



EAST COAST

Board of Directors Nominee Biography

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What character traits do you currently possess that you feel would be an asset to the overall governance of the East Coast Credit Union Board of Directors?

I possess the following character traits that can continue to be an asset to the overall governance of the ECCU Board of Directors:

- * Passion for the Cause - Firm believer in the Co-operative Principles and personal and social benefit of being an active Credit Union member.
- * Respectful Communicator - Communicate in a supportive manner by listening to alternative viewpoints while effectively voicing my own opinion.
- * Strategic Thinker - Able to critically review all information provided, consider different angles and provide solutions that support the end goal.
- * Trustworthiness - Ability to be relied on as honest and truthful.
- * Willingness to Learn - High level of commitment to dig into the details and a commitment to continuous learning about the ever-changing financial services industry.

What skills, knowledge, and experiences do you bring that you believe will contribute to our Board of Directors, i.e. community involvement, board experiences etc.?

- Active member of ECCU's Board of Directors since April 2010 (one year interruption 2016-17)
- ECCU Committees: Audit Committee (2008-14), Credit Committee (2014-16 and 2020-now; currently Chair since 2020), Nominations Committee (2017-19; Chair 2018-19 and 2021-22), CEO Evaluation Committee (2017-22), Governance Committee (2018-21; Chair 2019-20)
- Completed Director Training (2016)
- Municipal Councilor for District 3 in Richmond County
- Regional Occupational Centre (ROC) Board of Directors (2007-2013) and ROC Foundation Board (2011-2016)
- Various positions in the Strait Richmond Minor Hockey Association as Manager, Treasurer and proud hockey mom
- Executive member of the NSTU Community College Local (2013-2018)
- Chair and member of various committees of the Nova Scotia Community College Academic Union (2018-now)
- Self-employed for the past 21 years offering Accounting Services
- Faculty since 2005 in the School of Business at NSCC Strait Campus, Accounting Faculty Working Group Chair (2009-2018)
- Various roles in Accounting firms, where I was an external auditor for many original ECCU branches, and as Comptroller in private companies prior to 2005
- Bachelor of Business Administration, Payroll Compliance Practitioner designation and various professional association accounting courses