



CANDIDATES' ELECTION STATEMENTS

Scottish Secondary Teachers' Association
Election of Vice President

Please read carefully before casting your vote.

**John Guidi**

I am a Physics Chartered teacher and I have been actively involved with the SSTA for over twenty years.

At present, I am the Renfrew Area Secretary as well as East Renfrewshire District Secretary. My work and experience for the SSTA includes membership of the Education Committee and Council.

I have proposed numerous motions at both congress and council to highlight the concerns of Secondary teachers and raise awareness of the SSTA's profile.

In the last few years we have seen many changes in Secondary education that have affected members' workload, career progression, pay and conditions of service.

I am seeking office as Vice-President I intend to:

- uphold the contribution of secondary teachers by having time to teach;
- collaborate with other agencies to raise further the Association's role;
- be a strong voice to promote the work of the Association;
- make the SSTA the most appropriate union for secondary teachers.

**Ward McCormick**

I have been a teacher in a Secondary School in Ayrshire for twenty six years. For the past twelve years I have been SSTA rep in my school and District Secretary for the last ten. In that time I have assisted members from within my district on a variety of issues and have achieved successful resolutions. I have been successful with motions to both Council and Congress in having motions passed which strengthen and support the role and professionalism of the secondary teacher. I have also been a member of Executive and Council for four years. I have much experience negotiating on behalf of the secondary teacher at local level and contribute at national level on a number of committees. As Vice-President of the SSTA I would aim to assist this association in continuing to ensure that Secondary Education in Scotland remains at its highest standard.