

## **CFUW Board of Directors Application**

### **A. Background Please indicate the position you are applying for and tell us why you are interested in serving on the Ontario Council Board.**

My interest is due to my enthusiastic concern of the topic. My undergraduate work was in Women's Studies, I was a delegate to the UNCSW63 through CFUW and my actual paid work has been primarily in the area of supporting women. My points of interest are confronting gender aspects of fundamental rights and women rights including but not limited to issues of gender-based violence, all forms of discrimination (including LGBTI+), poverty, housing and food insecurity and homelessness and their intersectionality with specific attention towards the effect these issues have on women and those identifying as women.

### **B. Experience Please list your experiences related to the position you are applying for with consideration to the 2.05 Eligibility criteria listed above. Please include: a. current and previous CFUW leadership positions b. other leadership positions with work, volunteer, or non-profit organizations c. highlight any strengths in governance, strategic planning, financial oversight, public policy d. your three strongest skills**

I have served as VP in the North Bay club during which time our club experienced a growing number of younger women join the club. Prior to being VP North Bay I co-chaired the Advocacy Committee during which time the co-chair, Catherine Whiting, and I were given an award from Ontario Council for our advocacy work in the community. I was also instrumental in initiating the sponsorship program to encourage new memberships from women otherwise financially unable to join the club.

I currently serve as the Executive Director of The Samaritan Centre, a non-profit in Sudbury, Ontario that hold space for care, services and community for our city's most vulnerable and at-risk citizens. In this capacity I am tasked with leading the organization, budget development,

policy creation, overseeing staffing, grant procurement, liaising with community services, promoting our organization, securing stakeholders and assisting our clients navigate care and services available to them.

My strengths are my firm and confident ability to take leadership, my conflict resolution skills and my proficiency in bridging between networks.

## **Application to the Board of Directors**

### **Board Expectations**

The Board of Directors is composed of the board president, treasurer, secretary, advocacy chair, communications chair, legislation committee chair, education committee chair, human rights and status of women committee chair and six regional directors.

Board members are expected to attend the four in-person Board meetings each year, attend any electronically held Board meetings when they are scheduled, submit reports to the Board as required and prepare for meetings by reading the required materials.

Members interested in a Board position are encouraged to read the OC Bylaws, the Board Role Descriptions and any other reference material as available on the Ontario Council website.

### **Eligibility Criteria – From the OC Bylaws (May 2019)**

#### ***Section 2 – Directors***

##### **2.04 Board Size and Positions**

The Board shall consist of fourteen members: President, Secretary, Treasurer, Advocacy Chair, Communications Chair, Legislation Committee Chair, Education Committee Chair, Status of Women and Human Rights Committee Chair, and 6 Regional Directors: one for each of Ontario North, Ontario South, Ontario West, Ontario Central, Ontario East, and Ontario Huron regions.

##### **2.05 Eligibility**

A member of the Board shall be an individual member in good standing of a CFUW Ontario Council Club. Each nominee for a Board position, shall be nominated by a Club.

The nominee for President must have served at least one (1) term on the Ontario Council Board or in a leadership position with CFUW Ontario Council.

The nominee for Regional Director must reside in the region she represents, have CFUW leadership experience and shall be nominated and elected by the Clubs in that region.

The nominee for Treasurer must have a strong working background in finance and accounting.

The nominee for Secretary should have experience in board management and record keeping.

The nominee for Communications Chair should have experience in verbal, written and electronic communications, newsletters and online mailing list management.

The nominees for Advocacy, Legislation, Education and Status of Women and Human Rights Chairs should have experience in CFUW advocacy and in government relations.

Name and Contact Information: \_\_\_\_\_

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Club: \_\_\_\_\_

Region: \_\_\_\_\_

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**President Application - additional questions**

1. What is your vision for this organization in the next 5-10 years?
2. What do you think are the three biggest challenges that this organization faces in the next 5 years?
3. Please describe your most significant accomplishment in a leadership or board position.
4. Please attach your resume

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**Note:**

1. **OC Board Nomination Form should be completed and submitted with this Board Application Form to the OC Nominations Committee Chair Pat McCutcheon at [nominations@cfuwontcouncil.org](mailto:nominations@cfuwontcouncil.org) by Feb. 29, 2020.**
2. **Copy of completed Application Form will be available to voting delegates.**