

Letter from President



Does anyone else feel like September is sort of like a “January”? Summer has come to an end; it’s time to start new routines of kids going back to school, work starting to pick back, and holidays coming to an end? Even as I write this, it is bittersweet. I never saw myself as a writer; I usually was more of a visual creative person. By taking on this role of the EWI of Saskatoon President for the 2018 – 2019 year, I had to get better at stepping outside my comfort zone and doing

a monthly write up each month. Don’t tell anyone but I may just miss it a little bit!

However, this year had its challenges, I have learned so much about my board, EWI and myself through this process. I have also learned that there are still things I need to work on as a leader, friend, and professional and I am happy that I have EWI to assist me through their monthly webinars and monthly meetings.

I wanted to take this opportunity to say a BIG HEARTFELT THANK YOU to my Board. This year wouldn’t not have been the same without you!

Michelle Busa, Vice President/ President Elect: Thank you for all your work, taking on the extra responsibility of the Communications Director, dealing with the website and getting these connects out each month. Also for kicking my butt in gear to get these write ups done each month and being a great editor!

Shirley Bonnetrouge, Secretary (Nov – Mar): Thank you Shirley for stepping up to assist us as Secretary this year, unfortunately Shirley was not able to join us for the full year, but she was a great asset to our team and had great ideas and passion which was contagious.

Char Weightman,

Recruitment & Retention: Thank you Char, I have had a great time getting to know you this year! We have learned a lot about EWI and working alongside Corporate and wanted to thank you for serving on the board this year.

Amanda Medvid,

Communications (Nov – Feb): Thank you Amanda for your creativity and knowledge that you brought to our board! I know with working outside of town it had its challenges and with your position change, you had to step down in February.

TJ Keller, Program: Thank you TJ for all your hard work on finding us speakers and venues this year, your organization and out of the box thinking with speakers selection gave us a great year of wide spread information which I know our membership really appreciated.

Susan Mowat, Ways & Means: Thank you Susan for all your hard work this year

helping us reach our fundraising goal, you were the first person in this role on our board and you did a great job with planning the steak night and are always there to lend a helping hand, it has been a pleasure working with you this year.

Serena Dallas, Director at Large: Thank you Serena for your insight this year, it was truly appreciated.

Joy Crawford, ASIST Chair: Thank you Joy for all your support this year and insight in helping us get our ASSIST program underway, this is not an easy task and your knowledge is greatly appreciated, not only with our program but with you network and experience.

Alisa Thompson, Advisor: Thank you Alisa for being our advisor this year, you have had busy year but we can always count on your support for this organization and our chapter. This year wouldn't have been as memorable without these ladies a well as our member and guests I have met along the way! I look forward to my upcoming year as Advisor and another great year with EWI of Saskatoon.

Keep Smiling! Cheers!

Sandra Miller
EWI of Saskatoon President 2018-2019



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2018-2019 President

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Alisa Thompspon

Nominating Committee Report

The Chapter Nominating Committee is pleased at the overall willingness of the membership to step into Chapter Board service for the upcoming 2019-2020 term.

We feel confident that these individuals are highly qualified members that will continue to strive to grow the organization and serve our chapter in a professional manner with clarity and transparency. It is our pleasure to announce the following proposed slate for our 2019-2020 Chapter Board of Directors.

This Proposed Slate was determined by the 2018-2019 Chapter Nominating Committee (elected during the June 2019 Business Meeting) at a meeting on September 11 wherein 3 of the committee members were present.

Position	Nominee	Firm
President	Michelle Busa	READ Saskatoon
Vice President/ President Elect	Darlene Biggins	Independent
Secretary	Fran Seidler	Hillcrest Funeral Home
Treasurer	TBD	
Sergeant-At-Arms	Jennelle Wignes-Haaland	ClearTech Industries
Program Director	Karen Skirten	Sable Consulting
Recruitment & Retention Director	Susan Mowat	ClearTech Industries
Communications	TBD	
ASIST Chair	Joy Crawford	Edward Jones
Ways & Means Director	Will Not Be Filled	
Director at Large	Sherry Buziak	MOBO Promotional Solutions
Advisor	Sandra Miller	Transition Member

Due to the smaller size of our membership, we will not have a full board. The committee felt the size of the board should reflect the size of our membership.

EWI believes that changing positions in a board each year provides professional development opportunities for members. Therefore, each year we try to move people around to balance their interests and skill sets as well as add in new faces.

As set forth in our procedures, John Maxwell's: The 21 Indispensable Qualities of a Leader were utilized to review and evaluate the candidates combined with Chapter and business experience and other organizational experience.

Please join the Nominating Committee members in extending congratulations to the 2019-2020 Corporate Board Nominees and their firms. We appreciate their dedication to the mission and goals of EWI, their willingness to serve in these leadership positions and appreciate the continued support of their firms.

Respectfully submitted,

Michelle Busa, 2018-2019
Vice President/President
Elect

Jennelle Wignes-Haaland,
Member

Sherry Buziak, Member

DATES TO NOTE

October 16th

Dinner Meeting
Riviera Event Center

November 20th

Dinner Meeting – Business
Dinner!
TBD

Hillcrest Funeral Home & Reception Center

Annual *Sip n' Shop*

Wednesday, November 13th, 2019

5:00 pm - 8:30 pm

210 Wess Road Saskatoon, SK

(306) 477-4400

Local Business Vendors
Complimentary Wine & Cheese
Door Prizes



\$5.00 Entry Fee



Proceeds to:

**Ronald McDonald
House Charities***
Saskatchewan



JOIN US! Wednesday, October 16th



Susan is a 'Thinking Into Results' Consultant, a mind-set development coach and mentor with the Proctor Gallagher Institute.

Susan believes we are all designed to create and live a life that we love. When we go inside and surrender to our inner knowing, we can find solutions to our problems and achieve far greater goals.

Susan is grateful for the opportunity to teach people how to use their intellectual faculties to achieve and live the results they desire; essentially, thinking into results all the time.

Guests Welcome!

DINNER MEETING

@Riviera Event Centre
2001 Avenue B N

5:00pm—Networking
6:00pm—Dinner
6:45pm—Program
7:30—Adjourn

Cost:

\$45/Members
\$50/Guest

Register by October 13th at
ewiofsaskatoon.com

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