

Candidate Statement

Hello,

My name is Christine Benko, and I am running to become the Support Staff representative on NLC's Board of Governors.

My history at NLC goes back to elementary school when I watched Stage North perform in what used to be the multipurpose space (room 202) and made my pen cup in the pottery studio (now UNBC). I was also a student in the Business Management program in the mid-1990s, which prepared me for a 25-year career in accounting and management in various small business and non-profit environments.

My 4.5 years in Campus Services under the Office of the Registrar, which many consider one of the main hubs of activity and communication on campus, have provided me with a wealth of understanding of our students' and community's needs for educational services that meet their needs when and where they need them.

Being in Campus Services has allowed me to connect with colleagues across various departments and campuses. From discussing their workplace concerns to clarifying processes and decision-making from the Campus Services perspective, I have seen how we, as an institution, can work better together to enhance the student journey.

Should you, the voter, give me the opportunity, I look forward to interacting at the board level to represent support staff, expand my understanding of the board's decision-making, express my concerns, and ask questions when needed.

Thank you for your consideration.