

# Steering Committee of the Boston Sisters in the Brotherhood

It is our mission to galvanize women leaders within NERCC, actively promote skill enhancement, work to increase market share and improve retention, advocate for women's issues and develop leadership for the next generation.

**Vote for Chair and Co-Chair on Tuesday June 18th at 5pm, 750 Dorchester Ave 3rd Floor.**



## Nominee for Chair - Vote 6/18

**Marcia William-White** As a 9 year member of Local 327, I have gained an array of on the job skills and completed numerous classes provided by the training fund. Upon graduating from the apprenticeship program in 2014, I was awarded the Zachery Constant Award for Community and Union development. As a mother, grandmother, artist, community activist and business owner, I have strong leadership skills and a stellar work ethic. I pledge with heartfelt conviction to always do my best to understand the needs of our team as well as the need of the Sisters and all we shall serve. It is with dignity and respect for the work that we do that I seek your vote for chair of Sisters in the Brotherhood.



## Nominee for Chair - Vote 6/18

**Keisha Campbell** has been a proud carpenter for 21 years. She is a Steward and serves as a member of the Executive Board of Local 327.

“Serving as Chair would be an honor and I look forward to the opportunity. As Chair I will make myself available to the women of the Sisters in the Brotherhood and I will do all that I can to assist with on the job issues, and provide mentorship that promotes hard work and opportunity for all our members.”



## Nominee for Co-Chair - Vote 6/18

**Alexa Holmes** is a 22 year member of Local 328.

“Concerned with labor rights generally and our union in particular, I became active with Sisters in the Brotherhood in 2012 and have tried always to take part in UPP events. I have experience with political activism independent of our union, having worked with groups on prisoner rights and minimum wage. If elected as the Co-Chair, I will work to see ordinary members more involved and more able to influence the political efforts of the UBC. Politics in the US being what they are now, women’s rights are likely to be dangerously diminished and the accomplishments of past Civil Rights advocates discarded. So now is the time to be loud together - to make sure our voices are heard and to gain influence ourselves.



## Nominee for Co-Chair - Vote 6/18

**Jacquelyn McGurn** is 4th year apprentice in local 327.

“It would be a great honor to be elected as Co-Chair of the sisters in the brotherhood steering committee. I believe in the change and growth of the group. Having been in the union for four and a half years I can add a fresh outlook to the Sisters in the Brotherhood. Most of my work experience in the union has been concrete form work which shows my hard work ethic. I am dedicated to the women in the industry and I feel leading by example would help with the expectations for the new apprentices. I’m very excited to see the impact we will have going forward with this group of hardworking women. Give McGurn a turn.”



## Education and Development Advocate

**Mikey Myles** has been a carpenter since 1998. She is a licensed contractor and the director of a nonprofit organization that serves at-risk females.

“I have always represented female participation on projects. I am actively involved in my community. I am politically engaged. I support politicians that support our core values: employment, family, education and housing. I am an active member in the Union. As the Education and Development Advocate I will continue supporting and guiding the next generation of women leaders to be successful and committed members of the carpenters union.”



## Recording Secretary

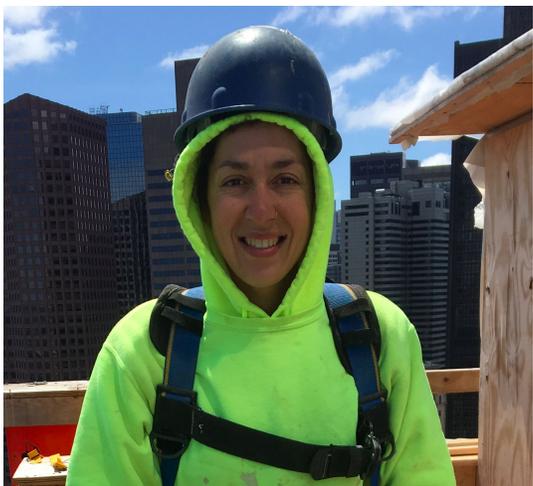
My name is **Barbara Surujbally**. I have been an active member of my local, 328, and in the Sisters in the Brotherhood, for the past four year. I think I will be a good fit for the job of recording secretary because I am organized and multi-task well. I get along with everybody and can be an impartial point of view at all times.



## NERCC Staff Coordinator

**Liz Skidmore**, Business Rep/Organizer for NERCC, will serve in the Staff Coordinator position, appointed by EST Tom Flynn. A 30 year member with 20 years on staff, Liz helped found Sisters in the Brotherhood in 1998 and has chaired it since.

"I am excited about the SIB Steering Committee and about backing the rank-and-file Sisters in these new leadership positions. I look forward to continuing our 20-year tradition of an inclusive, supportive and active Sisters Committee and to busting into new territory made possible by having diverse, strong women stepping up, being visible leaders, and getting more members involved. It's an exciting time for SIB!"



## Political Coordinator

Originally from Boston and currently living in Revere, **Andrea Brayboy** is a journeyman with S&F Concrete and a 6 year member of Local 328. She serves as a NERCC Delegate for her local as well as team leader and interviewer for the apprenticeship program. Andrea looks forward to the role of Political Coordinator because she is interested in working together with new and seasoned sisters to strengthen our union through political action.



## Mentoring and Retention Coordinator

**Jessica Lambert** is a 4th year apprentice in the Floor Coverers Local 2168. She has a degree in early childhood education and is licensed to teach in the state of Massachusetts.

“I worked as a waitress, bartender, and restaurant manager for 18 years while earning my degree. After nine years I contemplated going back to school to get my Masters Degree in Mathematics but I decided to apply to the Carpenter's Union instead. I figured that I could put my math skills to use through hands-on work while making a decent living to support myself and my 16 year-old daughter. I want to welcome new apprentices into the Carpenter's Union. It's not always easy but if they have support from the Sisters in the Brotherhood than I believe we can get them to stay in the union and enjoy what they do.”



## Outreach Coordinator

My name is **Theresa Haymon**, and I have been an active member of LU 327 for 22 years and involved in the Sisters in the Brotherhood for 20 years. I have mentored male and female apprentices for the last 7 years. I have attended numerous conferences and trainings at the ITC in Las Vegas for leadership roles. I previously was a part-time instructor, where I taught fall protection at the Dorchester training center and was a Outreach Specialist for the Apprenticeship in Millbury. I am excited to be your Outreach Coordinator and to continue to work with all my sisters as we come together and continue our success.



## Social Media and Events Coordinator

**Samantha Webster**, LU 327, is a foreman working for New England Finish Systems. She has been running metal framing and drywall crews since October 2017. Coming from a background of music performance and country living, Samantha easily transferred the hands-on, teaching, performing, and people skills from those areas over to the construction world. She joined the union in 2012 working originally for Lee Kennedy but wanted to join a company with more challenging work and the opportunity to learn as much as possible before becoming a journeyman. “Growing up with Myspace, Facebook, and Instagram I am very familiar with social media and its ability to get information out.”