## 2022 Board Nominee Bios for Board member



*Kelly Carey is the Director of Transportation at Wor-Wic Community College in Salisbury, Maryland.* I have had the position for 3 years after being promoted from the Transportation Coordinator position. My responsibilities include curriculum creation, new course implementation, planning coursework, staying in compliance with state and federal regulations, supervising up to 16 instructors, managing a \$300,000 budget, and communicating with President's staff and the Dean.

I earned my CDL at Wor-Wic Community College in December of 2010 and immediately went over the road as a flatbed truck driver with a national company. Earning my CDL and starting my career in transportation was a life-changing experience for me. After four years over the road, I came home to help care for my elderly parents. I got a local delivery job and then a sales job prior to being hired at Wor-Wic Community College in the transportation department.

Helping people earn their CDL and experience the success and joy of being in the transportation field brings makes my career rewarding and fulfilling. Seeing lives change in 8 weeks and families supported and giving people a second chance is the driving force behind my motivation.

I have a bachelor's degree in History, a master's degree in Management, Interdisciplinary Studies, and am currently in a Ph.D. program earning a degree in Organizational Leadership. The doctoral program is research oriented and my statistical analysis and ability to research and parse data could be an asset to NAPFTDS.

Being able to serve on the Board of Directors for NAPFTDS would be rewarding and being part of the change and development happening currently in the industry would be exciting. NAPFTDS has been an asset to me as a director and I would like to serve other colleges making a difference in people's lives.



**<u>Richard 'Rickey' Monroe, Marion Technical College, Ocala, Florida.</u> Rickey has been in the trucking industry since 1999. He has been in education as an instructor since 2012 and Lead Instructor/ Examiner with MTC since 2018. In his career, he has been a company driver, owner operator, owned a trucking company, dispatched as well as an instructor. As an instructor, he enjoyed being able to teach new drivers what he had learned over the years as well as his love for the transportation industry which he shared with his students.** 



**Donnie Tulk (Board member re-election)** has 7 years as an instructor of Entry-level Driver Training, 6 years as a program coordinator, Truck Driver Training, 10 years as an Advisory Council member of Central Tech, Truck Driver Training and 38 years of Industry experience as Driver, Management, Recruiting and Safety. In 2017 Tulsa Tech hosted the Region 4 meeting. Donnie has attended Regional meetings and national conferences. His company was a carrier member in 2011 and his school, Tulsa Tech has been a full member since 2016. He has worked as a past Board member with the Oklahoma Trucking Association; past chairman of Oklahoma Safety Management Council; and was awarded the 2006 Safety Professional of the year award from the Oklahoma Trucking Association.

I first became involved as a member of NAPFTDS in 2011 as a Carrier Member. At the time, I was on the advisory council of Central Tech's Trucking Driving Training program, being involved with Central Tech introduced me to several NAPFTDS members, I could see the passion that this great group of professionals had for properly training entry-level truck drivers and I knew that I needed to become a member and get involved with like-minded people that understood the importance of thoroughly and effectively training entry-level truck drivers. To me, serving on the board is an opportunity for me to give back to the industry that has been very good to me, also, I feel that by bringing almost 40 years of experience in the trucking industry coupled with the experience that I have so far in technical education, I believe I can work with all members equally to help make decisions that affect NAPFTDS in a positive way.

My vision for NAPFTDS as an organization is to continue to be on the forefront of working with local, state and federal legislators in regards to changes in legislation or regulations when it comes to training entry-level truck drivers. I also feel that there is strength in numbers and the more members we have makes us stronger, I will pledge to put forth a concerted effort to be an NAPFTDS ambassador and will do my part to recruit full, affiliate, and associate members.

Thank you for your consideration.



**Dan Zdrojewski (Board member re-election)** For the last 8 years I have been a truck driving Instructor and the Lead Faculty at Milwaukee Area Technical College. The last 6 of those years, I have been the Membership Chair for NAPFTDS. Operating, developing, scheduling, designing, recruiting, teaching, coaching, implementing, listening, researching, learning, leading, following, and staying dedicated are constant daily tasks that I embrace in my career and life. I am a lifelong learner, US Army Veteran, 18-year experienced truck driver, with degrees in Computer Network Systems, Management, and Supply Chain Management. I have numerous certifications and awards; however, none of this compares to the intrinsic reward of watching my students reach their goals.

These last 6 years, I have been honored and proud to serve the association as the Membership Chair for NAPFTDS. NAPFTDS Membership is increasing every month. The Membership Committee and I proudly strive to meet the demands for anyone seeking membership within our Association. Our continued success and dedicated work contribute to NAPFTDS's growth and awareness.

My vision for NAPFTDS is this continuing growth and sustainability. I want to continue the awareness of NAPFTDS and keep increasing the value of membership within the association. My goal is to make sure processes and procedures will continue to help NAPFTDS grow and evolve with the changing times. The skillset, knowledge, and connections I have acquired in my life and in the last 6 years will help assist NAPFTDS continue to achieve its goals. As individual schools, as an industry partner, and as an association, we are all faced with many challenges. I strongly believe NAPFTDS will help with these challenges and continue to lead the way into the future for its members and our industry.