

Committee: **London Public Library Board**

Organization/Sector represented: **Non-profit**

Name: **Dave Ward**

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Occupation: **General Manager - Member Experience YMCA of Western Ontario**

Work experience: **I currently do strategic consultation for our \$19 million/year Health, Fitness and Aquatics branches of the YMCA. I spend most of my time facilitating trainings, organizing strategy and directing implementation of policy to improve our operations.**

Education: **Starting an executive MBA with the Ivey Business School at Western this Fall. Executive Management Course Degroote McMaster 2016 Masters of Education Western 2014 Bachelor of Education Nipissing 2010 Bachelor of Arts - History and English Western 2009**

Skills: **I have a breadth of experience and knowledge in a range of business areas thanks to my current role - including marketing and communication, development, human resources and more. My academic background focused on equity and social justice so I bring that lens to all my endeavours.**

Interest reason: **I think my ongoing education demonstrates a desire to keep learning and growing and this is another opportunity for me to do so. My work with the non-profit community has given me an intense desire to give back to my community. Since deciding to stay in London following my undergraduate degree I have fallen in love with the city and would like to contribute in any way I can to building strong institutions here.**

Contributions: **My colleagues describe my greatest asset as being able to look at things differently than most other people. I believe I can bring unique perspective and serve the board's strategic direction by asking questions, learning more and building consensus - which is a skill I continue to develop and exercise at work everyday.**

Past contributions: **Director, Crest Support Services Board Executive, Old South Business Association**

Interpersonal: **I interact with 45 senior staff at the Y over whom I have no direct authority but must share ideas and facilitate sharing opinions and then drive everyone towards consensus and best practices on a daily basis.**

Interview interest: **Yes**