

Committee: **London Public Library Board**

Organization/Sector represented:

Name: **Paul Wilton**

Occupation: **Admissions and Liaison Officer**

Work experience: **I worked for five years at Royal Bank of Canada in customer assistance role and am currently employed by King's University College as an Admissions and Liaison Officer.**

Education: **I have an honors BA in Political Science and History as well as a B.Ed. I have recently completed a MPA focusing on local government from Western University. I have completed a certificate in Not-For-Profit governance through Queens University.**

Skills: **I have a keen interest in governance. I have experience in updating by-laws, writing governance policies, and amalgamating two not-for-profits.**

Interest reason: **I think the Library can be the heart of a community. Its a place a lot of people go to feel like they belong. It's a community meeting place where you can meet others and be exposed to new ideas. Libraries help build social capital in our city that helps build bonds that tie a community together. If I have skills that are a match with this board's needs I would be very please to help the library work towards achieving its mission.**

Contributions: **I think I can provide the perspective of someone who is experienced with boards outside of the library board and of someone who is engaged in the community.**

Past contributions: **I was President of a provincial not-for-profit for five years where I lead a process to reach a renewed funding agreement with the provincial government and initiated development of a member engagement strategy. I am currently President of a national Not-For-Profit in which we are reviewing our committee structure. I currently serve on the Board of King's University College where I sit on the Governance Task Force. I have experience and training in Strategic Planning. In 2014, I presented to a conference on a unique strategic planning approach for national Not-for-profits with separately incorporated provincial chapters.**

Interpersonal: **My board experience has taught me the importance of listening to and valuing the diverse perspectives of others. When we discuss ideas and respectfully scrutinize ideas it leads to better policy decisions. I have learned the importance of reaching out to stakeholders to learn their needs and suggestions on how to improve service.**

Interview interest: **Yes**