

Position: Advocacy Center of Winona Board Member

Function: Commit to and support the Advocacy Center of Winona's (hereafter referred to as "the Center") mission, provide governance to the Center, represent it in the community, and accept the ultimate legal authority for the organization.

Roles and Responsibilities of the Board: (Adapted from MAP for Nonprofits)

Care - Actions must be in the best interest of the organization.

Loyalty - The good of the organization must come before the individual.

Compliance - The organization's governing documents must be followed, and the organization must comply with state and federal laws in carrying out its functions.

- Strategic Planning, Monitoring, and Evaluation
- Financial Oversight
- Ambassadorship
- Hiring and Supervision of Executive Director
- Board Leadership and Development
- Assist Director in Maintaining a Positive Organizational Climate

Board member time commitments:

- Full board meetings quarterly (evenings, 2 1/2 hour sessions);
- Full board meeting coordinated with the Center's Annual Meeting;
- Participation on at least 1 board committee which meet as needed;
- Attend and assist with the Center's Annual meeting – usually in the first week of December.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS APPLICATION

Name_____

Employer_____

Address_____

City_____

State_____ Zip_____

Phone_____

Email Address_____

Please check all the following demographics that apply to you (that you feel comfortable sharing):

___ Survivor of Intimate Partner Violence

___ Person with disabilities

___ LGBTQIA+ person

___ Twin Cities Metro area
resident

___ Greater (rural) MN resident

___ Winona County Resident

___ City of Winona Resident

___ Member of a Cultural/Ethnic Community (BIPOC)
(please identify): _____

What strengths/skills or discipline could you contribute to the Board? (Check all that apply)

___ Accounting/Financial

___ Communities of Faith

___ Corporate/Business Connections

___ Criminal Justice

___ Fund Development

___ Legal

___ Medical

- ___ Management
- ___ Law Enforcement
- ___ Human Resources
- ___ Lobbying/Grassroots Organizing
- ___ Public Speaking
- ___ Strategic Planning
- ___ Gendered Issues and Studies (Academic expertise)
- ___ Collaborative Building
- ___ Other (please explain)

Please provide 2 references.

Name _____
Organization _____

City _____
Phone _____

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Please answer the following questions (if the space provided is not sufficient, you may answer questions on a separate sheet of paper):

- What is your background and experience in anti-violence, advocacy, feminist, or activist movements?

- Do you have nonprofit board experience? If yes, please describe.

- Why do you want to be on the Center's Board of Directors? What would be your strongest contribution as a Board member?

- What would you hope to gain from your experience as a Board member?

- What do you see as the most pressing or critical issue(s) that the Center is facing or needs to address? What role should the Center's Board of Directors play in responding to those issues?

- The original mission of the Center was: "the WRC recognizes the value and equality of women in all aspects of life, including economic independence, freedom from violence, and equal access to and power in the political process." The Advocacy Center acknowledges the importance of equity, safety, and bodily autonomy of all people. We support reproductive justice, which Sister Song defines as: "the human right to maintain personal bodily autonomy, have children, not have children, and parent the children we have in safe and sustainable communities". How will you uphold this human rights framework on the board?

I verify that the above information is true.

Signature

Date

Please return to:

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