

# LEADERSHIP TEAM ELECTION 2020



**JUDE GUZZI**

I have been an educator in the Winnipeg School Division (WSD) since 1995. My experiences include Nursery to Grade 9 classroom teacher, Reading Recovery, Special Education Resource Teacher, Vice Principal and Principal. I have worked throughout the WSD in both English and Dual Track French Immersion/English schools. I have been an active member of our division's Principal/Vice Principal fall conference committee.

As a lead educator, I model and truly live my beliefs. I genuinely believe in the abilities of all members of our school communities and look for ways to engage and learn alongside them. I strive to demonstrate positive and effective educational leadership and managerial skills.

I am in my fourth year as a COSL Director and am a member of the Educational Leadership mandate group and the CAP 2020 Conference Committee. I support the COSL Summer Field-Led Course as a Learning Leader. I have learned strong interpersonal skills with an understanding of the importance of relationship building and shared decision making within diverse communities.

As an active COSL member, I welcome the opportunity to further support my colleagues and COSL as part of the Leadership Team. I am committed to lifelong learning, professional engagement, and support the exceptional work of my colleagues in the province. I would be honoured to be elected to COSL's Leadership team.



**BRAD HARDING**

Originally from Newfoundland, I began my career in Norway House after getting married and moving across the country in 1999. I spent four years in Norway House teaching grade 3 for two years and then computer studies. During that time, I began exploring leadership through the Frontier School Division's leadership program and tackling a Master of Education degree.

In 2003, my family and I moved to Arborg where I taught grade 5/6 for three years while continuing to complete my master's degree and school administrators' certificates. By 2006, I was appointed Principal of Arborg Early Middle School and have been in the position since.

I strongly believe in the value of professional organizations and have been actively involved with COSL and MTS for many years. I have been a COSL director since 2014, Employee Benefits Chair and Vice-President of our Local, member of the Young Humanitarian Awards Committee, Case Management Committee, and member of the Disability Benefits Plan Committee (for six years).

With the current political climate in our province, it is more important than ever that we stand united and face any upcoming challenges together. I am looking forward to the opportunity of becoming a COSL Leadership Team member to support school leaders through what could be a very challenging time ahead.

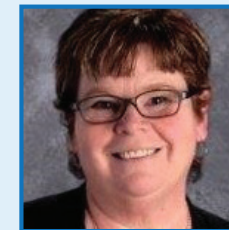


**DONNA JOHNSTON**

I consider being involved with the Manitoba Teachers' Society as a privilege. I have been an active member of the Thompson Teachers' Association since the beginning of my teaching career. At the provincial level, I proudly served as a Provincial Executive Member-at-Large, I have been a Presiding Officer of the MTS Provincial Council, and I am completing my 3rd year as a COSL Director of the Northern East Region.

As we await the report of the K-12 Education Review, it is important to have representation from throughout the province, with diverse backgrounds to share the voice of principal teachers and vice principal teachers. My background is dually rooted with my perspectives in education and leadership, allowing me to offer my insights and experiences locally in the north and provincially. It is through opportunities offered by the MTS that have allowed me to broaden my scope of experiences.

I am extremely proud to be completing my 5th year as the principal teacher of Westwood Elementary School in Thompson, to be able to lead a dedicated team of teachers and fantastic support staff. I ask that you to elect me to the COSL Leadership Team so I may continue to broaden my scope of experiences by working for all principal teachers and vice principal teachers in Manitoba.



**ANGELA VOUTIER**

I was born and raised in New Brunswick and have thirty years of experience in education. Through that career, I met and married a fellow educator and together we have three adult children.

After receiving my Bachelor of Education from the University of New Brunswick, I spent half my career in northern, rural communities. My family moved to Brandon, Manitoba in 2004 and I continued to teach and obtain two Masters Degrees in Curriculum and Instruction and Educational Administration. After teaching high school English for five years, I assumed the role of Principal; first at École O'Kelly School for six years then at Linden Lanes School in September 2016. In the fall of 2018, I was accepted into the PhD Program at the University of Manitoba and have completed my coursework. I have served as a Director for COSL for four years and have been a proud member of the Leadership Team for the last two years.

While living and teaching in Ontario, New Brunswick, Nunavut, Saskatchewan, and Manitoba, I have gained vast experience in educational issues for Indigenous people and inclusive education and have had the opportunity to assume many leadership roles in the areas of curriculum development and administration. I would welcome the challenge and opportunity to continue my role on the Leadership Team.