



## Minnesota Composting Council 2023 Board Candidate

Nominee: Kellie Kish  
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 MNCC member for 9 years  
 USCC member for 9 years



Has the following skills and competencies:

X	Administration / Business	X	Management
X	Financial Oversight	X	Marketing / Public Relations
X	Fundraising	X	Media
X	Government Operations	X	Policymaking / Lobbying
	Legal	X	Public Education / Outreach

Additional information:

- Specific work or non-profit experience applicable to the MNCC’s Mission
  - Minnesota Composting Council – Board of Directors and Executive Committee member (May 2013 - Present); served as Secretary, Vice-Chair and Treasurer
    - Current chair of Legislative Committee
    - Assisted with development and execution of many MNCC events
    - Assisted with the development and ongoing maintenance of MNCC website
  - Member of United States Composting Council and co-chair of Target Organics Committee
  - Member of Biodegradable Products Institute and participate in Composter & Municipality Work Group
  - Recycling Association of Minnesota – employee (March 2009 – April 2013)
  
- Applicable certifications, degrees, and/or licenses currently held
  - Global Studies/Environmental Sustainability BA – University of Minnesota
  - Minnesota Forest Pest Detector
  - Waste 360 40 under 40 award - 2017
  - US Composting Council Volunteer of the Year - 2021

- Other applicable affiliations
  - Member of Recycling Association of Minnesota
  - Member of Association of Recycling Managers
  - Member of Recycling Education Committee and participate in Wishcycling Subgroup
  
- Why would this person be an asset to the Board?

Kellie has had a focus on composting and organics management since she entered the waste management industry back in 2008. Here are a few items she's contributed to since then:

- Participated in research at Carver County's demonstration compost site
- Participated in drafting comments to the MPCA's rule making process for compost siting and design
- Assisted cities and schools start organics recycling programs
- Promoted backyard composting
- Managed rain barrel and compost bin sales
- Developed a multitude of outreach and educational materials
- Rolled-out organics citywide in Minneapolis for Solid Waste & Recycling customers and opened 19 organics drop-off sites
- Helped create and maintain the Minnesota Composting Council website

Kellie is very dedicated and passionate about the MNCC and our environment in general. Using her knowledge of composting operations, first-hand experience starting organics composting programs, and skills working collaboratively with many organizations toward unified goals, Kellie looks forward to continuing to contribute to the Minnesota Composting Council and furthering the development of the organics management and composting industry in Minnesota. She's also hopeful we can get the compostable product labeling bill passed this legislative session.