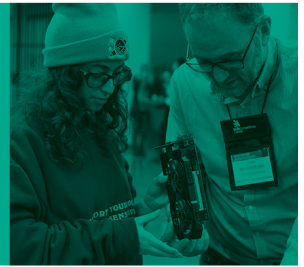


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### SKILLS/COMPÉTENCES CANADA SPOKESPEOPLE AND SPECIAL GUESTS

Please contact Michèle Rogerson, at [micheler@skillscanada.com](mailto:micheler@skillscanada.com) or 613-266-4771 to arrange for an interview or photo opportunity.

Select spokespeople are available to take part in French interviews.



#### Phil Polsom

*Member of Skills/Compétences Canada's National Board of Directors*

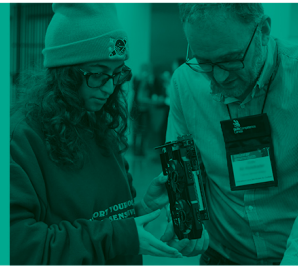
I first became involved with Skills in 2010. In 2013, I attended my first skills competition and was blown away by the level of skills the competitors were showing. It was seeing these future tradespeople that completely hooked me on what Skills means and how important it is to the future of the trades.

I joined the Skills Canada Saskatchewan board in 2014 and have been active in various positions on the local board as well as assisting with our provincial skills competitions. I have also been a representative at the Skills Canada National Competitions representing Saskatchewan on the grievance committees. I currently serve as the chair of the Skills Canada Saskatchewan Board. Being chair has allowed me to represent Skills Canada Saskatchewan on the national board. I will also be sitting in on the governance committee for the national board.

I have worked in the underground mining industry for almost 20 years before taking on my current role of Training Director for CLAC. In my current role, I am responsible for skills and safety training for our members with an additional focus on delivering entry level training for new workers looking to get into the trades. I currently hold a Certificate in Adult and Continuing Education from the University of Victoria.

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**Lawrence Somers**  
*Principal, Campus Regina Public*

This is Larry's third year as the Principal of Campus Regina Public High School, and his 11<sup>th</sup> as a Principal with Regina Public Schools. In his thirty plus years of experience, Larry has been involved in a wide variety of educational programming for students ranging in ages from early childhood through adult education. Larry is very excited to be a part of Skills/Compétences Canada and is looking forward to being involved in the Skills Canada National Competition 2025, in Regina.



**Kendra Beliveau**  
*Vice-Principal, Campus Regina Public*

Kendra Beliveau has been the Vice-Principal at Campus Regina Public (CRP) for the past two years. Prior to her administrative role, Kendra taught in the Early Childhood and Health Science programs at CRP and spent 10 years as a grade nine specialist teacher at Martin Collegiate. Last May, Kendra was able to attend the Skills Canada National Competition (SCNC) 2024, in Quebec City, where two CRP students were competing. The experience was exceptional, and she is excited to be a part of SCNC again this spring.

### Industry Partners, Sponsors and Suppliers

Industry representatives working with Skills/Compétences Canada to make NSTTW possible will be on hand to discuss skilled trade opportunities, needs and issues related to their sectors.