



## MAEOE Board of Directors Application

Thank you for your interest in serving on the MAEOE Board of Directors.  
Some of the information you provide will be used for the online MAEOE ballot.

*Please submit completed application, resume, headshot, and a 2 minute video (mp4) introducing yourself to MAEOE members using the submission form on the maeoe.com homepage.*

Name Samantha Lichtenwald

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Employer Bay-Arenac Community High School

Employer address 805 Langstaff St City Essexville

Current Job Title Science Teacher

Are you currently a member of MAEOE? Yes  No  Number of Years 5

Character of the community in which you reside: Rural  Suburban  Urban

Character of the community in which you work: Rural  Suburban  Urban

In which geographic area of the state do you live in (select one):

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|---------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|----------------------------------|
| Western U.P         | <input type="radio"/> | Eastern U. P.       | <input type="radio"/>            |
| NE-Lower Peninsula  | <input type="radio"/> | SE- Lower Peninsula | <input checked="" type="radio"/> |
| NW- Lower Peninsula | <input type="radio"/> | SW- Lower Peninsula | <input type="radio"/>            |



Please rate your skills, experience, expertise, training, and/or background in the following areas, with “1” as the lowest level and “5” as the highest.

Area	Rating	Area	Rating
Sincerity & Passion to the MAEOE mission	5	Non formal Education Field	3
Leadership	4	K-12 Formal Education Field	5
Advocacy	4	Government	2
Availability to commit time to the organization	4	Environmental and/or Outdoor Education Curriculum	5
Marketing/Public Relations	3	Environmental Science	5
Networking/Outreach	4	Grant Writing	4
Fundraising/Sponsorships	4	Legal	2
Organizational Development	5	Finance/Accounting	3
Higher Education	5	Teacher Professional Development	5
Business	3	Diversity, Equity & Inclusion	4

Relevant training/education/certifications not identified on your resume:

everything relevant is listed on my attached CV.

Skills you would bring to the MAEOE board:

- \*Holistic approach in critical thinking, problem solving, and decision-making.
- \*Reflective thought from feedback for improvements moving forward.
- \*Active listening to incorporate others' ideas and experiences.
- \*Growth mindset for continued professional and personal development.





*Promoting environmental literacy through education*

Please describe any past experience you have as a MAEOE volunteer, or serving on another board, or in a leadership position.

\*EEC committee, MAEOE - revisions to split into EEC-A and EEC-P; review of EEC candidate materials.  
\*School Improvement Committee, BACHS - implement school-wide goals.  
\*Cross-Curricular Director, BACHS - provide staff PD training, coordinate community partners, suggest scientific resources, plan field experiences.

Why do you want to serve on the MAEOE board?

I am passionate about education and sustainability. I have many ideas for how MAEOE can reach a wider audience, ultimately increasing environmental literacy across Michigan communities. I'd like to be part of a larger discussion and implementation of action towards expanding environmental stewardship through collaboration and inclusivity.

In your opinion, what should be MAEOE's top priority in the coming year?

MAEOE should have a broader impact in formal education (pre-K through Post-Secondary). Encourage people from ALL disciplines to become involved with a cross-curricular approach. Provide a "guide to getting started"; standards-aligned education resources that are accessible, interdisciplinary, and local when possible; help connecting teachers with community partners

Please list 2 professional references, their titles and their phone number. One MAEOE past or present board member is encouraged, in addition to a MAEOE member, coworker or volunteer that has worked with you as part of a group project or team.

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