

## Seattle UniServ Council Director to the Board Nominees



### **Antoinette Felder, SEATTLE E A**

As a Board member I will be able to bring and share out information to our members that is clear, concise and transparent.



### **Vallerie Fisher, SEATTLE E A**

Hello, my name is Vallerie Fisher, running as your candidate for the WEA Board of Directors.

I have been your elected NEA ESP At-Large Board of Director for two terms ensuring that your voice was present, and your vote was cast on issues of concern.

I have consistently been an active SEA, WEA, and NEA voice for fifteen years, as the SEA PARA Vice-President, Treasure, Secretary, Executive Committee member, and been on several Bargaining Teams.

I have been a WEA Minority Leadership Trainer, a member of the WEA Diversity Work Team, the WEA Human and Civil Rights Committee member assisting Councils and Locals in the development or updating, and the implementation of their Inclusive Diversity Plans per the 3 (1g) state guidelines on inclusion of their members of color, and working as a subcommittee member in the selection process for Award Recipients; individuals and groups, in five Social Justice categories in our state with youths, educators, and the community!

I am the recipient of the WEA ACT ESP of The Year 2018, the WEA Human Civil Rights Award for Student Involvement 2017, the 2019 NEA Board Black Caucus, and WEA Black Caucus Chair.

I am also, your elected SEA Secretary/Treasure, ESP Mentor, and Trainer, WEA Culturally Responsive/Implicit Bias Trainer, Martin Luther King Jr. Labor Council voting delegate, the WEA ACT WEAPAC Management Board member, and a 37th district Precinct Committee Officer (PCO), and Executive Committee Deputy Treasure.

I am a life long learner and Education advocate, asking for your vote!



**Len Hill, SEATTLE E A**

I'm a certificated member of Seattle Education Association, working with new to profession educators navigating their first year of service. In addition, I'm an Area Representative, serving all bargaining groups within our central offices, a member of the SEA Board of Directors, and most recently, serve as an alternate for WEA Board members representing Seattle. I am committed to representing our students, families, staff and communities, through ongoing family advocacy, empowering student voices, and connecting our members to the resources they need to provide the best possible outcomes for every child. As the landscape within Washington state changes, so do the needs of those we are called to serve. Nowhere is that more evident, than in Seattle. I want the opportunity to represent our local and communities at the state level. We are doing some incredible work around racial equity and equitable practices, social emotional learning and meeting the needs of the whole child, and continuing to garner community allies as we strengthen our political action efforts. Serving on the WEA Board of Directors will allow me the opportunity to share our efforts with others from around the state, as well as, build upon the great work our that continues to engage our members. I ask that you vote for Len Hill to the WEA Board of Directors. Thank you!

**Marguerite Jones, SEATTLE E A**

Nea State delegate, past NeaEsp Board director representing ESP members at Local, State and National level. I continue to support all educators. I currently serve on the Documents and Resolutions committee at the Local and National level. I welcome your support in electing me to serve all of our members

Thanks again for electing me represent you.



**Kaitlin Kamalei Brandon, SEATTLE E A**

The union is the best avenue for the change and dedication to racial and social justice that our schools need! As a Grades 2/3 ELA and Ethnic Studies Teacher at Leschi Elementary, I love my kiddos and coworkers and want to fight for a more equitable school system that benefits every student, family, and educator. Early on, I realized this can only be obtained through work within our union.

Over the past couple years, I have served as a Racial Equity Coach and Temporary Program Manager for the SEA Center for the Racial Equity. Also, I serve on the WEA Human and Civil Rights Committee. Through my experiences in different areas of the union, I have been able to gain the leadership, systematic organization, and communication skills necessary to advocate for the best schools for our communities and members. In addition, I have already worked hard to bring equitable policies to the WEA and NEA as a delegate to both 2019 Representative Assemblies. Specifically, at the WEA RA, my colleagues and I organized educators from across the state and passed 13 out of 13 policies that focused on bringing more racial equity into our union.

We have more work to do to obtain the union and schools that we all deserve, though. Therefore, I want to bring this work straight to the WEA Board of Directors. Please vote for me so I can do so, because "Equity in Education Starts With Us"!