



**Canadian Association of Second Language Teachers
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CASLT ANNOUNCES 2021-2022 BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND NATIONAL COUNCIL

Ottawa, October 5, 2021 – The Canadian Association of Second Language Teachers (CASLT) is delighted to announce its new Board of Directors and National Council following its annual general meeting held on October 1, 2021. CASLT's Board of Directors provides leadership for carrying out CASLT's vision for excellence in language teaching. National Council representatives support CASLT activities and initiatives in their respective regions.

Board of Directors

Carole Bonin, Curriculum Consultant, Pedagogy for Additional Languages at the Louis Riel School Division, was elected President of CASLT. She succeeds **Gillian Blackmore**, Program Specialist (French Programs) with the Newfoundland and Labrador English School District, whose two-year mandate as President has finished and who will now move to the role of Past President.

The CASLT Board of Directors also welcomes one new member in **Trish Kolber**. Trish is a Modern Language Consultant supporting teaching, learning, and programming for teachers of French, Spanish, Mandarin, and Japanese in the Vancouver School Board. Prior to this, she taught French, French Immersion, Spanish, and English as an Additional Language (EAL) for 30 years.

CASLT congratulates Carole, Trish, and the other members of its 2021-2022 Board of Directors. CASLT also thanks its two outgoing Board members, Chantal Lafargue and Maureen Smith, for their contributions and dedication to the association.

2021-2022 CASLT Board of Directors:

- President: Carole Bonin
- Vice-President: Joanne Robertson
- Treasurer: Katherine Mueller
- Secretary: Yasmina Lemieux
- Director at Large: Trish Kolber
- Past President: Gillian Blackmore

National Council

CASLT's National Council (NC) consists of volunteer representatives from each province and territory who are elected by CASLT members in good standing in their respective province or territory. Among



other responsibilities, NC representatives attend meetings in a liaison role, represent CASLT at provincial or territorial language conferences and events, and encourage membership recruitment and retention. CASLT welcomes three new NC representatives for 2021-2022: Kindra Harte for British Columbia, Nicole Doré for Yukon, and Meredith McGuinnes for Manitoba. CASLT also thanks its four outgoing NC representatives: Pascale Baillargeon (Nunavut), Kathi McConnell-Hore (Manitoba), Stacey Sveistrup (British Columbia), and Pascal Saint-Laurent (Yukon).

2021-2022 CASLT National Council Representatives:

- Newfoundland and Labrador: Erin Dawe
- Prince Edward Island: Jennifer MacDonald
- Nova Scotia: Stephanie Burke
- New Brunswick: Karla Culligan
- Quebec: Philippa Parks
- Nunavut and Northwest Territories: Jeff McConomy
- Ontario: Faten Hanna
- Manitoba: Meredith McGuinnes
- Saskatchewan: Tara Dryburgh
- Alberta: Diana Boisvert
- British Columbia: Kindra Harte
- Yukon: Nicole Doré

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Since 1970, the Canadian Association of Second Language Teachers (CASLT) is dedicated to promoting the advancement of language learning and teaching throughout Canada. This is achieved by creating opportunities for professional development, by initiating and disseminating research, and by facilitating the exchange of information and ideas among language educators.

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