

Committee: **London Hydro Board of Directors**

Name: **Michael Parkinson**

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Occupation: **Bus Operator**

Work experience: **London Transit Bus Operator (1988 - Present) A.T.U. Secretary-Treasurer (2006-10) London & District Labour Council Treasurer (2007 - Present) Provincial Election Campaign Manager (2007) O.F.L. Alternate Vice-President of Small Affiliates (2009-Present) A.T.U. Operations Representative (2003-05) A.T.U. Attendance Management Specialist (2003-08) A.T.U. Canadian Council Alternate (2009-10) C.L.C. Municipal Election Coordinator (2010) C.L.C. Federal Election Coordinator (2011)**
Education: **Fanshawe College Graduate (automotive) C.L.C. Collective Bargaining (2005) O.F.L. WSIB Levels 1, 2, 3 (2005) A.T.U. Secretary - Treasurer Training (2006) Simply Accounting Basics Course (2007) A.T.U. Labour Law (2008) A.T.U. Contract Costing (2008) A.T.U. Benefits Costing (2008) C.L.C. Labour Council Leadership Levels 1 & 2 (2008, 2010) C.L.C. website Design (2009) C.L.C. Labour Education Instructor Training (July 2011) Currently on the Board of Directors of Alltrans Financial Services Credit Union since 2014**

Skills: **As a past and present Treasurer of large organizations, I am able to understand the budget process. I also know how to work in a political environment. As a provincial election campaign manager, I was able to motivate workers and volunteers from the general public. I am a great team player. I contribute to a discussion and I also am able to appreciate the contributions of others.**

Interest reason: **I come from a public minded family. My Mother was a London School Board Trustee for 23 years. My Father was an Auxiliary Police Officer for 12 years. I am presently a delegate to the Western Fair Association representing the London and District Labour Council. I believe that a citizen of a community has the obligation to contribute to that community. The London Hydro Board has a direct influence on the everyday lives of Londoners. I would like to help London move into the future.**

Contributions: **With my experience in contract negotiations, I believe that I can bring knowledge and understanding when dealing with collective agreements and issues of them. My Treasurer's experience will bring my understanding budgeting process to the table. I also believe that I can contribute in setting a course into the future of London Hydro.**

Past contributions: **I was a member of the 2010 London City Council Compensation Review Taskforce. During time with the taskforce, I was very interested in the ideas and opinions of the other members. I feel that I was able to contribute to the discussion and help complete the mandate that was set out by City Council. As a member of the London and District Labour Council, I am able work with the public as well as other delegates within the council.**

Interpersonal: **I have served on two collective agreement negotiation teams for my Union. While this process can be seen as adversarial, I believe that in the end the management negotiators would agree that I was fair and well meaning in my deportment. I am an on-road trainer with London Transit. I instruct, critique and encourage new operators during their "in service" training. As a provincial campaign manager, I had to be able to motivate, instruct and show appreciation to the many volunteers and team members. I had to be able to schedule and chair meetings, schedule the candidate's events and make sure that the logistics were carried out. While the campaign was very intense, I was able to keep the campaign as intact at the end as it was in the beginning. I am proud of that.**

Interview interest: **Yes**