

Candidate Statements

Linda Burgin – CAPE Region 3; Senate District 10; Retiree

I have served on CAPE for many years. I believe our political program gives our Union strength and power. In order to accomplish this, we must work to elect qualified candidates, and once they are elected, hold them accountable.

Conducting candidate interviews, asking intelligent questions, and then discussing results with fellow CAPE members after the interviews, helps bolster our democratic process.

Twila Jacobsen – CAPE Region 4; Senate District 4; Retiree

I was elected President of the Retiree Local last May and am retired from Lane Council of Governments Senior & Disability Services after 10 years working as an options counselor. I am a union activist; been a bargaining delegate over 4 contracts and a Chair of my SEIU local. I am a long-time social and ecological justice activist and educator with a M.S. in Agricultural and Resource Economics. Coming of age on a farm in Northeast Kansas during the social ferment of the Vietnam War, civil rights and women's rights movements, I developed a yearning for gender equality, non-violent and peaceful resolutions of conflicts and social transformation. I continue my activism with Service Employees International Union Local 503 sub-local 001 as President, Board Member, former CAPE Chair and member of the Climate Justice Committee.