

2016 Sail Chicago Candidate Fact Sheet

Name: Shawn Lord

Sail Chicago member since: 2011

Personal/ Professional skills and interests:

I am an Electrical Engineer by trade and I love the outdoors: hiking, camping and sailing.

Sailing experience:

I have been dinghy sailing on small lakes since childhood. When I moved to Chicago, I decided I needed to learn to sail larger boats. I have taken courses with Sailboats Inc. and Sail Chicago. I have now been sailing for 5 years on Sail Chicago boats and crewing on a race boat for 2 years.

Involvement/experience with Sail Chicago:

I joined Sail Chicago in 2011 as a way to get out on the water and get involved with sailing. I found the organization on the web and liked their mission to offer sailing through service time and community involvement. I have since "grown up" with Sail Chicago's Colgates and have worked hard with Maintenance every season to make sure that our fleet is operating and afloat. I have been a board Member for the last two years as well as a Boat Manager and Assistant Boat Manager for several of the Colgates.

Why would you like to be on the Sail Chicago Board?

I believe that my knowledge and experience with maintenance and work with the Colgates as well as my experience with the club provides a valuable perspective that will help lead Sail Chicago for the next four years.

What is your vision for the future direction of Sail Chicago?

I am very happy with where Sail Chicago has come in the last 5 years and have been privileged to see it grow and expand its fleet. I would like to see us develop a stronger community between our members which will allow us to grow and expand our fleet to offer a variety of boats and a full breadth of sailing instruction so we can all continue to learn and grow in our sailing experience.

Signature: *Shawn Lord*

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