

National Executive Candidates 2027 – 2028

Curriculum Vitae



Name: Robyn Kamaea Lose

Nominated for:

- Primary Teacher Sector
- General Membership &

Ko Tihirau te maunga

Ko Whangaparāoa te awa

Ko Mataatua me Tauira ngā waka

Ko Kauaetangohia te marae

Ko Te Whānau a Kauaetangohia te hapū

Ko Te Whānau a Apanui te iwi

Relevant skills, attributes and qualifications:

I have a Bachelor of Teaching Kura Kaupapa Māori and a Post - Graduate Certificate in Applied Practice – Digital and Collaboration through Unitech Mindlab. I have facilitated and lead professional learning workshops alongside colleagues at Ngā Kura ā Iwi conferences, highlighting differentiated learning, also working as an Across School Teacher for Te Puke Kāhui Ako facilitating cultural conversations i.e. Te Tiriti o Waitangi, Hapu and Iwi relationships, strengthening and maintaining relationships. I uphold our tikanga māori values and I'm proficient in Te Reo Māori and can understand some Tongan also.

I am currently studying for my Post Graduate Diploma in Māori Medium Education, with the potential to do my Masters.

I have strong community connections and uphold our tikanga māori values. I had the opportunity to fulfill the role of Cultural Leader within our kura from our last claim gains.

I am passionate about providing our tamariki, mokopuna with quality education by ensuring we have the resources, time, space and expertise to maximise their learning to achieve better outcomes. I work collaboratively with colleagues' and respect and value their contributions. I also like a challenge and would love to make a difference in our evolving education system for our tamariki mokopuna through our Union spaces

NZEI experience:

2012 – Current NZEI Member

2018 – WSR Maketū School/ Te Rohe o Waiariki Mātauranga Maui Climate Change Convenor

2022- 2024 – Te Puke Branch President

- NZEI Rep and Branch President – Reference Groups, PUMs, Climate Change. Attended Te Kāhui Whetū 2022, 2024, 2025, 2026
Attended Pasifika Fono 2024, 2025
- NZEI Hui ā Tau Workshop Facilitation
 - Climate Change
 - Inclusiveness and Diversity
 - Strengthening Relationships with whānau

2024 – 2026 – Te Rohe o Waiariki Area Council Chair

My interest in NZEI mahi grew from attending a WSR workshop where I shared my frustration's around the lack of learning support for our Tamariki Māori who really needed it, which started to become a common theme across schools. I turned that frustration into a passion to advocate for our Tamariki mokopuna and our profession by being more involved in Ngā Aukaha. I was apart of the team that lobbied to our local MP to share our concerns and asks around the Highest Needs Review.

I have led Paid Union Meetings, local community pickets, marches and events. I have facilitated workshops alongside other members at Hui ā Tau. I love to support all our sectors and uphold Mōku Te Ao in all aspects of my mahi within the union. Our AC is currently planning a wellbeing workshop in August for our members called "Nōu te rourou, nāku te rourou – Fill my Kete" I believe in kōtahitanga to get the mahi done and to strengthen our mana.

Other background and personal information:

I am a mokopuna of Te Whānau a Kauaetangohia, however I was born and raised in Maketū. My journey as a māmā began at 14yrs of age, I was married at 17 to my amazing tongan husband, celebrating our 27th wedding anniversary this year. We have 6 Children and 6 mokopuna. I graduated with my Bachelor of Teaching in 2011 and have continued to upskill and learn in our education profession. My favourite colour is all shades of blue, I love a Nescafe Caramel Latte and I love indigenous cultures. I want to become fluent in Tongan and learn more Spanish. I am ambitious and I advocate for the future of our Tamariki mokopuna who deserve to be invested in no matter which learning pathway they follow and no matter their learning needs and diversity. I highly respect our profession, colleagues and leaders within our education sectors, I believe I can be their voices today, tomorrow and the future generations to come.

Nominated by: Oriwia Murray Stevens Rotorua Branch /Te Rohe o Waiariki Area Council VC