

CANDIDATE PROFILES

2021 NEC TRIBAL COUNCIL ELECTION



Mary (Bourdon) David, incumbent

My name is Mary (Bourdon) David. I was born and raised in Nome. My parents were David and Esther Bourdon. I am employed by Kawerak, Inc., as the Executive Vice President. I hold a Master of Public Administration from the University of New Mexico, Albuquerque, and a Bachelor of Social Work degree from the University of Alaska, Anchorage. I have served as a City Council member for the City of Nome, as a Bering Sea Women's Group board member, and as the financial secretary for the Community United Methodist Church. I currently serve on the NEC Tribal Council as Vice-Chair, and am a member of the Inuit Circumpolar Council-Alaska Health Steering Committee and Alaska's alternate representative on the Administration for Children and Families Tribal Advisory Committee. I would like to continue to serve on the tribal council to improve individual, family, community and global conditions that impact the health and welfare of our people and environment and would appreciate your vote.



Chugie Farley

My name is Howard "Olaranna" Farley Jr., but you can call me Chugie. I am the son of Howard and Julie Farley of Nome, and the grandson of Leo and Agnes Kunnuk of King Island, and Leslie Farley and Jessie Alms of Michigan. I was born and raised in Nome and still live here with my wife and our two sons. I am an entrepreneur with experience in maritime operations, auto parts, tires, and hospitality. This experience will help me bring a broad range of fresh ideas and expertise to NEC. I am adept in the balance between subsistence and commercial fishing, child welfare, and business development--all priorities for the future of our tribe. NEC staff have done a tremendous job bringing the tribe in a new direction, and I am asking for your vote to continue this momentum. I appreciate your consideration of my service on our council. Quyanna.



Jeannie Kost

My name is Jeanette Kost, but I go by Jeannie. I take pride in my community and would be honored to serve on the NEC Tribal Council. I enjoy speaking up for those who don't have a voice, those who are in need and who need listening to. From 2006 to 2016, my work roles—as ICWA case manager for NEC and as counselor, case manager, and patient advocate for Norton Sound Health Corporation—taught me a great deal about how to listen to, advocate for and serve those in need. My prior leadership experience includes a term on the Sitnasuak Native Corporation board of directors 2007-2010, during which time I served on the executive, finance and land committees. I chaired the finance committee 2009-10. As an NEC Tribal Council member I would continue to use my voice for the betterment of our tribal enrollees.



Amber "Attasiaq" Otton, incumbent

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