Committee: London Public Library Board

Organization/Sector represented:

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Occupation: Residence Manager

Work experience: Member of a management team that supervises 20 residence life staff and 15 residence desk staff members. Coordinator of our academic residence initiative that rewards academic success and those willing to develop their academic skill sets by using campus resources. Lead the engagement strategies aimed at the residence population. These strategies entailed the management of the social media accounts, monthly academic newsletter and monthly social events geared towards the residents. Involved in implementation of health and wellness and sexual violence training with residence staff members.

Education: Holistic Narrative Career Professional (Certification) French(FSL) Beginners Lvl 1 & 2 College Boreal, London, Ontario M.A., Clinical Mental Health Counselling, Medaille College, Buffalo, N.Y B.A., Psychology, Western University, London, ON Skills: For a year, I worked at the King's University College Cardinal Carter Library as a circulation assistant. I am familiar with the various aspects of the customer service experience in a library context.

Interest reason: I and my 7-year-old daughter are frequent users of the various libraries around London. I have a vested interest in seeing the libraries of London succeed and thrive with new opportunities to engage the two of us and our fellow Londoners. My daughter was quite interested in the summer book club and was eager to provide a knock knock joke and talk about the books she read to acquire her prize ballots. Needless to say, she would happy to see initiatives like that return.

Contributions: As mentioned before, my previous experience as a library staff member allows me to appreciate the goal to broaden access to the greatest number of people while at the same time being fiscally responsible. My current role requires me to look my various projects. Assess broad strokes to ensure the finer behind the scene details makes the overall objective succeed.

Past contributions: I was a condo board member for 8 years, serving as President for two years. It was imperative to ensure we achieved the best contractor plans to meet the needs of the owners while maintaining and improving our complex without being overzealous with our operating budget. I was Vice-chair for the London Block Parent Organization. I applied a lens based on operational management to address the staffing challenges of a non-profit organization which predominately relied on volunteers while achieving an ambitious strategic plan.

Interpersonal: The organizations I worked in previously all required collaborative efforts as no single individual had authority to execute a broad plan of action. Therefore, matters required compromise and consensus to achieve our objectives.

Interview interest: Yes