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**LOCAL 1-417**

## LOCAL UNION ELECTIONS 2024

### PRESIDENT

#### MARTY GIBBONS - LOCAL 1-417 PRESIDENT

I am deeply honored to be nominated for President. My Union journey began with Canoe Sawmill in 1994, where I worked as a tradesperson. I have been elected to several positions, including site Union and Safety Committee, plant chairperson, and Local Union Officer positions, including Warden, Vice-President, and, since 2004, President. Recognizing the importance of continuous education, I have dedicated many evenings and weekends to taking Safety, Pension/Benefits, and Labour-Law courses. I have applied this knowledge effectively at the bargaining table, in Grievance Arbitration, fighting for members denied WorkSafeBC benefits, and training hundreds of job stewards and safety committee members.



#### KEVIN MCBRIDE - TOLKO - HEFFLEY DIVISION

My name is Kevin McBride, I have made the decision to run for President of local 1-417. I do not take this choice lightly. I think it is time for change for our membership. I have been working within the local union for over 25 years. I worked at Ainsworth Savona for 10 years and the rest of the time at my current site, Tolko Heffley Creek. I have held positions with the committee's such as Job Steward, Safety Committee, and right now, I'm currently Vice Chair and safety Co-chair at my current site, Tolko Heffley Creek. I have held...

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**WE ARE CURRENTLY IN THE PROCESS OF CREATING SCHEDULES FOR VOTING TO BEGIN, WE ARE HOPING TO START VOTES AS SOON AS NEXT WEEK.**

**NOTICES WILL BE POSTED ON ALL BULLETIN BOARDS WITH DATE, TIME AND LOCATION OF THE VOTE FOR YOUR COMPANY. IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS ABOUT THE SCHEDULE PLEASE CONTACT YOUR PLANT CHAIR OR THE LOCAL UNION OFFICE.**

**PLEASE VOTE, YOU ARE THE UNION!**

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## FINANCIAL SECRETARY

### **JORDAN LAWRENCE** **CURRENT USW LOCAL 1-147 FINANCIAL SECRETARY**

My 20 years of experience in Union leadership include eight years as a Plant Chairperson and 12 years as the Local Union Financial Secretary. In this role, I have not only effectively managed the Local Union's finances but ensured every penny is spent correctly and accounted for, thereby contributing to the stability and growth of our Union. Equally important, I have a proven track record representing our members in negotiations, grievances, arbitrations, and WorkSafeBC appeals, advocating for your rights and needs. My years of experience allow me to understand your daily issues. I appreciate your support; thank you.



### **KEVIN MACKENZIE** **TOLKO - HEFFLEY DIVISION**

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Are you sick and tired with the status quo?

Do you feel neither heard nor respected?

Well, your not alone and its time to make a change. My name is Kevin Mackenzie and I was nominated for the position of Financial Secretary with Local 1-417 and I'm here to shack things up.

Your vote counts and a vote for me is a vote for change.

Tolko—Industries  
Heffley Creek  
Job Steward

2015 - Present  
2017 - Present

## 2024 BALLOTING COMMITTEE

KELLY INGLIS - WESTERN HUMAN RESOURCES  
KEVIN MCDUGALL - ASPEN PLANERS LTD. - SAVONA DIV.

KAREN WILSON—CANOE FOREST PRODUCTS

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## 2nd VICE PRESIDENT



**MIKE IACCINO**  
**CANOE FOREST PRODUCTS**

I have worked at Canoe Forest Products for the last 19 years, during which time I have served the membership for 15 years as Safety Chairperson and over 8 years as Plant Chair. I've been elected to several Local positions, including Trustee, Safety Director, and Vice-President. I hold an associate degree in Sociology and have received significant education in Health and Safety, Grievance Resolution/Arbitration, WCB Appeals, and Bargaining. If re-elected, I am committed to continuing the fight to improve our members' rights and create safer workplaces within our local. I ask for your support for re-election as 2nd Vice president.

**RON ADOLPH**  
**ASPEN PLANERS LTD - LILLOOET DIVISION**

No Submission of resume received before deadline.

## 3rd VICE PRESIDENT



**DARRIN CURRAN**  
**KOPPERS - ASHCROFT**

Hello. My name is Darrin Curran. I am a 5th Class Power engineer employed at the Koppers Ashcroft Treating. Throughout my career, I have held various roles within the Local Union, including third Vice President, Safety Director, Trustee, Organizer, Plant Chairperson, Bargaining Committee and Instructor. These positions have allowed me to grow as an activist and make a significant impact in our workplaces. I have received significant Education, including: USW Facilitator, Arbitration Levels 1 & 2, Health and Safety Levels 1 & 2. I am active in my community, volunteering as a Cadet Officer, Royal Canadian Legion and Honour Ranch.

**GREG ADRIAN**  
**TOLKO—HEFFLEY DIVISION**

Resume received after deadline.

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YOU WORK FOR TO RECEIVE UPDATES ON  
YOUR WORKPLACE FOR ALL UNION  
MATTERS.



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## TRUSTEE - 1ST POSITION

### **MEREDITH DESMARAIS KOPPERS - ASHCROFT**

I have worked at Koppers in Ashcroft as a Timberline Operator/Health Safety Environmental Tech for 12-years. My extensive Union activism includes eight-years as Vice Chair, five-years as Joint Health and Safety Chair, and three years as Local Union Trustee. Knowledge is Power! I have devoted myself to self-improvement to better serve our members by completing training for Job Steward Levels 1 & 2, Facing Management, Bargaining Level 1, Union Organizing, and countless safety courses. My commitment to our Local is unwavering, and I am eager to continue serving our Local Union Members as a Trustee. Please Vote Meredith for Trustee!



### **LARRY WILLIAMS ASPEN PLANERS LTD - LILLOOET DIVISION**

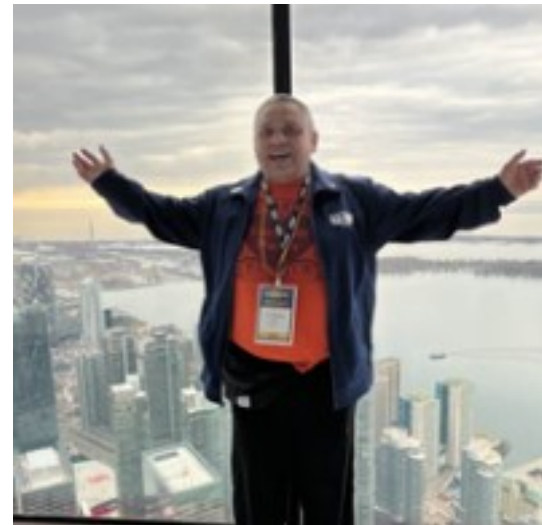
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Dear Steelworkers team

I'm thrilled to submit my application for this trustee position at Steelworkers. I'm eager to show my transferable skills to make me uniquely qualified for this position.

- Unionism on Turtle Island Certificate
- Plant Chair executive board
- Job Stewart/ safety Captain - currently
- Organizing in Chace, Adams Lake, New Gold Kamloops, outlet store Kamloops
- International steel workers board for First Nations union meetings in Toronto, Thunder Bay, Winnipeg, Edmonton Montreal, Vancouver, and Kamloops.
- On the Committee for 6 years
- Halout group—agreement for the union for statimc nation
- Union member for 30 years
- Helping raise money for food band ...

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## **66TH ANNUAL DELEGATED MEETING**

The 66th Annual Delegated Meeting of Local 1-417 was held at the Kamloops Convention Centre on May 4, 2024. Canadian National Office Staff Member, Shawn Harris, conducted the nominations for Local Union Officers and Three Year Trustees.

### **Elected by acclamation were:**

**1st Vice President** - Philip Ducharme - Tolko Heffley Creek

**Warden**—Dylan Gulak - Tolko Heffley Creek

**Safety Director**—Darrin Curran - Koppers - Ashcroft

**2nd Position Trustee** - Lori Hamelin - Thompson Community Services

**3rd Position Trustee** - Kevin McDougall - Aspen Planers Ltd - Savona Division

**Recording Secretary**—Kelly Inglis - Western Human Resources

**Conductor** - Madeleine Genn - Active Care Youth & Adult Services