

Subject: Candidacy for EC/LoP/OPBO Vice President of the National Executive Committee (NEC)



Dear ACEP-CAPE members,

I am writing to humbly submit my candidacy for the position of EC/LoP/OPBO Vice President of the National Executive Committee (NEC). As a dedicated bilingual member of the Mi'kmaq community from New Brunswick and a proud representative of the 2SLGBTQI+ community, I am excited to put forward my experience and commitment to equitable representation for your consideration.

Having previously served on the NEC as a representative of the TR group, I am no stranger to the responsibilities and challenges associated with this crucial role. My experiences in both EC/TR positions have deepened my resolve to continue advocating for positive change within our organization.

Here are some compelling reasons why I believe I am the right candidate for this role:

1. **Strong Advocacy for Equity-Deserving Groups:** Throughout my journey, I have consistently advocated for the rights and well-being of all equity deserving groups. I understand the importance of creating an inclusive and supportive environment for everyone, and I am committed to amplifying the voices of those who are often underrepresented or marginalized.
2. **Prior Experience with NEC:** My previous experience on the NEC equips me with valuable insights into its functioning, enabling me to better represent your needs, concerns, and aspirations.
3. **Executive Experience with PSAC Atlantic:** I have demonstrated my commitment to effective governance and decision-making within the union movement by serving as the 2SLGBTQI+ Atlantic Director on the executive body with PSAC Atlantic for six years.
4. **Champion of Education:** I firmly believe that knowledge is the key to understanding and growth. As a member of the NEC, I will prioritize initiatives that promote education and knowledge-sharing, ensuring that our members have access to the resources they need to thrive.
5. **Courageous Defender of Fairness:** My unwavering commitment to fairness and justice drives me to defend my positions, even when they may not be popular. I pledge to stand up for the rights of all members, ensuring that decisions made benefit the collective, not just a select few.

As an intersectional individual, I possess a unique perspective that enables me to comprehend and address complex issues faced by members of the equity groups daily. I have actively supported our Black brothers and sisters in their pursuit of justice and fairness and I will continue to advocate for the rights of all marginalized communities.

By casting your vote for me, you are supporting a candidate who is not only knowledgeable and experienced but also compassionate and dedicated to the well-being of our entire membership. I am committed to creating an inclusive and supportive environment for all members, thus fostering peace of mind.

Thank you for considering my candidacy. I am excited about the opportunity to serve our members and make a positive impact on the organization's future. For any questions, feel free to communicate with me at VoteSandyVP@outlook.com or visit my website <http://sandyharquailvp.ca>.