

Ron Jonkman, P.Eng.

Candidate nominated by Council

EDUCATION:	B.Sc. Mechanical Engineering, University of Manitoba, 1989
ASSOCIATION ACTIVITIES:	Professional Engineer, Engineers Geoscientists Manitoba, registered 1991
OTHER ENGINEERING/ GEOSCIENCE ACTIVITIES:	Leader and Manager of engineering resources at many major firms in Winnipeg over a 30-year career. Provided leadership for preservation of engineering achievements in Manitoba aerospace through participation on the Board of Royal Aviation Museum of Western Canada.
EMPLOYERS SINCE GRADUATION:	Allmar Inc., President and CEO (National Distribution of Architectural Door and Hardware materials), 2016 to present MTS (Bell-MTS), Vice President Network Services, 2012-2015 Alphair Ltd., President and CEO (Commercial Fans), 2007-2011 Standard Aero, Vice President of Commercial Airline Programs, 1998-2007 Bristol (Magellan) Aerospace, Aircraft Engineering, International Marketing, 1989-1998

PLATFORM PART 1 - THE PUBLIC OF MANITOBA

The Association governs and regulates the professions in the public interest. What is, or what should, Council be doing to ensure that its governance is in the public interest and why?

Governance must not be self-serving and must ensure that the interests of all stakeholders, including that of the public-at-large, are served. This requires participation from those stakeholders through an open and consultative process. Council should continue to engage with stakeholder forums to ensure that the Association is not just meeting its internal goals and objectives, but those of all customers and stakeholders.

PLATFORM PART 2 - THE ASSOCIATION

Council sets the expectation for the Association by defining the Ends. What is, or should be, the most important End and why?

The Association carries out a unique and important role in government supported self-governance of its membership to support the public interest of safe and long-lasting engineering design. The End E-4, **Stakeholders understand and value the contribution of the professions** is our highest priority. Council must govern the Association to ensure its members maintain a high level of competency to accomplish these tasks, but also to defend the position of its members as the authoritative practitioners in their fields. There is continued economic pressure to outsource Engineering duties to vendors and suppliers that may provide less than satisfactory service to

the public. Council must ensure that the Association defend its important role as part of its continued mandate. This defense is also an important End. Failure to defending our position will result in an erosion of our authoritative role.

PLATFORM PART 3 - THE COUNCIL

Council sets out the core characteristics of what it considers to be a good councillor in Clause 1 of GP-6. What is, or should be, the most important characteristic of a good councillor and why?

As with all councils or boards, they are only as strong as the collective leadership of its members, who must participate with enthusiasm and commitment. Councillors can have courage, willingness, and multiple abilities to serve Council and its members, but if there is no enthusiasm to do so their other attributes are not realized. Councillors must participate.

PLATFORM PART 4 - THE CANDIDATE

Please provide any additional information you would like as to why you would make a good councillor.

As a professional engineer, my career has been focused on people management. I have led teams in sales, customer service, business management and engineering. I have participated in and lead business process re-design efforts to drive organizational safety and performance management, while embracing diversity and fairness. I believe that I can leverage these experiences to the benefit of Council providing a business leadership perspective.

Having the opportunity to work with Professionals from across the globe I believe the Association would benefit from embracing diversity and pursuing the **End E-5, Practitioners reflect the diversity of the public**. To this end I also strongly support the **End E-1.2, Qualified professionals experience a seamless registration process across Canada and internationally**. Supporting seamless registration will help build diversity and enrich the profession through the introduction of new and creative global ideas.

As your councillor I will be an active contributor, working to improve and actively govern the Association. As chair of the Governance Committee of the Royal Aviation Museum of Western Canada I recognized that the outdated governance model of the museum would hinder its ability to succeed. I therefore led the update and overhaul of the Museum's outdated by-laws and policies, paving the way for the Board to successfully manage the Museum's future as it deploys a \$40M Capital Campaign and constructs a new museum to tell the story of Aviation in Manitoba. I will provide that same active participation to Council.

Professional engineers and geoscientists remain critically important to society and offer the potential to address many challenges society will face in the coming decades and beyond. Having a strong Association and regulatory body for the professions has never been more important. I would like to contribute to the Association by leveraging my years of experience in a meaningful way through the Engineers Geoscientists Manitoba Council.