



NOMINATIONS

SEDA BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Directors must be an individual SEDA member in good standing or have assigned voting rights from a corporate or organizational member in good standing.

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NOMINATIONS OPEN:

February 23, 2026

NOMINATIONS CLOSE:

March 31, 2026

The Organization

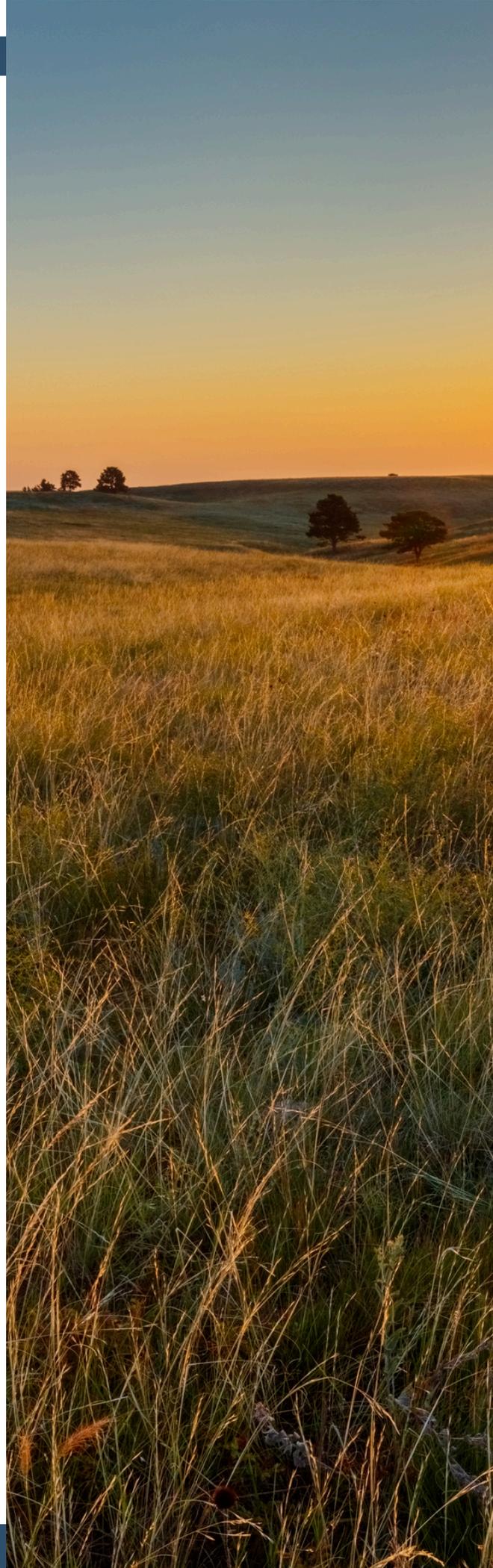
Since 1984, the Saskatchewan Economic Development Alliance (SEDA) has been dedicated to supporting community and economic development in Saskatchewan.

Our mission: building community capacity of foster generational growth.

As the only province-wide non-governmental organization in this field, we work both provincially and at the community level to address emerging challenges and opportunities.

SEDA serves as a systems convener, striving to facilitate solution-focused approaches to community economic development in Saskatchewan. Our goal is to foster collaboration and innovation across communities and sectors, breaking down geographic and institutional barriers.

It's important to note that SEDA operates without funding from public sector agencies and instead generates revenue through memberships, special events, program delivery, and project management.



On Being a Director

The Board governs through policies providing organizational ends, management limitations and parameters of the Board-CEO relationship. Management is comprised of a contracted Chief Executive Officer. Directors have an opportunity to participate on various sub-committees of the Board.

Executive Officers of the Board are determined via policies and a nominations process executed by board members. The Vice-Chairperson automatically becomes Chairperson. The board may also include ex-officio representation up to a number equal to that of elected board membership (10). Ex-officio positions are non-voting members that are invited by the office they hold.

An **average of four board meetings are held annually with most meetings convened virtually**. SEDA will reimburse Directors up to a maximum of \$600.00 per year to offset board-related travel costs that may occur. Directors must not miss more than three consecutive board meetings.

[View our 2025-28 Strategic Plan](#)

Our Values

These values support the fulfillment of our mission:



TRUSTED

Demonstrating integrity and credibility for over 40 years.



INCLUSIVE

Collaboratively connecting Saskatchewan communities.



INNOVATIVE

Inspiring innovation and resilience.



STRATEGIC

Advancing leadership in community and economic development



KNOWLEDGEABLE

Fostering informed capacity building.

Call for Directors

The organization is seeking board candidates who bring perspective and a passion for building prosperous local and regional economies. Nominations are invited from existing directors and new applicants.

Three director positions are open for the 2026–2028 term. In accordance with SEDA’s bylaws, two of these positions must be filled by individuals working in community or economic development (directly employed or independent consultants).

Current Board of Directors:

- Christina Birch, Board Chair, The Community Cafe, Redvers
- Mayor John Gunderson, Vice-Chair, Town of Watrous
- Brent Lutz, Treasurer, CAO, Resort Village of Candle Lake
- Lindsay Alliban, Economic Development Officer, Village of Hazlet, *standing for another term*
- Reagan Harding, Director Economic Development and Tourism, Metis Nation Saskatchewan *stepping down after 2 year term*
- Kami DePape, Vice-President of External Relations, International & Research, Suncrest College, Yorkton
- Mayor Nancy Schneider, Town of St. Walburg
- Jeremie L. Roussel, Partner, MLT Aikins, Regina
- Crystal Froese, memoryKPR, Moose Jaw
- Vacant Director Position
- Ex-officio: Christian Boyle, representing Saskatchewan Indigenous Economic Development Network
- Ex-officio: Mayor Gerald Aalbers, City of LLOYDMINSTER, representing SUMA

Nominations Criteria

1. Directors must be individual members of SEDA in good standing or have assigned voting rights through a corporate or organizational member. To ensure diverse and balanced representation, no more than one Director may come from the same community or sector.
2. Ideal candidates bring:
 - Relevant skills, experience, and insight that will strengthen the Board’s work.
 - A genuine commitment to the success and well-being of SEDA members and partners.
 - Enthusiasm for advancing SEDA’s vision, mission, values, and long-term goals.
 - The dedication to take on both individual and shared responsibilities as a member of the Board.

Nominations Process

Nominations Open February 23, 2026

Nominations Close March 31, 2026

If the number of candidates exceeds the number of vacancies, an election will occur using a digital voting process. Candidates will be required to provide a digital picture and bio should an election be required.

Directors will take office effectively with SEDA's Annual General Meeting to take place June 11, 2026.

Each nomination must have the signature of two SEDA members in good standing, along with the signature of the nominee.

Inquiries may be directed to one of the following:

- Verona Thibault, SEDA CEO ceo@seda.ca direct: 306-205-3339
- Christina Birch, SEDA Governance Committee christinabirch@hotmail.com
- Nancy Schneider, SEDA Governance Committee nschneider@stwalburg.com
- Crystal Froese, SEDA Governance Committee crystalfroese@gmail.com



NOMINATION FORM

FULL NAME OF INDIVIDUAL BEING NOMINATED

SIGNATURE OF NOMINEE

Signature: _____

Date: _____

PHONE NUMBER

EMAIL ADDRESS

NOMINATED BY

NAMES AND SIGNATURES OF 2 SEDA MEMBERS



Signature: _____

Date: _____



Signature: _____

Date: _____

Email the completed nominations form to a member of the Governance Committee or SEDA's CEO prior to 5 pm on March 31, 2026 .

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