



**Citizens League
St. Paul Minimum Wage Project
Study Committee Member Bios**

1. **Paris Dunning**, Director of the East Side Area Business Association (ESABA)

Paris Dunning is the Director of the East Side Area Business Association (ESABA) which is committed to advocating success for the diverse East Side St. Paul Business Community.

The Association has 116 members from many industries, many different backgrounds and experiences. Many small businesses have started on the East Side rekindling an economic engine that is vital and yet still emerging. His interest in this issue is how it can be implemented to benefit workers and businesses on the East Side.

Paris is a graduate of Drake University in Des Moines, has worked on numerous non-profit projects as well as social enterprises and cooperatives, and looks forward to our conversations that will inform ESABA members as they build voice and power around this issue.