

Who is TAIL-Wind Direction?

What are we?

Where are we located?

When did we open?

Why do what we do?



WHO - we are a non profit organization that is in the process of developing a future working farm model in WC MN for individuals with disabilities to assist their abilities with "Direction".

WHAT - our goal is to raise funds to acquire a facility that can house programming for hands-on projects throughout the year in a calming environment workplace. Presently our summer program consists of a produce garden that staff will manage and harvest the goods through marketing sales and community exchange. We are expanding our garden to accommodate a CSA program (Community Supported Agriculture).

When we become more established, future programs could consist of baking, wood shop, arts/crafts, weaving, ground maintenance, landscaping, health/wellness, pottery, water therapy, sensory room, music therapy, life skills such as laundry - house cleaning - dish washing, etc.

WHERE - a board member has designated an area at their farm in rural Herman MN, to host the garden plot and overlook the program as it's in the beginning stages and chart the progress to better the program as it grows. We are in search of a facility in rural West Central MN to accommodate our future programs throughout the year.

WHEN - In August of 2020, papers were filed to start the process for TWD, including the bylaws and articles of incorporation.

A seven member board of directors was acquired in October of 2020 and met virtually in November of 2020 for their first official meeting to elect officers, and have continued meetings quarterly. In May of 2021 the organization received confirmation on being determined as a nonprofit. With the growing demand of TWD, it was in need of additional board members from seven to nine members, which was put in place at our June meeting of 2022. The addition brought balance of various backgrounds from each board of director who bring great attributes to the table. Although we do not have a structure at this time, we have been busy planning details for the present and future of our organization and programs.

WHY - there is a great need for programs to help aid individuals after transitioning from highschool. Especially those who have sensory issues that prevent them from fulfilling job tasks because of distractions, sounds, smells, light, which can trigger sensory overload and cause meltdowns. We are here to help direct individuals with their daily life activities to help them reach their full potential and accomplish a feeling of self worth.

The Board of Directors each have a special place with this organization. Everyone puts effort to advocate for such a great cause to reach the goal of this development. Whether it may take weeks to months to a year or two, we are hopeful in reaching that goal with the support from area communities through funds, grants and donations. We hold an annual Gala Event that brings everyone together to enjoy an evening in celebration for this great organization.

President - Sandra Dunn, Vice President - Nick Milbrandt, Secretary - Rachel Volker, Treasurer - James Solvie

Board Members - Sue Erdahl-Nelson, Evelyn Griffith, Kari House, Lori Mau, Kerstin Volker