

District	Name of the candidate	Candidate's statement
101	Anna Bakken	<p>I am on the Conference Centers and Mail Services Engagement, Inclusion, and Diversity Committee and am running on an EID platform of values. As Rich Gassen (original participant of the first USC meeting) commented, "Shared Governance allows University Staff to participate in Cultural Events & Professional Development opportunities." These cultural events and professional development opportunities add depth, meaning, and satisfaction to employees' work-life experience. They increase employee retention and engagement. Being more fully supported and engaged at work improves quality of life across the board. A hot topic for the university is how to engage a diverse staff, and how to educate all employees on issues surrounding inclusion. In order to elevate our university to greatness, we must learn how to Think, Learn, and Act inclusively.</p> <p>Think inclusively. Seek, value and leverage different perspectives to achieve successful outcomes.</p> <p>Learn inclusively. Elicit and use feedback from all directions.</p> <p>Act inclusively. Create a shared identity with your coworkers while respecting differences.</p> <p>I look forward to listening to and advocating for the concerns of all constituents in District 101 equally, and I will openly share the information I learn in the monthly University Staff Congress meetings</p>
101	William Clifton	<p>"All Voices In The Mix!"</p> <p>My name is Will Clifton and I wish to be your 101 Representative in the University Staff Congress. I work as a Visitor Services Assistant for UW-Madison's Chazen Museum of Art. I returned to campus after being away for 5 years caregiving for both of my parents who were living with Dementia. The position I held prior to caregiving was in UW-Madison's Office for Equity and Diversity -- co-facilitating Learning Communities and co-teaching/facilitating the Student SEED Course (Seeking Educational Equity through Diversity). My professional and volunteer work has been and is, "How do we create inclusive, socially just and equitable, spaces for work, for education, for research, for any process we do together? How may we do this in a manner that provides for and brings out the best in each one of us?"</p> <p>As your 101 Representative I would constantly promote and demand all voices be in the mix: from the creation process (listening sessions and introduction of ideas), enactment of those ideas (application in the workplace, in our lives), and assessment/feedback and, finally, evaluation of the ideas and their application. Everything I would do would be done not "for" but "with" you, the 101 Staff.</p>
101	Jim Ackerman	
103	Jennifer Marino	
104	Robin Fisher	<p>Let's make change together! As a current representative, I've enjoyed speaking with some of you on important issues and I'd like to continue these discussions. I'll keep you informed and help you to participate in UW governance. Forward Together!</p>

105	Rosalind McKennon	
106	Jane Rolfsmeyer	
106	Michele Parker	
107	Debbie Morris	
108	Bruce Goldade	I've been working on campus for 34 years. I've been involved in shared governance since the start and have worked to improve its effectiveness and accessibility through my work on the Bylaws Committee and Central Committee. As you Representative in Congress I'll continue to speak up on behalf of the staff and seek answers to your questions. I'd appreciate your vote.
108	Peter Haney	
109	Haiyan Wei	
110	Kari Zarecki	My name is Kari Zarecki and I work in the Department of Political Science as the Administrator for the Center for the Study of Liberal Democracy. This is my first time running for University Staff. I have been with the University for two years now. Before then I worked for the Department of Justice in the Bureau of Justice Information and Analysis. I value helping to make a positive change in the environment I work and for those I work with. I would appreciate your vote for District 110.
110	Rebecca Forbes Wank	Hello, I'm Rebecca Forbes Wank, a financial specialist in German, Nordic, and Slavic, and your current representative in District 110. I am a member of the University Staff Issues Committee for L&S, and I have been a District Representative in the University Staff Congress for the past four years. In that time I have seen what an enormous impact the Congress has had on our lives as University Staff, as we have advocated for and gotten pay raises for the lowest-paid workers, shift differential increases, an increase in the amount of money available for professional development, and even free campus parking the day after Thanksgiving. I am asking for the chance to continue with this important work as your representative. Please consider voting for me when you receive your ballot. Thank you.
110	Christi Balas Levenson	
111	Patrick Cunniffe	I wish to represent District 111 in the University Staff Congress for a second term! It is vital that the University Staff continue to promote not only fair compensation and benefits but non-financial aspects of well-being, i.e. professional development, symbols of appreciation and overall wellness opportunities, as well. Also, during this period of campus closure, we have a duty to emphasize the important role of all non-instructional staff to the functioning of the university. I would like to remind the administration that the University Staff employee is more than someone to pay bills, arrange reimbursements, respond to student requests, hand out keys, book rental spaces for events, clean department offices, protect the safety of students and employees, fill out forms, arrange catering orders and the myriad other seemingly minor tasks.

		If you decide to retain me as your representative, I will continue to be your voice!
111	Amy Basel	
113	Cynthia Lundey	
114	Sandy Peterson	Dear University Staff Congressional District 114 Members: I would welcome the opportunity to represent you in University Staff Congress. I served as a Representative for District 121 for three years, and am familiar with and passionate about shared governance. I believe in civic engagement, and I will listen to your concerns, raise those issues during meetings and in formal communications with the university's administration, and keep you informed of University Staff Congress activities. I want to identify the issues that affect us as staff and ensure that our concerns are addressed. Thank you for your time and consideration.
114	Tyler Norman	
114	Dylan Rindo	My name is Dylan Rindo and I'm running for the 7th University Staff Congress in District 114. As a UW-Madison alumnus and current member of the University Staff, I am fortunate enough to continue my career at an institution that is committed to making a difference in our community. Personally, I have been extremely fortunate in my experiences at UW-Madison. However, I am also aware that many others have had, and continue to have, a far less positive experience. I am running because I want to do all I can to ensure that everyone has the same phenomenal experience that I have had during my time here. Moreover, I want to ensure that decisions affecting the University Staff are made with transparency and communicated clearly. For example, while this work-from-home experience has been pleasant, even enjoyable, for me, it has become apparent that many systems and technologies in place for this process, some of which were in use beforehand, disenfranchised many University Staff. If elected as your representative, you can count on me to support openness, inclusion, and equity, and will work tirelessly to make my experience the norm, not the exception.
116	Colleen Marie Rohde-Szudy	
117	John Paulson	Hope everyone is staying well and safe during this unprecedented time. For the past 4 years, it has been my privilege and honor to act as your district representative on the UW Staff Congress. With this year's upcoming election, I would like to again announce my candidacy for this position and would appreciate your vote. It's my belief that the Congress has been an integral part of campus life in bringing staff issues to the forefront. In addition to serving as your district representative, I am also the current chair on the SMPH University Staff Issues Committee which in the last several months has been approved by Dean Golden's office. We currently are seeking new members for this committee, so please contact me if interested.
118	Jenniffer Priebe	

118	Ivy Smith	
119	Holly Johnson	
120	Alexis Irvin	
120	Shannon Kelly	
120	Colin Kelly	
121	Candice Butler	
122	Lee Bilke	As a UW-Madison University Staff Congress charter member, it's been my privilege to serve as your University Staff Congress Representative. If re-elected, I'll continue to be a strong voice for not only my constituents, but also the underrepresented. Also, I wish to make sure that OHR and Administration promises concerning the TTC project are fulfilled.
122	John P Anderson	
122	Pat Fargen	Hello, my name is Pat Fargen and have been with UW-Madison for 34 years. For the past 15 years I have been working for Facilities, Planning, and Management (FP&M). Eleven of those years were spent in the training office and then transferred into EH&S, with the Office of Radiation Safety. I am passionate about the work the university performs and am proud to be a part of their mission. If elected, I look forward to problem solving and collaborating to keep the university moving forward.
122	Rosa Ring	
123	Molly Lenz	I am a firm believer in governance because it gives a voice to a staff that otherwise might not be heard. I've demonstrated my commitment by recruiting candidates and serving on a variety of Committees. We need to bring our issues and ideas directly to the decision makers in the Administration, you have my pledge that I will continue to do so, but first I'll need your vote, so please mark and return your ballot. Thanks!
123	Kristine Runge	Hello District 123 Members! First of all, I hope you are all safe and healthy during these unparalleled times. I am asking for your vote to be your Congressional Representative for District 123 of the 2020-2021 University Staff Congress. Having held this position from 2014-2018 and as your alternate the past 2 years, I am committed to serving District 123 as your representative. University Staff Congress has and continues to do wonderful things for you all. Congress increased a well-deserved 2 nd & 3 rd shift differential pay, substantially increased funds for Professional Development and Tuition reimbursements and increased the number of University Staff Recognition awards – and that's just to name a few!
124	Marlina Polk McGiveron	

127	Courtland Maney	
127	Timothy Akey	
128	Chris Moreno	
129	Jill Keller	
130	Robert Linley	
130	Barbara Peters	I have worked at UW-Housing for 40 years. I am currently President of AFSCME Local 171, chair of the Policies and Procedures Committee, and a member of the Classified Congress and a member of the Central Committee. In my years of representing employees either through the Union or on various committees I've seen firsthand how important it is for classified workers to have a voice on campus. Classified employees are the backbone of the University and I would be honored to continue representing them.
131	Gregory Froehlich	
132	James Aitken	
132	Brian Holbach	I'm looking forward to serving in the Congress so I can provide each of you with the latest news from inside the Administration and I can provide them with the point of view of those workers in our district. But to do this, I'll need your vote, so please mark and return your ballot.
134	Ngunar Rotar	
136	Thomas Albright	
136	David Ryan	Hi District 136, my name is David Ryan and I am once again running for reelection as your district representative. I remain an active member of Congress with a great attendance record. I would really appreciate your vote for me.
137	Kerry O'Neill	
137	Michael Bradley	
139	Felix Castro	
140	Sara Frey	
141	Patrick Hanson	
142	Luis Alberto Martinez	
142	Consuelo Morales	
143	Neville Paul	
144	Juan R. Santoyo-Zamora	
146	Guadalupe Jensen	There is a lot that shared governance can do to bring the views and needs of the Staff to the attention of the Administration. I'd like to be part of that conversation. Please vote in this election. Thank you!!

147	John Whitesel	
147	Sarah Woodworth	I am running because I believe all voices must be heard by the Administration, particularly those working in the Trades. I ask for your vote in this election.
148	Paul Phommasack	
148	David Stevens	
149	Bart Munger	I would like to take part in shared governance, because it is the best place for University Staff to make our voices heard. Please vote in this election.
150	Kevin Eaton	
151	James Johnson	To my coworkers, I took a year off to deal with some family matters. I am here to ask for your vote for the seat 151 for the University Staff Congress. I will try to serve you better than I did in the past with emailing you on monthly specifics instead of giving you a yearly review. I would sure like your input on things you feel are important or would make your job more fulfilling & have some more fun while working for this great University. I did learn a lot of how this University operates on both sides of management & our great employee's. I hope everyone is doing the best they could do under these unique situations. It's a very stressful times we are going through right now, that's why it's important to have someone to have your back & go fight for you & be the best representative for seat 151. I have been working on campus for the whole time we have been shut down. I would really like your vote, so I can do the best I can. Thank you for your time & I would sure like you to vote for me, for seat 151.
151	Scott Newton	Everyone on campus deserves to have their voice heard. The only way we can be sure issues will be addressed is to take part. I'm willing to do so and I ask for your vote.
151	Bryan Lee	
152	Terry Fritter	I've been involved in shared governance from the beginning, and I've never stopped advocating for University Staff. I ask for your input, your support, and your vote in this election. In the next Congressional term, I will make clear to the Administration the needs of the staff and present realistic proposals that can be acted upon to improve conditions. Thank You!
152	Vicki Werla	
154	Sebastian Baxter	
156	Thomas Bresnahan	
159	Boyd Hillestad	
160	Jerald Moran	I know about the value of shared governance from having previously served in Congress and on several campus committees. I'll bring that experience to the Congress and I ask for your vote.

161	Lance Raney	<p>I Just completed my 10th year at UW. I have enjoyed my time here and have started to get involved with Campus Committees, including the Awards committee, Campus Planning Committee, and Congressional Districting and Representation Committee where I personally assisted in outreach to recruit people to run in unrepresented districts.</p> <p>I am currently the Congressional Rep for District 161 and I would love to stay your elected representative. While university staff congress does not replace the unions, it is currently our only voice to campus leadership and is important that all partake and have our voices heard. I think a representative should communicate to the district about Congress meetings, so all are informed. Together we stand united, divided we will fall and campus leadership will not hear our voice.</p> <p>I would like to Continue to represent the hard-working university staff that often work behind the scenes to make UW-Madison great, and even take the next step to run for Central Committee.</p> <p>Please vote for me as your Congress Representative. We have 60+ people in our district last election less than a 3rd voted let's try and beat that and get over 50% of our district to vote.</p>
162	Dan Wanish	<p>Dan Wanish has actively served in System shared governance for 8 years- 1 year as UW's District 162 rep., and 7 years prior as a founding member of UW-Extension's University Staff Council, including 2 terms as Chair and 3 as Vice-Chair. Dan is also currently one of UW's System-wide University Staff Shared Gov. reps. Dan works as an accountant with Conference Centers for 19 years, and 3 years prior with FP&M; he's committed to making our workplaces better for all U. Staff by strongly advocating for fair pay, benefits, working conditions, employment policies, and staff recognition.</p>
162	Lydia Dalton	
164	Tip Vandall	
165	Kathy Bear	
166	Andrew Broan	
167	Erik Geiger	<p>My name is Erik Geiger. I have been the acting alternate for district 167 for 2 years. In that time I have filled in occasionally for our representative Adam Hills-Meyer. I have also represented University Staff on the Communications Committee, the TTC Advisory Committee and the UW Madison Box Advisory Committee.</p> <p>Please vote in the upcoming University Staff Congress election. If you find me a worthy candidate and vote for me, thank you, but the important thing is for you to participate in shared governance, and to ensure that our district continues to be represented.</p>
167	Adam Hills-Meyer	

168	Chris Rohr	
168	Mark Taylor	
168	Jerome Watson	
169	Allison Baldwin	Greetings! I am a recent graduate of UW-Madison now working as a Departmental Assistant at DoIT Enterprise Business Systems. I studied Psychology and Neurobiology. I have a research background in social psychology studying prejudice and implicit bias reduction interventions. I have alternate experience working as a line cook and managing a butcher shop. I am committed to assessing the needs of others and fighting for equitable treatment for those around me in a work setting and beyond. I am running for Congress to complement DoIT's current representation from technical employees and to bring my perspective on people to DoIT and UW-Madison decision making.
170	Philip Jochimsen	
171	Matt Kenyon	
172	Todd Schwantes	
172	Andrew Hagen	
173	Gwen Goplin	
173	Courtney Summars	
173	Jim O'Brien	
176	Gloria Brown	
177	Cecilia Stodd	As representative for District 177, I'll make sure employees are kept informed about the monthly University Staff Congress meetings and any key developments across campus that impact your career. I am a Grant Specialist in the Chemistry Department, and currently serve on the University Staff Personnel Policies and Procedures Committee (PPC) and the University Research Council (URC). I ask for your vote this May.
179	Eric Schuck	
180	Joel Gerrits	
185	Russell Kutz	

186	Erik Pearce	
188	Kirsten Martin	
188	Shana Peterson	
189	Jennifer Rothamer	I work in the Department of Ophthalmology and Visual Sciences as a Program Assistant Supervisor-Advanced. This is my first time running for University Staff Congress. I have been with the University for 22+ years now and have worked in the Department of Ophthalmology and Visual Sciences the entire time. I look forward to helping make a positive change in the environment I work in as well as for the university staff that I supervise. I would appreciate your vote for District 189.
191	Jeffrey Schiller	
192	Najib Zaman	
192	Amanda Sandora	
192	Jzong Thao	My name is Jzong Thao. I worked as an Interpreter, Translator and Trainer in Cultural Linguistic Services since 2005. I also coordinate the UW Volunteer Tutoring Program, recruiting volunteer tutors to help our ELL (English Language Learning) employees and J-1 visiting scholars with their English skills. I have served on the Retirement Issues Committee, 2 nd & 3 rd Shift Committee and Professional and Tuition Reimbursement Committee. My goal is not only to voice issues related to 1 st shift University Staff but also to continue to provide a venue for the night shift employees to bring issues and provide feedback to Shared Governance.
193	Monica Wilson	
193	Thomas Valtin-Erwin	
194	Brian Shore	I would like to be an Alternate so vote for the other candidate(s)

194	Jana Valeo	I would like to continue being the representative for District 194 and hope that you will vote for me again. I have been involved in shared governance for many years and would like to continue to represent you in the University Staff Congress. Thank you for your consideration.
195	Rocio Orzel	With your vote, I'll be able to retain my seat in Congress and take part on behalf of University Staff. Together we can make a difference for everyone. Thanks for your participation.
197	Roman Lazowski	Friends, UW employees, countrymen. Lend me your ears. I am asking for your support to represent us in District 197. Although I might not be the best candidate, the smartest candidate and maybe the only candidate, but I promise you I will be a voice for us. I grew up in the shadows of the steel mills in Gary Indiana, I understand the importance of worker representation. I made my way to Madison WI where I have worked in the kitchen at the Memorial Union for the last 11 years assisting in overseeing the production/catering kitchen. I fought for everything I earned sometimes too proud to ask for help. I will bring the same for us but am asking for your help. Vote for Roman. Thank you and stay safe.
201	Jim Lesniak	This is a request for your vote, but more importantly, a request for your ideas. The UW will face many operational challenges in the coming year, and your ideas can have an impact on the outcome. Shared governance is a pathway for you to share your ideas with the UW administration, and I hope you'll participate both by voting, and by sharing your thoughts.
202	Eric Schafer	
203	Justin Kyle Brown	
203	Edna Crary	I would be interested in representing University Staff on the District 203 Congress seat. I am relatively new to the University (2 years in), and seek to become involved wherever I may be needed. I am excited to contribute to the University in any way I can.
206	Jodi Bodnar	