

## Tooele Technical College Presidential Search Committee



**Lori Haines-Little**

Plant Manager, Carlisle Construction Materials, LLC; Tooele Technical College Board of Trustees Chair

Lori Haines-Little currently serves as plant manager at Carlisle Construction Materials, overseeing a 200,000 sq. ft. facility and a team of 100 employees. A dedicated advocate for technical education, Lori has served as chair of the Board of Trustees since 2025 and as chair of Tooele Technical College's Employer Advisory Boards for over a decade, supporting both the Automation and Diesel Technician programs. With a mechanical engineering degree from the University of Michigan and a Six Sigma Green Belt, Lori brings decades of Fortune 100 experience and a passion for building safe, high-performing teams and fostering the next generation of technical talent in Tooele.



**Ty Dobmann**

Deputy Sheriff, Tooele County; Tooele Technical College Student of the Year

Ty Dobmann is a proud graduate of the Tooele Tech Police Academy and a current deputy for the Tooele County Sheriff's Office. A former professional indoor arena football player, Ty found a new calling in law enforcement after a series of injuries ended his XFL dreams. His journey through the Academy was nothing short of transformative; serving as class president (squad leader), Ty underwent a rigorous lifestyle change and discovered a renewed sense of confidence and purpose. Today, he credits the Academy's leadership and instructors for helping him realize that his past challenges were simply preparation for his true calling in public service.



**David Douglas**

Customer Success Engineer, Adobe; Tooele Technical College Board of Trustees Member

With over 20 years of experience at the intersection of cloud engineering and institutional leadership, David Douglas specializes in building stable, scalable technical environments. From his tenure as a senior cloud engineer at Ellucian to his current role at Adobe, David has a proven track record of partnering with CIOs to develop strategic roadmaps and disaster recovery plans. His expertise spans AWS/Azure infrastructure, web content management, and student data systems. David is a GEM Sapphire Award recipient and a former adjunct instructor of communication, blending technical mastery with a passion for effective mentorship and training.



**Lynn Jeffers**

Plant Operations Manager, Aftermarket Solutions in Tooele; Tooele Technical College Board of Trustees Vice-Chair and Finance and Audit Committee Chair

As the plant operations manager for Detroit Diesel Remanufacturing, Jeffers oversees all aspects of production, maintenance, and site performance. With 18+ years of management experience and a deep background in quality engineering, Lynn has a proven track record of reducing warranty costs and driving revenue through lean methodology. Before his current role, he managed quality systems across multiple centers and held engineering positions in the highly regulated aerospace industry. He is a Six Sigma Green Belt and holds degrees from both Weber State University and the University of Phoenix.



**Kimberley Rice**

Recruitment and Placement Specialist, Tooele Technical College

Kimberly Rice represents the staff at Tooele Technical College, with over 13 years of service in a variety of positions at the college. She currently serves as the recruitment and placement specialist. As a key liaison between employers and student graduates, Kim plays a vital role in connecting students with potential employers. Kim brings a unique perspective to the job search, having also completed several training programs at Tooele Technical College.



**Gary Snow**

Faculty, Diesel Technician Program, Tooele Technical College

Gary represents all faculty at Tooele Technical College. With seven years at the college and over 35 years in the diesel industry, Gary has a breadth and depth of knowledge as a diesel technician, supervisor, and service manager. Gary actively supports the Utah Diesel Tech Pathway.



**Kendall Thomas**

Tooele County Council Member

Kendall Thomas has over 40 years of leadership experience spanning industry, education, and local government. He is a lifelong Tooele County resident committed to the region's growth and the success of its workforce and currently serves on the Tooele County Council. Thomas previously served on the Tooele County School District Board of Education and the Stockton City Council. His professional experience includes serving as a maintenance project manager at Tooele Army Depot and as a millwright with U.S. Magnesium Corporation.



**Kent Thygeron**

Interim President, Tooele Technical College

Kent Thygeron is currently serving as the interim president of Tooele Technical College, and for the past 10 years as the vice president of finance and operations. With over 17 years in manufacturing and distribution, Kent currently holds the following licenses: Certified Public Accountant and Certified Internal Auditor. He holds degrees from Salt Lake Community College and Utah State University.