Sharon Penney Candidate Regional Representative – East



I retired in June 2013 after teaching developmentally delayed teenagers for 30 years. During my teaching career, I served on the executive of three different branches of the NLTA, and on the executive of the NLTA (Newfoundland and Labrador Teachers Association) I also served on several committees at the provincial level while active at the NLTA such as

Communications/Political Action Committee, Benefits and Economic Services Committees, and Equity Issues in Education Committee.

In 2010, I received the Bancroft Award which recognizes outstanding service at the branch level of the NLTA. I also received a Special Recognition Award from the NLTA in 2012.

I was elected to the RTANL executive as a Member at Large in October 2016. At that time, I was also elected as Secretary of the Retired Teachers Association of Newfoundland and Labrador Foundation for Children's Charities. I was elected as VP of the RTANL in October 2018, and elected as President of the RTANL in May 2020 and re-elected in October 2022. I have represented the RTANL as an observer at the ACER-CART AGM in 2018 and 2019, and as a Director in 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023.

In June of 2023 I joined the ACER-CART Executive as the East Coast Representative, a role that I wish to continue. I Chair the Health Services Committee as well.

Since 2017, I have sat as a manager on the Group Insurance Managers Committee, which oversees the Health Insurance Plan between Johnson's Insurance and the NLTA.

I represented the RTANL, on the Coalition of Seniors, Retirees and Pensioners from 2017-2022.

I hold an executive position on the RTANL Foundation for Children's Charities and have done so since 2020. I represent the RTANL on ECRTO.

I have been an executive member of Con-Tri Division of the RTANL since 2016. I Vice Chair of the Official Board of the United Church in Victoria, Newfoundland.

I look forward to continuing to serve, retired teachers as one of the ACER-CART Representative-East.

Education

Bachelor of Arts (Education) - MUN

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Bachelor of Special Education -MUN

Certificate Program in Criminology - MUN

International Foundation of Employee Benefits Plans Certificate of Achievement (FTMS)

Community Involvement

1992- 1996. Cub Leader. Victoria United Church

2013- present volunteer at Princess Sheila NaGeira Regional Theatre

2016- 2021 member on various Church Boards

2021- 2024 Chair of Board of Stewards, Victoria United Church

2021 - 2024 Member of Official Board, Victoria United Church

2024 - Vice Chair Official Board, Victoria United Church

Professional Involvement

1985- 1999 held executive positions on the Upper Trinity Branch of the NLTA

1999-2005 held executive positions on the Bay Roberts Branch of the NLTA

2005- 2013 held executive positions on the Carbonear Branch of the NLTA including the position of President

2001- 2005 Member of the NLTA. Communications Committee, Gender Equity Committee and Awards Committee

2011-2013 -Executive Member of the NLTA

2011-2013- Served on the Special Education Council (NLTA)

2011-2013- Served on the Finance Committee (NLTA)

2010 Awarded the NLTA Bancroft Award for Outstanding Service at the NLTA Branch Level

2013 NLTA recognition - Voluntary Service and Leadership on the Provincial Executive Council

At the school level I was actively involved in many committees most notably the Auction Committee, Graduation Committee and the Occupational Health and Safety Committee.

Post Retirement Professional Involvement

2016 - 2018 Elected to the Provincial Executive of the Retired Teachers Association of Newfoundland and Labrador(RTANL) as Member at Large

2016 - 2018 Secretary of the Retired Teachers Association of Newfoundland Foundation for Children's Charities.

2017 - present. Group Insurance Manager NLTA. (Johnsons Insurance)

2018-2021 Vice President RTANL

2021 - present President RTANL

2021- present Ex-Offico member of Retired Teachers Association of Newfoundland Foundation for Children's Charities.

2016- 2021 RTANL representative on the Coalition of Seniors, Retirees and Pensioners

2018-2020 Observer Canadian Association of Retired Teachers (ACER-CART)

2021-2022. Representative on 100th Anniversary of the Faculty of Education Committee

2021-2023 Director Canadian Association of Retired Teachers (ACER-CART)

2022-2024. Alumni Representative on the Legacy of Leadership Awards Committee

2022- present East Coast Retired Teachers Rep (ACER-CART)

2022- present Chair of the Health Committee (ACER-CART)

2022 Executive Member of (ACER/CART)

2023 Member of Political Advocacy Committee (ACER-CART)