

The Freeborn County Board of Commissioners invite applicants to serve as the Freeborn County Representative on the Southeast Libraries Cooperating (SELCO)/ Southeast Library System (SELS) Board of Directors

The SELCO/SELS Board of Directors is responsible for decisions made at a regional library level, which have an impact on how services are provided to the residents of Freeborn County. A member of the SELCO Board of Directors provides regional direction and vision for SELCO and SELS. Board members are responsible for governing SELCO and SELS, planning for each organization's future and promoting the organizational mission. Members of the SELCO/SELS Board of Directors are responsible for creating a strong positive culture and cooperative environment.

Responsibilities:

Appointed individuals comprise the Board of Directors of a not-for-profit corporation (MN Statutes 317A) and have the rights and responsibilities for regional public and multitype library systems as outlined in Minnesota Statutes 134.20 and 134.351. Specifically:

- Adopt bylaws and policies as appropriate to fulfill the regional library purpose
- Control regional library funds, income and expenditures
- Hire an Executive Director to manage SELCO and SELS and conduct an annual performance review
- Establish fair compensation for staff
- Purchase property and erect a building or lease space
- Prepare and submit an annual report and other required reports to the Minnesota Department of Education and/or other state or national agencies

Other General responsibilities include:

- Support and promote the SELCO/SELS missions, services, policies and programs
- Attend Board meetings
- Review meeting agendas and supporting materials prior to Board and/or committee meetings and keep up-to-date on developments pertaining to library service
- Serve on Board committees - Required: one year on one committee or task force by the end of the first term
- Attend trustee workshops, Board training and other special meetings or events
- Act as a liaison with the local library community
- Assist with the development and execution of the SELCO and SELS joint strategic plan
- Advocate for funding to support regional library programs and services
- Support basic library tenets such as but not limited to, Intellectual Freedom, Confidentiality of Patron Records, and Internet Safety

Meetings

Meetings are held on the Fourth Tuesday of odd months at 5:30 p.m. in Rochester at the SELCO Office, with a virtual option.

The chosen individual will be appointed by the Freeborn County Board of Commissioners and will serve a three-year term.

All interested parties should submit a letter of interest and a resume by February 10, 2023 to Executive Assistant Chelsea Barrett at Chelsea.Barrett@co.freeborn.mn.us.

Please call Candace Pesch, County Administrator with any questions at 507-377-5116.