

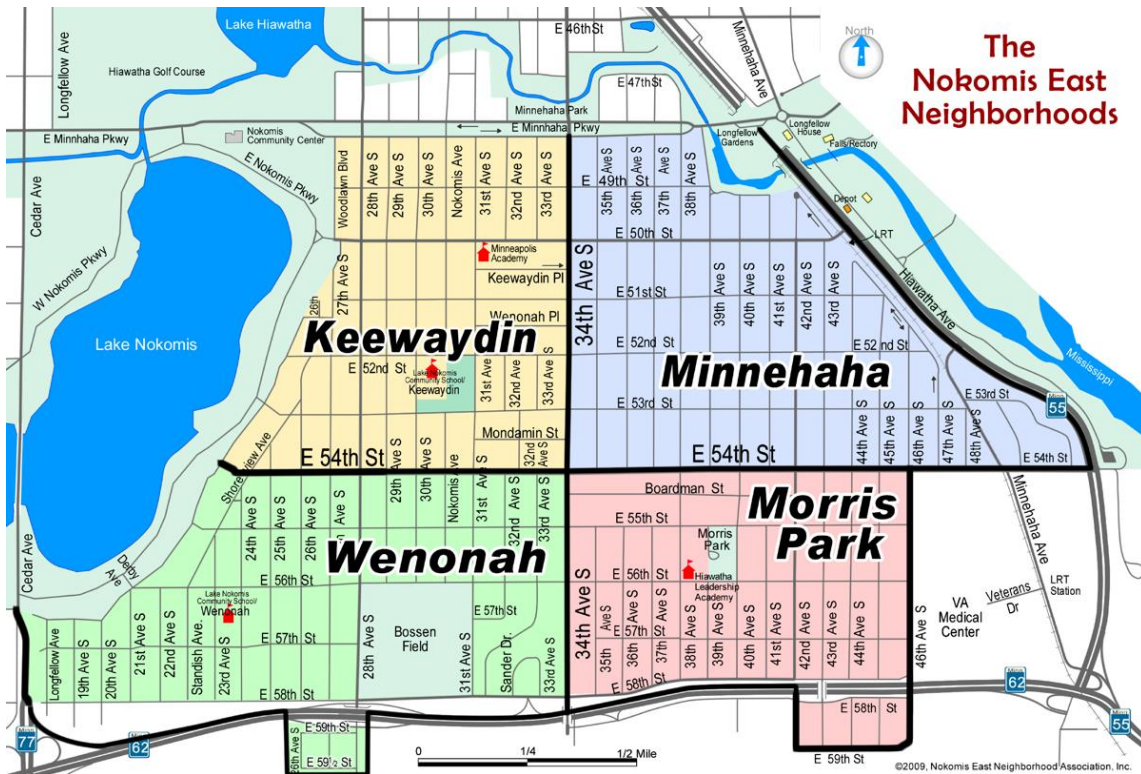
Nomination Form – Part 2 Biographical Information

(Posted on the NENA Website)

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Nominee Name: Elizabeth Bropey

Currently Serving on the NENA Board



Board Seat Nomination (Check all that apply):

- Keewaydin Neighborhood Resident
 - Minnehaha Neighborhood Resident
 - Morris Park Neighborhood Resident
 - Wenonah Neighborhood Resident
- And/Or**
- Business Owner (Only eligible for At-Large Seat)
 - Business Employee (Only eligible for At-Large Seat)
 - Non-resident Property Owner (Only eligible for At-Large Seat)

1. Tell us about yourself and your experience in your neighborhood and in Nokomis East?

I have lived in the Wenonah neighborhood for 20 years. I am currently a block leader and National Night Out contact person. As a block leader I completed C.E.R.T. (community early responder training). Since joining the board I've volunteered at a number of community events.

As a child I lived in the Minnehaha neighborhood and went to school at Keewaydin. I have lived the majority of my life in the Nokomis East neighborhood. This has always been home for me.

2. Why are you interested in serving on the NENA Board of Directors? Describe your interests, skills, experience, hobbies, volunteer work or community involvement that will help your service on the Board?

Why: A lot of my volunteering is because I see a void, and think "hey, I could help with that." I stepped in as an representative 4 months ago to fill a midterm open seat because with so many changes in the world recently, I feel very passionately that I have a responsibility to be a help to my community in any way I can, both in my city and closer to home.

Skills: I've served in several positions on the board of the Bancroft Parent Teacher Organisation (PTO), including secretary, president, and treasurer. I was the fundraising chair and ran several events at the school, such as the carnival, read-a-thon, and plant sale.

I was a volunteer with the North Star Roller Girls (Minneapolis' women's roller derby team and a 501(c)3) for five years. During that time I was a team manager, a bench coach for one of the home teams and as well as the travel team, a team captain (only non-skater to ever hold that position), and volunteer coordinator for bout days. Two years ago I was recruited by the Minnesota Roller Girls to serve as a team liaison for visiting teams when they hosted the world championships in St.Paul.

Currently I volunteer once week at People Serving People working the Residents Resources Desk where I, among other things, distribute supplies and mail to guests, answer phones, help file work logs, complaints, requests, and other misc. paper work. I'm also volunteering at Upper Mississippi Academy (UMA), where I'm helping with logistics for their gala, acting as an adult adviser for a student led environmental initiative, and shadowing the treasurer for the PTO to take over that position next year.

Hobbies: I spend my free time gardening, painting, doing pottery, cooking, doing home renovations, and making things in our wood/metal shop. I really like doing things with my hands, and getting messy.

3. What hopes, goals and concerns do you have for your neighborhood and Nokomis East?

My hope is for this neighborhood to continue being the friendly, safe, and welcoming community that it has been my whole life. I don't really have any concerns, though I suspect things may come up as I learn more about the various workings in the area as a board member.

4. What hopes, goals and concerns do you have for NENA?

NENA has been working on community outreach to the Bossen area, particularly around the topics of renter's rights, and immigrant's rights. I find that really exciting. There are so many great things about living here, and I want to help make sure all my neighbors have the help and support they need to enjoy those things regardless if they're homeowners or renters.

5. How will you reach out to the community during your Board term?

I'm an introvert, so chatting with new people at events and doing public speaking are not my favorite things, but those aren't the only way to reach out. Over my last 4 months on the board, I've helped run kid games at the Night Before New Years party, worked on the Green Initiatives Committee to help implement their plans for the Monarch Mile and the community food garden, and I've handed out fliers and helped facilitate a workshop on immigrant rights. I'd like to continue volunteering at NENA community events, and focus more on Bossen outreach.

6. What additional organizations, programs and events are you involved with?

As I stated in section 2, I volunteer with:

- People Serving People (a family homeless shelter in DT Minneapolis)
- PTO member at Upper Mississippi Academy (UMA)
- Green Team at UMA (student led green initiatives at the school and in the community)
- Gala Committee (primary fundraiser for the school)
- I am a member of LoLa (Longfellow League of Artists) and have volunteered and exhibited at last year's annual art crawl.