

Greetings! I am grateful to Mackenzie Gray and Joyce Robbins for supporting my nomination. I am a member of the Disability and Women's Committees who now feels impassioned to serve as a Board Director. 6.2 million Canadians are disabled, and with the passing of the Accessible Canada Act in 2019, it is time to improve workplace accessibility for our all members. I will focus on reigniting the Disability Committee which needs a Chair who sits on the board. I intend to fill that vacancy. As a plus-size woman, over fifty with a disability, I know personally that more effort is essential to improve inclusion, diversity, and working conditions. Changes are needed to our bylaws to ensure that **all** members have an inclusive and accessible employment environment. Many of our members have physical, sensory, cognitive, neurodiverse impairments and chronic illnesses. Disabilities can be complex and diverse but some things are simple. For example, our own UBCP office does not have a "push to open activation switch," on the building entrance, office or washroom doors. I'll start there. If you know me, you know I don't mince words. I shoot straight from the heart and I'm a workhorse who gets things done. If you don't know me, I look forward to meeting you, to share in your successes, to hear your concerns and to work collaboratively towards win-win solutions. I'm asking for your vote so I can be of service to you and our fellow members. Please vote!

In solidarity,

Yvette