

Olympic UniServ Council Director to the Board Nominees

Silas Berry, CENTRAL KITSAP E A

I'm Silas Berry an elementary school teacher in the Central Kitsap School District. I started my teaching career in 2008 after serving over 25 years in the Navy. I'm asking for your support to represent you as a WEA Board Director. I feel that it is important to have an advocate that will listen and bring concerns to the avenues that could address them and make changes. I have been an active Union advocate since starting my teaching career in 2008. I have been a building Rep, building liaison for 5 schools in Central Kitsap School District, CKEA executive board, Grievance rep, WEA board and executive committee member and a member of the WEA budget and finance committee. I am not afraid to address issues that for our members and the greater community. I would like to continue to be an advocate for our members, students and community. Thank you for giving me the opportunity to represent and advocate for you.

Anne Johannsen, NORTH MASON E A

No additional information provided.

Kirstin Nicholson, CENTRAL KITSAP E A

I have been a local president for 10+ years, I want to serve at higher level and I believe my experience as a full time release president for 10 years will bring a valuable perspective to the board. I see things from a variety of perspectives-certificated staff and classified staff. We are all one and need to move forward together. I will be open minded to all ideas and believe we are stronger when we work together.



Martha Patterson, CENTRAL KITSAP E A

Being a union activist is as much a part of me as the air I breathe. My introduction to union work was serving on a bargaining team. In the years since, I have served as a building rep, bargaining support team, RA delegate at the state and national level, executive board member at the local, regional and state level, council vice president, WEA PAC Board Director, WEA Board member and am presently serving as Senior NEA Director for Washington, and chair the NEA Educator Voice Committee. 30+ years in the classroom as a general ed and special ed teacher, I am a committed advocate, and will always speak for and listen to all members and views. Union advocacy and action is my passion. It would be an honor to continue to serve on the WEA Board.



Eric Pickens, PORT ANGELES E A

As a current first grade teacher, U.S. Coast Guard veteran, and a parent of two children attending public school, I am passionate about public education and service. I will continually strive for excellence and ask difficult questions. I have a proven track record and experience supporting our union. In addition to being a first grade teacher in the Port Angeles School District, I have also served as the Port Angeles Education Association President and I am currently serving as vice president for the WEA Olympic council. I have served on the WEA Board for the last 2 years, and I would be honored to continue representing the educators of WEA Olympic. For dedicated, passionate and experienced leadership, I ask you to vote for me, Eric Pickens.