

**AVUTA General Election  
April 12, 2017  
Candidate Statements**

Names are listed in the order of the 2016-2017 CTA Alphabet:

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**AVUTA**

Campaign statements have been received from candidates for office for 2017-2019.

**First Vice President**

KROFT, KRISTY - I am proud to serve as the First Vice-President of AVUTA. I've been an AVUTA member since 2004 and on the board since 2007. I have had many positions on both Rep Council and Exec Board and think my current position is a good fit. During my tenure, as First Vice-President, we have built a stronger union, even when making difficult decisions and leading our members during negotiations for better pay and insurance coverage. I'm currently a member of the Organizing and Negotiations Committees. I ask for your vote because I want to continue to improve our union and our standings in the community. We must stay on track to building the strongest union for the future of AVUTA.

**Recording Secretary**

ARNT, LANCE - My name is Lance Arnt, and I am running for the position of recording secretary. I have previously served on executive board for nearly 30 years, including as president and treasurer, and I am one of the founding directors of the High Desert trust. I will serve all of AVUTA's members fairly because although I am a high school teacher, my wife, Anne, is an elementary teacher at Vanguard, and I feel that gives me a broader perspective as to the needs of all of our bargaining unit members. I am running for this position because we need to improve communication to our members, and to work hard to gain compensation parity with other nearby districts. Please vote for me, Lance Arnt, to be your AVUTA recording secretary.

## **Treasurer**

ROLAND, MICHELLE - I am honored to run for the position of Treasurer and look forward to the opportunity to serve AVUTA in new ways. As the current AVUTA recording secretary I have gained experience and knowledge with executive Board, Representative Council, and in AVUTA's Committees. I have served AVUTA as a Site Representative, elected Segment Director, and currently I am the Recording Secretary. I also have been apart of the Organizing Committee, and It's a Gas Representative. .

I believe I will continue to be a valuable asset to AVUTA as Treasurer. I have extensive experience working with finances and treasury related responsibilities. Some of my experiences relevant to Treasurer consists of; Treasurer of a women's ministry group, managing the finances and grants of a non-profit organization with an annual operating budget of over \$75,000, as well as running and managing payroll and accounts payable for ELCOM Systems for over 10 years. I have energy and passion to serve AVUTA and make a difference for our members. I can not think of a better way to integrate my passion, knowledge, and dedication to serve AVUTA.

## **Executive Board Member at Large**

KELLY, WENDY - My name is Wendy Kelly and I have been an AVUTA union member and teacher for 28 years.

I am currently serving as an Executive Board Member at Large as well as Vice-Chair of our Grievance Committee, and have served as a PS-8 Segment Director and a site rep in prior years. Throughout this time I have dutifully attended Rep Council, Executive Board, and Grievance Committee meetings, and would welcome the opportunity to continue to serve as an Executive Board Member at Large. In doing so, I will continue to make informed decisions as a member of our Executive Board and advocate for our best interests.

Please consider me for this position.

Thank you!