

Willard Community Center – Board Application

Personal Information

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Education

College: University of Nebraska – Lincoln

Degree: Bachelor of Science in Business Administration (May 2005)

Major: Business Management (Human Resources Emphasis) **Minor:** Psychology

Work History

Employer: West Gate Bank (February 2004-Present)

Employer Address: 6003 Old Cheney Rd Lincoln, NE 68516

Title: Training & Development (November 2014-Present)

Other Positions Held: Teller, Universal Banker, Personal Banker, Assistant Branch Manager

Previous Experience: Restaurant Management – Spaghetti Works

About Myself

I moved with my parents and three older brothers from Missouri to Polk, NE when I was five. I had the unique opportunity to attend a one-room parochial country school through eighth grade, where my dad was the principal/teacher. I graduated from High Plains Community High School and came to Lincoln to attend UNL, where I met my husband Tim who now works at the Lincoln Public Schools Distribution Center. We bought our home in the Coddington and West A area in 2008, where we are now raising our two children. Joella is eight years old and wrapping up her second grade year at Roper Elementary in the gifted program. Broderick is five and will be a kindergartner at Roper this next school year.

Reasons I Want to Join the Willard Board

With two young children of my own, I passionately support child development care provided in a positive environment. I truly admire the work that the Willard Community Center has done to accomplish a respected and safe atmosphere for youth. Since we live in the Coddington and West A area, Willard is especially meaningful to me because it serves my own neighborhood community. As a working parent, I sincerely appreciate facilities like Willard that offer before and after school and summer programs. I especially like that Willard has partnered with Roper and Lakeview to make the transition from care to school that much easier on both children and their families.

As a non-profit organization, I realize the challenges facilities like Willard potentially face. However, I believe this particular center has such an established and respected reputation, that the community is willing to rally behind it to support its growth and development. I recently learned of the incredible achievement Willard has had with its Capital Campaign and its plan for significant structural additions. I believe accomplishments like these come only from the hard work and determination of those who have a passionate vision of continued progression.

I would be honored if accepted to serve on Willard's Board of Directors. I have been looking to join a board that serves Lincoln's youth and families, and I feel that Willard is a perfect fit. With more than thirteen years in the financial industry, I will strive to bring valuable insight to financial and policy development for the organization. I currently serve as West Gate Bank's coordinator for Junior Achievement, and I have been fortunate to volunteer in multiple classrooms, including several at Roper. I have a great relationship with the administration and staff at Roper as both a parent and volunteer, so I would be happy to facilitate any additional communication with the school.

Willard has provided such a positive impact on my neighborhood community, so I would be humbled and thrilled to become a part of that imprint. I will strive to contribute to the enthusiastic support the board already gives to help the organization succeed. Thank you for your time and consideration in reviewing my application, and I look forward to hearing from you soon!