

## Midwest Area Alternate Executive Candidacy Announcement

My name is Stephanie Knutson and I am excited to announce my candidacy for the position of NASCOE's Midwest Area Alternate Executive. I am located in Central Wisconsin and have been with FSA for three years. Since the beginning, I have been involved with different WASCOE positions as a member, as a Director, and as Secretary. I was selected to represent Wisconsin at NASCOE'S 2024 National Leadership Training and 2025 National Convention. In 2025, I was one of the Midwest representatives at NASCOE'S Membership Work Group which led to my current role as Midwest Area Membership Chair. I am so grateful for these opportunities and roles.

Throughout this past year as Membership Chair, I have greatly enjoyed working with MWA. As your Alternative Executive, I would communicate knowledge, updates, and events in a timely manner. I believe that Stacia Slover and I would make a positive impact for NASCOE.

My goals as your Alternate Executive include improvements in communication, creating an environment that fosters growth and community, and to reignite passion in everyday tasks.

I believe being a NASCOE member strengthens the county office for everyone. When we are able to share experiences, learn from each other, and make contacts throughout NASCOE, it leads to a strong community. That community can help uplift on the hard days. To remind us that at the end of the day, we are proud to provide services that help our local neighbors and the nation as a whole. The more members we have in NASCOE, the louder our voice is, and the more positive impact we can have in keeping our benefits and improving our work systems. This is something that I am passionate about and am excited to be sharing with the Midwest Area.

Respectfully submitted,  
Stephanie Knutson