



**Board of Trustees Candidate
Packet For the 2025 Election**

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Instructions for Nomination by Petition

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 the qualifications sections and refer to 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 office by 5:00 p.m., December 30, 2024.
- A candidate photograph and completed biographical information should be submitted for your candidate profile to be shared with 4 Rivers' members. Biographical information needs to be submitted electronically in a format compatible with Microsoft Word. The photograph can be emailed to election@4riverselectric.com, mailed or delivered to a 4 Rivers office. Biographical information requirements:
 - 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 over 500 words will be truncated.
 - Each candidate is responsible for the content of their submittal. 4 Rivers is not responsible for proofreading, editing, or otherwise altering biographical materials, other than truncating materials in excess of 500 words (with the exception of inappropriate language).
 - Biographical information can be updated until 5:00 p.m., December 30, 2024.

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 **5:00 p.m., December 30, 2024.**

Per Article IV, Section 3 of the 4 Rivers Bylaws, a person must meet the following qualifications to be eligible for election as a director or to remain a trustee:

- 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.



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Candidate Compliance Affidavit

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 requested this Board of Trustees Candidate Packet,
reviewed it, and provided the answers and responses required herein. I further attest that:

1. I meet all director qualifications specified 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 4 Rivers Bylaws.
5. The information I provide 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 provide in a timely manner such requested information may result in my Candidate Application's failure to meet 4 Rivers trustee qualifications.

Signature

Printed Name

Signed and sworn to before me, on this the _____ day of _____, 2024.

Notary Public, State of Kansas



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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 map below, check your 4 Rivers bill, or call 620-364-2116. Return the Candidate Compliance Affidavit, Petition, and Candidate Information Form to 4 Rivers' Fredonia or Lebo office by 5:00 p.m., December 30, 2024.

Board Position (select one)

District 1

District 2

District 3

First Name _____ MI _____ Last Name _____

4 Rivers Account #: _____

Physical Address _____

Mailing Address (if different) _____

Contact Phone # _____ Mobile Home Work Other

Alternate Phone # _____ Mobile Home Work Other

Candidate Applicant Signature

Date

Please submit a candidate photo and biographical information to be shared in your candidate profile with 4 Rivers' members. The biographical information needs to be submitted electronically in a format compatible with Microsoft Word. The photograph can be emailed to election@4riverselectric.com, mailed or hand-delivered to a 4 Rivers office. Physical photographs will be returned upon request.



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Petition for Nomination
(Original Signatures Required)

To be nominated by petition, 4 Rivers Electric Cooperative, Inc. (4 Rivers) Bylaws require verifiable signatures from at least twenty (20) members who live in or have designated a voting residence with the board district from which a candidate is seeking election. Candidates 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. Additional copies of signatures sheets can be made.
- 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 5:00 p.m., December 30, 2024**. Submissions may be by U.S. postal service or hand delivered to 4 Rivers' Fredonia or Lebo 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 Name _____ Board District #: 1 2 3

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