavit.

**INSTRUCTIONS:**

- 1) Provide all information for each signing member. Spouses who have a joint membership will only be verified as one (1) member signature even if both spouses sign the petition. Business memberships (LLC, Inc., etc.) are also verified as one (1) member. A business membership must be signed by the authorized officer or designee.
- 2) Candidate Applicants are encouraged to collect more than the 20 signatures required in the event a membership cannot be verified.
- 3) Signatures for which the printed name is not legible may not be validated.
- 4) All original signatures of the signed petition must be submitted and received by 4 Rivers by 4:00 p.m., December 30, 2021. Submissions may be by U.S. postal service or hand delivered to the Fredonia or Lebo 4 Rivers office.
- 5) Candidate Applicants are encouraged to submit petition signatures well in advance of the deadline to ensure sufficient time for membership verification. Refer to the 4 Rivers Bylaws for more information.

Candidate Applicant's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Board District \_\_\_\_\_

Name (Print) _____ 4 Rivers Billing Address _____ _____ Member/Acct# _____ Signature _____	Name (Print) _____ 4 Rivers Billing Address _____ _____ Member/Acct# _____ Signature _____
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# District Map

