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Owen Sound teacher elected OTF President

TORONTO, August 22, 2024—On August 20, 2024, the Ontario Teachers' Federation (OTF) Board of Governors elected Owen Sound teacher, Michael Foulds, as the 81st 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 and served as OTF's 73rd President in 2016.

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 as a secondary teacher since 2001. He now teaches in some of the same schools that he attended as a student. Foulds coaches high school athletics and community-based teams. In 2015, he received the prestigious *Loran Teachers Building Leaders Award* from the Loran Scholars Foundation.

Foulds remarks that, "OTF has an important role to play in our education system. As president once again, I will make certain that OTF continues to provide a unified voice for teachers, enhance their profession and uphold the pension promise."

Also elected at the same meeting were:

Past President:	Yves Durocher, Leamington
First Vice-President:	Andrew Robertson, Georgetown
Second Vice-President:	Nathan Core, Waterloo

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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