

Laurie Adam



Laurie Adam is an energetic teacher who is currently the LRT at Orchard Park School. She has served as a school steward for the past 9 years and has held the position of Family of Schools Representative since September 2015. She is also currently serving on several local committees such as the Social Equity, Professional Development and Budget committee. ETFO initiatives that Laurie has had the privilege of being a part of include: Provincial Leadership Conference, Women's Technology Conference, Union School 2017, And Still We Rise 2017, AGM 2016, after school steward training workshops, summer academy, additional qualification courses, local annual meetings, teacher performance appraisal workshop, trivia night, growing in your teaching career workshop, school leadership workshop, silent auction, picketing outside local political offices, resume writing workshop, and the Queen's Park rally for education. Laurie's ETFO involvement has steadily grown over the last five years and she is looking forward to continuing this by having the opportunity to continue in her current role as Family of Schools Representative as well as attending the Annual Provincial Meeting in August, 2018.

Lindsay Brennan



I have been a member in good standing since 2000 and am currently teaching Kindergarten at Martha Cullimore School.

I have been union steward at Martha Cullimore for the last 6 years. This is my second term as Political Action Chair on the local executive. I am currently a member of the Collective Bargaining Committee and have been part bargaining during the previous two rounds of negotiations.

I am currently a member of the Niagara Regional Labour Council.

I would like to attend this year's AGM as I have never attended and feel that it would benefit me as a representative of ETFO Niagara.

I am also running for Political Action Chair once again.

Cassy Cassidy



My name is Cassy Cassidy. I would love to represent ETFO Niagara again as a delegate to this summer's AGM. During my 18 years with ETFO, I have served as secretary as well as both a delegate and alternate to several AGMs. I have had many roles; junior/intermediate classroom teacher, LRT, low enrollment classroom teacher, librarian and prep teacher. These experiences both in and out of a classroom have helped to broaden my understanding of the varied needs of our membership. I feel that I could be a great advocate for those needs if elected to represent our local. Thank you.

Sharon Ethier



Sharon Ethier has been a long-time supporter and active member of ETFO Niagara both as an occasional and a permanent teacher. Currently, she is the Status of Women Chair and is seeking the position for a second term. In this role, she actively seeks out opportunities for ETFO members to be involved in the greater community supporting women throughout Niagara Region. In her role as Status of Women Chair, she has been involved in bringing forward participation in such local events as the Niagara Take Back the Night, Tampon Tuesday, Free the Girls Campaign, Wellness Workshops, and more. Having dedicated the past 12 years to the ETFO Annual Meeting each August, it would be a great privilege to attend again this year, representing the membership's best interests and being a voice for Niagara teachers.

Sarah Gohm



My name is Sarah Gohm. I've been teaching since 1998 and I am currently teaching a Gr.5 class at John Brant School, I've also been actively involved with ETFO Niagara for about thirteen years where I've held positions as Area 1 Representative and Public Relations Chair. I'm a member of the Status of Women Committee and participate in many local endeavours. I've also been Steward for several years and continue to "co-steward" with a colleague. I am ready for a new challenge and would like to Chair the Professional Development Committee. Additionally, I would like to attend our provincial AGM this summer. I look forward to continuing to promote the importance of our federation and member engagement and respectfully put my name forward for the position of Professional Development Chair and Delegate for the 2018 Annual General Meeting.

Susan Huibers



My name is Susan Huibers and I have been teaching for the DSBN since 2002. The majority of my teaching career was spent at Greendale in Niagara Falls. I moved to teach Intermediate at James Morden. I am currently the LRT and Librarian at Applewood Public School. I have acted as a union steward for many years; I have participated in the arbitration process and attended the AGM in the summer of 2017. I am very interested in attending the AGM again so that I can continue to be active with ETFO outside the DSBN.

Christine McGovern



Christine has been a DSBN teacher and ETFO Niagara member since 2005. In 2006, she took on the steward's role at Prince Philip (S). Since then she has participated in various ETFO events, workshops, steward training sessions, and regularly attended local AGMs, including three provincial AGMs. Christine is currently enrolled in ETFO Union School where she is developing her leadership skills to better serve her members.

She has served our Local on several committees, including Collective Bargaining Credentials, Constitutional Amendment, and Resolutions. She has been a member of the Budget and Status of Women Silent Auction committees for the last three years. If re-elected, she would consider herself privileged to serve as the 2018-20 ETFO Niagara secretary and Delegate to the Provincial Annual General Meeting.

Angela Salvatori – Corapi



I hold a Master of science degree in general education for Grades 7-12. I am certified to teach primary, intermediate and senior biology and science, hold a Special Education, Specialist AQ and completed the Principal's Qualification, Parts I and II. Completed DSBN Aspiring Leadership Program.

Taking on new leadership opportunities is very motivating and has allowed me to utilize my skills to further my professional knowledge. For example; I have organized, developed and delivered a variety of informational and professional development sessions to colleagues both independently and in collaboration with team members. These sessions have focused on math, mental health and Special Education.

My enthusiasm to be involved in a variety of ETFO committees both at the local and provincial level has allowed me to work collaboratively with others to achieve common goals. As a delegate at the AGM in August 2018 and chair for our Professional Development committee, I will continue to work collaboratively with others to represent our members and share your voice to achieve common goals.

Twenty-three years of experience has provided me the opportunity to teach in all four divisions as well as be a homeroom and science teacher. I have taught in public and Catholic schools in California, Georgia, New York and Ontario. Currently I am in my fourth year as the learning resource teacher.

ETFO involvement includes:

- Teacher Education/Faculty Liaison Committee (Local and Provincial Committees)
- Mentor Coaching Institute for Women
- Local Professional Learning Committee Member
- Mental Health Focus Group Participant
- Brock University Faculty of Education Advisory Committee Member
- Teacher Representative for DSBN Policy Advisory Committee
- AGM - Delegate
- AGM - Poll Clerk
- School Steward
- Health & safety School Representative

Jennifer Sims Murray



My name is Jennifer Sims Murray and I'm seeking support for the position of Delegate for ETFO Niagara to the 2018 Annual Meeting. I've been teaching since 1997 and actively involved in our Federation since my preservice year when I marched on Queen's Park in November 1996. Most recently, I've been a member of the Provincial Awards Committee for a two-year term.

I participate in and promote activities at both the local and provincial levels. I've attended the ICT for Women Provincial Conference, the Provincial Annual Meeting, and the local Teacher Leadership Course, to name a few. You'll often find me volunteering at local events such as the Children's Christmas Party, Annual Trivia Night, and Silent Auction.

I am passionate about my work with ETFO Niagara and feel it is a privilege to serve our members, having just completed 6 years of service on our Local Executive. I would appreciate the opportunity to serve as your representative this summer as a Niagara Delegate at the Provincial Annual Meeting.

Stephanie Sims



My name is Stephanie Sims and I am in my 18th year of teaching for the DSBN. I teach French at Quaker Road school. I am in my seventh year as an ETFO steward and have been serving as Area 2 rep on the executive for 4 1/2 years. Over the years I have been involved in extra-curriculars through coaching teams and as a mentor to new teachers through the NTIP program. As well, I completed part 1 of the ETFO Growing in Your Teaching Career leadership program, have participated in ETFO events such as Silent Auction, Trivia Night, the Labour Day Parade, the Children's Christmas Party and have attended the AGM as a delegate. I am looking to change roles within the executive and respectfully put my name forward as Public Relations Chair and as a delegate for the 2018 Annual General Meeting.