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OTF ELECTS NEW PRESIDENT

TORONTO, September 6, 2016 — On August 23, 2016, the Ontario Teachers' Federation (OTF) Board of Governors elected Owen Sound teacher, Michael Foulds, as the 73rd President of the Ontario Teachers' Federation at its Annual Meeting in Toronto.

Foulds, a member of the Ontario Secondary School Teachers' Federation (OSSTF), has served in several roles, both locally and provincially, since 2004. He has been on the OTF Board of Governors since 2009.

Foulds graduated from Laurentian University with a bachelor's degree in history and ethics in 1998. He has taught with the Bluewater District School Board in the secondary system since 2001. He now teaches in some of the same schools that he attended as a student. Foulds is a coach of high school athletics and community-based teams. In 2015, he received the prestigious Loran Teachers Building Leaders Award from the Loran Scholars Foundation.

"OTF has an important role to play in Ontario's education system," states Foulds. "OTF provides a unified voice for teachers and the highest quality professional development, and safeguards the Ontario Teachers' Pension Plan as a partner in the Plan."

Also elected at the same meeting were

Past President:	Anne Vinet-Roy, Timmins
First Vice-President:	Chris Cowley, Brantford
Second Vice-President:	Diane Dewing, Kemptville

The Ontario Teachers' Federation is the advocate for the teaching profession in Ontario and for its 160,000 teachers. OTF members are full-time, part-time and occasional teachers in all the publicly funded schools in the province—elementary, secondary, public, Catholic and francophone.

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