

Fairbanks Youth Advocates Board Member Application

In our interest to grow and expand services to the at-risk youth population in the Fairbanks and the greater Interior Alaska Community, Fairbanks Youth Advocates seeks board members with a heartfelt passion for this cause in conjunction with personal qualities of integrity and credibility. Savvy diplomatic skills and a natural affinity for both cultivating relationships, and building consensus among diverse individuals and community organizations is critical to our ongoing growth and success.

It is imperative that FYA board members have a proficiency in the use of the Internet and e-mail in order to efficiently contribute, communicate and make decisions in a timely manner. Board meetings are monthly; days and times fluctuate depending on consensus, and some flexibility is essential.

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Please answer all questions and email to info@fairbanksyouthadvocates.org

1. We use email or our board website for most of our business. Will accessibility or technological ability be a problem for you? No
2. Have you read and can you agree with the Bylaws as written? as well as our Board Member Responsibilities, Code of Ethics, and Job Descriptions? Yes
3. Why are you interested in serving on the board of Fairbanks Youth Advocates?
4. What is your professional experience with leadership and/or your accomplishments in business, government, philanthropy, or the nonprofit sector:
5. Briefly outline your volunteer service for other organizations:
6. What are some specific skills and strengths that you can bring to the Board
7. Please submit the names of 2 references that we may contact:

- o Name: Pamela Wilson Phone: 907-750-1373
- o Name: Lori Hollett Phone: 907-590-0832

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Questions and Answers: (Dolores "Dee" Antesberger)

3. Why are you interested in service on the board of Fairbanks Youth Advocates?

I am at a time in my life where I want to learn where I can be useful and continue to grow as a Christian; to become active in mission work and share the talents and knowledge that has God blessed me with, with others. After reading the Bylaws Article 3 and the responsibilities associated with being a board member, I became excited because it's something that would bring me out of my comfort zone and learn more about what community is all about. Finally, children - babies to teens, hold a special place in my heart and I enjoy their company and helping them by getting to know them and sharing my knowledge from life experiences.

4. What is your professional experience with leadership and/or your accomplishments in business, government, philanthropy, or the nonprofit sector?

My professional background is all learned from on the job experience, self-motivation with God given talents, and being allotted opportunities to grow within various companies. I did my best to be a stay at home mom as long as possible and to raise my children with Christian value. To keep up with expenses I found myself back in the workforce doing administrative work which lead to bookkeeping, office management and accounting. Although I do not have a degree in business or accounting, I worked at several companies in Fairbanks overseeing accounting and managing business operations and in every position I served and did my job to the best of my ability; as if I was doing it for the Lord. With that, I was blessed with experience and opportunities to develop into business management.

In 2009 I was hired by absent owners as the general manager of Liberty Tax Service where I set up and oversaw all operations for the 2010 tax season. Ranked #3 out of over 900 new stores nationwide that year, I was one of their top guns which recognized the top 10 stores in the US. Unfortunately, I could not continue working just eight hours a week and was offered a position doing bookkeeping for Walden Estates LLC, which quickly lead to managing the sales office side of the project for Walden Estates, LLC where I had the opportunity to meet with Dennis Wise who is a philanthropist and donor to the Fairbanks Community.

Last year, I purchased both Liberty Tax stores and am doing my best to be one of the top ten producing stores. Currently, I work as an accounting specialist for the City of Fairbanks and have filled in on occasion for Mayor Eberhart's assistant.

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5. Briefly outline your volunteer service for other organizations.

Other than volunteering for the North Pole High School football and wrestling boards, the only volunteer work I've done has been for the food bank doing community outreach through my work. Recently I applied for the Clearinghouse Program Coordinator position with Love Inc. but have not heard anything. With the reduction in pay that would accompany the position I don't know that I could do it but I am hoping to learn more about Love Inc. through their newsletters and get involved. It, too, excited me being a Christian outreach program.

6. What are some specific strengths that you can bring to the Board?

My Christian foundation and business management background are my best abilities. I recognize what needs done and take the necessary steps to complete it. I don't believe there's nothing I cannot accomplish with prayer and good direction. I work well with people and respect their opinions and ideas. I listen to learn options and figure out what needs done and do what I can, then I leave it to God to do the rest. I know I have a lot to offer but I also know I have so much more to learn to find true happiness in my faith and love for Christ. I enjoy challenging work and learning new things and have always wanted to do mission work but did not know how or where to start other than my own back yard. Until recently, I wasn't aware of some of the organizations like Fairbanks Youth Advocates or Love Inc., and am hoping I am given an opportunity to learn and do more. It's been about raising my children up until now and sitting on the board for FYA and volunteering through Love Inc. will be avenues to continue teaching them that there is more to learn about community outreach. Becoming involved with Love Inc. and Fairbanks Youth Advocates, would be that lesson.