

**2021 District Seat Board
Elections
Eagle River &
Matanuska Districts
Candidate Application**



**Matanuska Electric
Association, Inc.**

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Check List

All required attachments must be received (not postmarked) by Monday, February 8, 2021 by mail, in person, by fax or by email. For questions, please contact Jennifer Castro (Public Relations Manager) for 907-761-9317 or jennifer.castro@mea.coop

- Complete and sign application - Pages 1 through 2
- Review candidate deadlines – Page 3
- Attach personal biography (400 word maximum)
- Attach statement “Why I wish to serve on MEA’s Board of Directors” (200 word maximum)
- Attach a headshot, MEA will provide opportunity for headshot by request. (digital copy preferred)
- *List of most recent past/present membership in government/civic or fraternal organizations, or board of directors along with length of membership, office held and terms of service.
- *Resume

*Are optional: Will be published, in addition to above items, under online profile at www.mea.coop/2021elections (not in mailed election materials).

Note: Only maximum word counts will be published in election materials distributed to the membership. Any words above the maximum will be deleted. Statements will be printed as written by the candidate so please check grammar and spelling. This application and all attachments are considered public information and will be shared with MEA members and the news media. The Association’s bylaws require the Election Committee to determine whether candidates meet the minimum qualifications for membership on the Board. In making this determination, the committee may review your account records with the Association. By submitting this application, you consent to the disclosure of this information to the committee.

District Seat Applicant is Applying for:

Eagle River (Eagle River, Chugiak & Eklutna areas)
*Due to 2020 Bylaw change this seat will serve a one-year term this election.

Matanuska (includes areas of Palmer, Butte, Sutton, Chickaloon, & Glacier View) *Term Years 2021-2025

Contact Information	
Name: _____	Email Address: _____
Physical Address (Primary MEA Account): _____ _____	Mailing Address: _____ _____
Preferred Phone: _____	Other Phone: _____

1. Name as you wish it to appear on MEA’s Official Notice and Ballot:

2. How many years have you lived in MEA’s service area? _____
3. Are you a current member of the Association with an active account?
 Yes No *If you answered “No” to Question 3, please provide a written explanation of your answer on a separate sheet of paper.*
- 4a. Are you employed by or have a financial interest in the Association? For purposes of this question, purchasing power (paying a bill) from MEA and receiving capital credits do not constitute a financial interest in the association. Yes No



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- 4b. Are you employed by or have a financial interest in (1) an enterprise that competes with the Association or (2) a business primarily selling electric energy, or supplies, or services to the Association?
 Yes No

- 4c. Are you, or is any person living in your household and with whom you are financially interdependent, a member, officer, director, or employee of any union currently acting as a bargaining agent for any group of MEA employees (IBEW Local 1547 & IUOE Local 3012)?
 Yes No

- 4d. Are you, or is any person living in your household, currently a complainant in an administrative proceeding or a plaintiff in any litigation filed in a state or federal trial court in which either the Association, one or more of its employees, or one or more of the members of the Board of Directors of the Association are an adverse party, and where the subject matter of the litigation arises out of or otherwise concerns the affairs of the Association?
 Yes No

- 4e. Do you have a spouse or domestic partner employed by MEA or employed as a contractor, vendor or supplier to MEA? Yes No

If you answered "Yes" to any question(s) in 4(a) through 4(e), please provide a written explanation of your answer on a separate sheet of paper.

5. For Eagle River District Seat Candidates you understand that this seat is to serve a one-year term this election due to a 2020 Bylaw change which staggered Board election seats. Yes No N/A

I certify that the application I am submitting is true, accurate and correct.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Printed Name: _____

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Qualifications to be Eligible to Become a Director (Article IV, Section 3)

A person:

- a) must be a member of the Association, and a person whose primary residence is in the area served by the Association;
- b) must not be in any way employed by or have financial interest in (i) any other electric utility regulated under AS 42.05, or (ii) must not have a spouse or domestic partner employed by a contractor, vendor or supplier to MEA, or with any financial interest in the Association;
- c) must not be an employee of MEA, nor an employee, officer, or director of any union currently acting as a bargaining agent for the Association employees;
- d) must not currently be a complainant in an administrative proceeding or a plaintiff in any litigation filed in a state or federal trial court in which either MEA, one or more of its employees, or one or more of its members of the Board of Directors of the Association are an adverse party, and where the subject matter of the litigation arises out of or otherwise concerns the affairs of the Association; or lives in the same household with any such person.



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Candidate Timelines

Timeline	Anticipated Start Date	Anticipated End Date	Notes
Candidate Applications Due	February 8	February 8	Due by 5:00 p.m. Monday, Feb. 8
Deadline for Candidates to Withdraw	February 12	February 12	
Election Committee Meeting for Applicant Verification	Week of February 15	February 19	Candidate applications will be reviewed and approved after confirmation that all qualifications are met.
Candidate Online Profiles Go Live	February 26	February 26	
Candidate EGS Tours	March 2	March 6	Dependent on COVID-19 safety measures tour may be offered virtually.
Candidate/CEO Meetings	March 2	March 6	Meetings will be scheduled within this week. Dependent on COVID-19 safety measures, meetings may occur virtually.
Membership Books Close	March 15	March 15	
Election Opening & Material Delivery to Members	March 26		
Deadline for mail & electronic Ballots to be received by MEA	April 26		Ballots must be received by 5:00 p.m. one day prior to the Annual Meeting.
Annual Meeting	April 27		Event currently scheduled at Menard Center on this day; subject to change for COVID-19 safety standards. Preliminary election results TBA.