

AAWC Nomination Slate

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Harlan Tufford, President - this is Harlan's 2nd year on the AAWC board having served as Secretary in his 1st year on the board.

Harlan Graduated from Woodsworth College spring 2012 with B.A. Hons. (Joint Specialist, Political Science & History). He is a governance analyst & business intelligence manager with history, Robocop, and of course higher education.

Erin Rud-Thompson, Vice President - this is Erin's 4th year on the AAWC board having served as Vice President last year, and as Secretary on 2 previous years.

Erin graduated from Woodsworth College in 2014 with Honours B.A. (Specialist in Philosophy). She is an accountant in corporate law firm in downtown Toronto. She has volunteered at the Multiple Sclerosis Society in BC and the BC Green Party.

Erin has many interests including distance running, painting in both watercolours and acrylics, working with people, food, and travel. She looks forward to deepening her engagement with the U of T community.

Sofiya Datsyuk, Secretary - this is Sofiya's 1st year on the board.

Sofiya graduated from Woodsworth College in 2015 with an Hon. B.A., double majoring in Political Science and Criminology and Sociolegal Studies. She is a Legal Assistant at Boyle + Co. LLP, a boutique firm specializing exclusively in securities law.

Sofiya strives to make a meaningful contribution in her community through continuous and committed volunteer work. As a student, she volunteered at St. Alban's Boys & Girls Club as a youth mentor and at JusticeNet as a recruitment committee leader. Currently, she is a volunteer at Innocence Canada. Her interests include playing the piano, skiing and traveling.

David Goldstein, Treasurer - this is David's 2nd year on the AAWC board having served as Treasurer in his 1st year on the board.

David graduated with honors from the University of Toronto with a double major in economics and psychology and a minor in Jewish studies. He has spent the majority of his professional career in the Canadian Banking system helping high net worth clients with financial advice. David acts as a financial advisor with CIBC Imperial Service helping clients with financial planning, wealth protection, credit solutions and cash flow management.

In his spare time, he likes to travel, play a variety of sports and spend time with his family.

Sean Keifte, Past President - this is Sean's 4th year on the AAWC board having served as President the previous 2 years.

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Sean graduated from Woodsworth College in 2009 with an Hon. B.A., majoring in Employment Relations and Political Science. He worked in a variety of roles in human resources at the University of Toronto before moving to the Ontario Public Service (OPS). In his current role, he provides strategic leadership for corporate initiatives at the Ministry of Community Safety and Correctional Services (MCSCS).

Sean is a former director of the Woodsworth College Students' Association (WCSA) and former President of the Alumni Association of Woodsworth College (AAWC). He continues to remain actively involved in the university community as a long-term member of the Woodsworth College Alumni Student Mentorship Program (ASMP), and as a representative on the University's College of Electors.

Yasmeen Khan, Director - this is Yasmeen's 6th year on the AAWC board having previously served as Secretary for 2 years.

Yasmeen graduated from Woodsworth College in 2008 with an Honours Bachelor of Arts in Art History and English Literature.

She works in communications and marketing. Yasmeen enjoys creating YouTube videos and traveling to watch professional tennis. Prior to joining the AAWC in 2014, Yasmeen volunteered at her local library's Reading Buddies program for children.

Dan Acheson, Director – this is Dan's 4th year on the board. Dan graduated from Woodsworth College in 2002 with an Hon. B.A., with double major in Commerce and Religious Studies.

He worked in at CIBC at various head office locations for 20 years in a career that began in software engineering and evolved to business technology strategy. Since 2002 Dan has worked as a Business Management Consultant in organization review and renewal.

Dan has been a chess coach, a baseball coach, founded a basketball league, and he produced, hosted, and wrote twelve 30-minute segments of Chess Chat for Scarborough community television. More recently he has volunteered extensively at U of T. He is an avid observer of society and politics.

Connie White, Director – this is Connie's 2nd year on the board. Connie graduated from Woodsworth College in 1988 with a B.A. in Sociology & Criminology and in 1991 graduated from York University with her B.Ed. She also earned her Specialist in Guidance & Student Services, Specialist in Co-operative Education, and her Principal's Qualifications.

She has taught from grades kindergarten to Grade 13. In 2002 she became Department Head of Guidance & Student Service and provided students with many opportunities to access various workshops and presentation concerning both academic and career development. In 2006 Connie became a Vice-Principal with the Durham District School Board.

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In the past, she has been a Director for Schoolhouse Playcare in Durham and assisted in its growth from one Daycare to many, all located within many of the elementary schools in Durham. She was also a Director and Past President of Campus Co-operative Student Residence in Toronto. Connie enjoys travelling, reading, golfing, board games and family gatherings. Connie is looking forward to working with other Directors and Alumni of Woodsworth College.

Susan Shah, Director – this is Susan's 1st year on the board. Susan graduated from Woodsworth in 2016 with a B.A. Hons in Equity studies, and is a Master of Information Candidate at U of T (2018). She currently works as an Administrator for Metro Foods head office.

She was elected as Academic Bridging Program Director on the Woodsworth college student's council - WCSA for 2013-2014. and was a student representative on the Woodsworth college council and AAWC and was Academic Bridging Program mentor.

Yunis Kariuki, Director – this is Yuni's 1st year on the board. Yunis graduated from Woodworth in 2010 with a HBSc. in Physical & Environmental Geography Specialist and a minor in Resource Management. Yunis also graduated in 2016 with a Masters in Philanthropy and Non-profit Leadership from the Carleton University.

Yunis is a Certified Fundraising Professional (CFRE) with over 9 years of experience in fundraising and working in the charitable sector.

Yuns is also a strong believer in giving back to her community. She currently serves as a board member for the Association of Fundraising Professionals GTA. In the past she served for 6 years as a member of the Board of Directors of a small grassroots non-profit environmental organization called the Toronto Green Community (TGC). In addition, Yunis has served on the board governance committee for Family Service Toronto (FST); a non-profit organization that assists families and individuals through counselling, community development, advocacy and public education.