



2021 NOMINATION FOR OFFICE

Name Doug Singsen

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Name of Local TAUWP

Local # 3535 How long a member of the union 2 years

Office desired (circle one):

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| President | PK-12 Vice President | State Employees Vice President |
| Secretary | WTCS Vice President | PSRP Vice President |
| Treasurer | University Vice President | Graduate Employees Vice President |
| Regional Vice President (3 - Northern, Eastern, West/Central) | | Retiree Council Vice President |

Positions held in local Founded Parkside United for the Liberation of Learning (PULL), the Parkside chapter of

Local 3535

Activities with AFL-CIO affiliates: Local/State/National _____

Political activities _____

Educational background BA, Haverford College; PhD, City University of New York

Profession Associate Professor, UW-Parkside

Location Kenosha County

Other activities and qualifications _____

This is to certify that the above-named candidate has been nominated for office in accordance with the Constitution of AFT-Wisconsin. Please indicate the procedure used in nominating the candidate on page two of this form.

Candidates may submit a position paper of no more than 300 words on why he/she is seeking a position on the AFT-Wisconsin Executive Board to be posted on the AFT-Wisconsin website. This must be submitted electronically to Kathy Kreul at kreul@aft-wisconsin.org no later than Sunday, September 19, 2021.

As a candidate for office in AFT-Wisconsin, I will not engage in name calling, whisper campaigns, slander, libel or other inappropriate tactics. I will conduct a clean campaign that operates in a dignified and respectable manner that befits our union. I will instruct my supporters that they should do the same.

✓ Signature  Date: 9/28/21

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Officer signature

Officer title

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Marcus Cederstrom - UFAS, AFT Local #223

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Josh Garoon, UFAS

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✓ Dan Martin Local 3535

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✓ Alexi Brooks (Stout United)

✓ Innisfree McKinnon (Stout United)

✓ Abraham Smith (Stout United)

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(per Doug) Eric Lohman, 3535 _____

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✓ *Monica J. Berrier* _____

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Candidate statement for Doug Singsen:

Below is my nomination statement for the AFTW Executive Board. I will be submitting my nomination papers within the next two weeks.

I am running for a seat on the Executive Board of AFT-Wisconsin because this union needs to do a better job of supporting and listening to its members and locals. AFTW talks about implementing the organizing model yet all too often withholds access to basic tools and resources or makes it unnecessarily difficult to access them. If I am elected to the Executive Board, I will work to ensure that AFTW implements the organizing model it espouses, that locals understand what resources are available to them, and that AFTW actually delivers on making those resources available.

I will also work hard to make sure that members' voices are heard in AFTW. Time after time, when members and locals bring their organizing ideas to AFTW, the response they receive is "no," followed by a series of paper-thin rationalizations, none of them convincing. If I am elected to the Executive Board, I will use this position to amplify the voices of locals and rank-and-file members and make sure that they get the help they need with their organizing priorities. I will also strive to make the inner workings of AFTW as transparent as possible so that we can see and understand where our dues are going and that they are being used to support organizing in our workplaces.

I first became active in the labor movement as a graduate student at the City University of New York, where I was a member of PSC-CUNY. While there, I fought against budget cuts and for pay equity and workers' rights for adjuncts and other contingent workers. Since 2014 I have taught the history of art, design, and visual culture at UW-Parkside. I joined Local 3535 in 2019 and last year launched an organizing committee at Parkside. I have also recruited UWM instructors to join Local 3535 and begin organizing on their campus and have helped to relaunch Local 3535 as an active local after not holding meetings for several years. I am a founding member of the REWIRE caucus and helped draft its platform for AFTW.