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I am running for EMU-AAUP Executive Board Member-at-Large as part of The Democratic Slate along with Judy, Ken, Mahmud, and Charles. We stand for a democratic union, the expanding and deepening of shared governance, and the return to "local control," which means department/school control of curriculum and workloads.

I am a labor scholar with expertise in union organizing, race and gender equality in the workplace, and organizational change. My current research project—supported by the Kevin Ruble Fellowship at Rutgers University, School of Management and Labor Relations—focuses on workplace democracy at unionized worker-owned businesses.

Here at EMU, I am most proud of my work addressing gendered harassment in our classrooms. Toward these ends, I initiated a successful faculty senate resolution and participated in the student issues committee of the bargaining council. I also have experience as an on-campus organizer for UE 150 Public Service Workers union at NC State. Since moving to Ypsilanti, I have been consistently active in the local labor movement. Through Academic Service-Learning, my students and I have built and strengthened relationships within the communities in which we are all embedded.

In the current climate of right-to-work and receding resources for public universities, I believe the faculty will be well-served by an executive board member who will take the long view, situate our struggles within the broader historical and political context, and offer evidence-based union strategies that will make EMU a great place to work.

Labor Unions

Bargaining council – Student Issues committee

UE 150 Public Service Workers' Union Organizer at North Carolina State University

Washtenaw Community Action Team (WCAT) – Steering Committee

University

Faculty Senate representative – Women's and Gender Studies (WGST)

Faculty Senate representative – Sociology, Anthropology, and Criminology (SAC)

Department

Sociology Curriculum Committee Chair

Graduate Curriculum Committee (SAC)

Academic Service-Learning Community Partnerships

Ann Arbor Solidarity with Farmworkers Collective (A2SFC)

Business Side of Youth (B-Side)

Coalition of Immokalee Workers (CIW)

EMU-AAUP

First Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Ann Arbor

Parkridge Community Center

Washtenaw Foreclosure and Eviction Defense (WFED)

Washtenaw Community Action Team (WCAT)