

Nominating Committee Candidates - Region 4

Bosma, Rod, Rushmore, MN - Custom swine, cow/calf, grain and small trucking operation (1000 swine, 60 head of Angus cows, corn, beans and hay, 800 acres); 22 years farming experience; Worthington Christian Reformed Church, Worthington Christian School Board, Rushmore, MN Fire Department, American Angus Association, former KLR Watershed Manager, AgStar member for 22 years.

Freking, Jason, Heron Lake, MN - Grain operation (500 acres); 2 years farming experience.

Hansen, David, Lakefield, MN (*Incumbent*) - Beef cow-calf (Purebred Maine-Anjou) and grain operation (100 Maine-Anjou cows, 200 head of feeder cattle, 500 acres of corn, soybeans, alfalfa and pasture); 37 years farming experience; Immanuel Lutheran Church former elder, choir member, serving on Congregational Services Committee, Secretary for Cottonwood Cattle Producers, host farm for 2008 MN Beef Tour.

Johnson, W. Scott, Wells, MN - Grain operation (corn and soybeans, 2,500 acres with brother and nephew) sell seed and truck for Monsanto (Dekalb-Asgrow) through small trucking company; 22 years farming experience; United Methodist Church Finance Chairman, Foster Township Supervisor, Benco Electric Director, WFS Nominating Committee, Corn and Soybean Association member, Wells Area Chamber of Commerce member.

Koep, Larry, Lakefield, MN - Corn and soybean operation (1100 acres); 35 years farming experience; St. Paul Church member, Chairman of Jackson County Rost Township.

Larson, Bruce, Balaton, MN - Grain operation; 11 years farming experience; Sillerud Lutheran Church member and Church Council, Balaton Sportsman's Club, Corn and Soybean Growers, Chairman of the Skandia Township Board, serve on the Balaton Area Community Foundation Board.

Leinen, Bruce, Fulda, MN - Grain operation and sons have livestock (1200 acres, sons have 40 ewes and background dairy steers); 22 years farming experience; member of St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Fulda and serve on their Board of Education.

Lubben, Bruce, Worthington, MN (*Incumbent*)- Grain, swine, beef, seed and chemical dealer (4000 hogs, 400 acres); 25 years farming experience; Nobles County 4-H Board of Directors President, Past President of Grace Lutheran Church Council-Worthington, SAL member-Okabena, AgStar Nominating committee member.

Pietz, Mark, Lakefield, MN - Corn and soybean operation (2800 acres); 23 years farming experience; Jackson County Farm Bureau, Minnesota Corn and Soybean Growers, Minnesota Farm Managers and Rural Appraisers.

Rubus, Craig, Lakefield, MN - Corn, soybean and beef operation. (Custom farm 500 acres, 980 tillable acres, 20 head of finishing Holstein steers); 34 years farming experience; Minnesota Corn and Soybean Growers, member of Holy Trinity Lutheran Church and served many years on church council, retired Jackson County Commissioner of 16 years, served on many regional and state committees as Commissioner.

Schmitz, Randy, Brewster, MN (*Incumbent*) - Corn, soybean and hog finishing operation (2400 head finishing hog barn, farm 2450 acres with three brothers); 22 years farming experience; Mayor of the City of Brewster, Brewster Community Club, Sacred Heart Knights of Columbus, West Fork Des Moines River TMDL Committee.

Schrader, Jeff, Easton, MN - Grain, custom farming and trucking operation (950 acres); 43 years farming experience; State Board of MN Soybean Growers, President of USC FFA Alumni, President of St. Peter's Lutheran Church and on Finance Board, Cemetery Board, member of John Deere Research Panel.

Zinnel, Wayne, Brewster, MN (*Incumbent*) - Grain operation (320 acres); 45 years farming experience; crop adjuster for 41 years, church board and member, legion member, township board.