## Hello all;

The time has come again that we ask each of you to take a few minutes and determine who would best champion the issues affecting the Engineering profession and I am asking you to consider me to do this in the role of Western Regional Councilor. Why me?

- We need to improve the perceived value in the Engineering License, both with the
  general public and, most importantly, with the membership itself. I strongly believe that
  the chapters are the key to this. I intend to use my experience to help ensure that the
  chapters can continue to contribute in a meaningful and realistic way in the new
  governance model.
- I believe there needs to be fewer barriers for new license applicants. I have been
  working with the licensing committee to help address and remove some of these
  barriers. Unfortunately, under the new governance model, the licensing committee's
  days are limited. I intend to ensure that the valuable work they are doing is continued.
- Member engagement is extremely low. Under the new governance model, the current council has managed to restructure itself into an ivory tower. I believe this must be addressed as it can only result in further reducing the level of member engagement.

I come with over 20 years of volunteering for the PEO, not only within two separate chapters but on council, and various task forces and committees as well. This experience I feel is crucial to effectively address these issues and, if you allow me, I will continue to fight to ensure that your voices are heard.

If you wish to discuss these or anything other item, please come to my facebook page @WK4PEOWRC or contact me directly by e-mail at <a href="https://www.wkershaw@kpaeng.ca">wkershaw@kpaeng.ca</a>.

Thank you

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