

Good morning, everyone,

My name is Matt Weddingfeld I live in Syracuse Nebraska, I am married, and we have a one-year-old named Kade. Hobbies for me in my downtime would be spending time with family, and I love to golf. My wife's family has a Farm and Cattle operation here in southeast Nebraska that I enjoy helping with every day. Let me tell you a little about myself, I have been with the Agency since April 2022. I am involved with my local Volunteer fire dept and am currently serving as the secretary. The fire service is also a very special place for me, I love to help people. I am also the committee president for a "building committee" because we are trying to build a new fire station. Previously I worked for the Postal Service for 6 years, I loved what I did but as I looked at my employment, I needed to find something that worked for my family. FSA has given me the opportunity to spend more time with my family, and to enjoy working on the farm with family.

While employed at the Postal Service I was heavily involved in our local union. I can't express enough how much I loved serving for the local union branch. While in the union I served in various roles, I was first a shop steward that required me to help protect my co-workers against management when they weren't following the contract that the union fought hard to get us. I also picked up an additional position in the local level in our union. I was a trustee, and my job was to go through the finances and make sure receipts matched purchases. As well as review our by-laws and to update them as needed, I and two others served as trustees. The last year with the Union I took another additional role as a legislative rep for district one in Nebraska. I enjoyed it so much talking constantly to legislative reps on issues that came up. During my time in the union, I attended two national conventions one in Los Angeles and another in Detroit. I loved getting to know members from across the country and getting information to take back to the local branch and the state.

I come to you this morning to announce my candidacy for my second term as NWA ALT Executive. I really, am dedicated to give the NWA everything I have, I truly love working for the membership and bringing them the information they need to know. I am asking for your support in my candidacy and want you all to know that I will pour my heart and soul into the NWA. Thank you so much!