

CANDIDATE FOR CTF/FCE VICE-PRESIDENT

Stephanie McLellan (QPAT)

ELECTION STATEMENT

Advocating for members during unprecedented times is paramount and we must prepare for what lies ahead. The defense of union activism, free and fair collective bargaining, quality inclusive publicly funded education, and social justice causes, are key areas where the impact of the CTF/FCE can be felt worldwide.



The economic, personal and social well-being of our 300,000 members is at stake and being part of the solution is a priority. Significant advancements in labour rights, human rights, and gender equity have been made in the past decade, and the government needs to take more action.

We must continue to gain ground and find new ways to change the dialogue to stop the blatant lack of respect for teachers, attacks on the profession, chronic underfunding, steadily increasing incidents of violence, overall deterioration of working conditions, and loss of democracy.

It is a challenging time to be a leader, but I am up to task. I have spent my career advocating for teachers and solving problems. I look forward to finding many solutions with you in the future. Thank you and I hope to count on your support in the upcoming election.

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BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

Stephanie McLellan is currently president of the Laurier Teachers' Union (2016). She is a long-serving member of the QPAT Board of Directors (2010) and Member-at-Large of the Executive Committee (2016). She is the youngest and first female elected as LTU Director of Membership Welfare (2010).

Stephanie advocates for labour rights, gender equality, and fair collective bargaining; she has been very successful in past rounds of local negotiation. Provincial negotiations are currently very challenging in Quebec.

She obtained her B.A. specializing in translation (2003) and returned to university for a B.Ed.; she taught high school French as a Second Language, English and ERC. Stephanie was elected to the LTU Board of Directors as Director of Part-Time Teachers without full-time contracts (2003-2004) while still a non-legally qualified, non-tenured replacement teacher. Once legally qualified, she held the position of Director of Laval High Schools (2006-2010) until elected on full-time release for union duties in 2010.

Nationally, Stephanie was a QPAT delegate at the CTF AGM in Edmonton (2018); a CTF delegate at the World Congress in Bangkok (2019). She attended The Women Deliver Conference and the Women's Symposium in Vancouver in June (2019) and was also registered for this year's symposium in Toronto.