

CANDIDATE PROFILE

NAME: David Gates

POSITION BEING SOUGHT: Delegate to 2016 Unifor Constitutional Convention

LENGTH OF TIME WITHIN THE UNION: 27 years

UNION EXPERIENCE:

Elected Unifor Local 2289 President - July / 2014 - Present

Elected Chairperson of Unifor Atlantic Communication Locals (UACL) Council – May / 2015 – Present Attended Unifor Federal Lobby as UACL Representative – February / 2016 – Ottawa, Ont. Selected as a regional representative for 2016 Unifor Constitutional Convention Election Committee – August / 2015

Attended Unifor Collective Bargaining Course – October / 2015 – Port Elgin, Ont.

Attended 2015 Unifor Canadian Council as Local 2289 delegate – August / 2015 – Montreal, PQ.

Attended 2015 Unifor Atlantic Council as Local 2289 delegate – May / 2015 – Saint John, NB.

Attended Unifor Presidents Conference as Local 2289 delegate – April / 2015 – Port Elgin, Ont.

Attended 2014 Unifor Canadian Council as Local 2289 delegate – September / 2014 – Vancouver, BC.

WORK HISTORY: Network Technician for 25 years, worked primarily at the North Street Toll office location, Halifax, NS, working in various workgroups including CRC, Broadcast Services, and the Wireless Group.

COMMENTS: The Unifor Constitutional Convention, being held in Ottawa this year, is an important event for both the National Unifor organization and our Unifor Local. The Unifor Constitutional Convention is held every three years and is the opportunity for all Unifor Locals to propose amendments to the Unifor Constitution. The attending Unifor Local delegates will be voting on those proposed constitutional changes, as well as for the nominees to the Unifor National executive election. It is also a venue for union delegates to meet and discuss, and exchange ideas with other Unifor Local delegates as they relate to our varying unionized workplaces.