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## **2020-2021 NEF Executive Committee & Board of Trustees**

***Laura Herron, Fircroft at BP Husky Refinery, to Lead NEF for 2020-2021 Year***

**Dateline: ORLANDO, FL September 1, 2020** — NAWIC Education Foundation (NEF) installed Laura Herron as its president during the National Association of Women in Construction's (NAWIC) 65<sup>th</sup> Virtual Annual Conference on August 10, 2020.

Herron serves as Material Buyer for Fircroft at BP Husky Refinery, Oregon, Ohio and served as president-elect of NEF for 2019-2020. She has been a long-time NEF volunteer serving in the past as a Trustee, National Fundraiser and Liaison.

Herron earned an Associate Degree from Monroe Community College, Monroe, Michigan. She has been in the construction industry for 34 years. Her "on the job" career training in the construction industry consists of Payroll Clerk, Accounts Payable, Cost Accounting, Computer Software assist, Material Buyer and TAR Site Accounting Manager. Herron has been working Turn Arounds in the Refinery industry since 2003 as Site Accounting and TAR Material Buyer at various refineries in Michigan and Ohio.

Other NEF Officers installed for 2020-2021 include, Melanie Myers, President Elect, Stockbridge, MI; Tamara Crooks, J.D., CIT, Vice President, Byrne Construction Services, Fort Worth, TX; Tamie K. Taylor, CDS, CDT, CIT, Secretary, Taylored Business Solutions, Anchorage, AK; Robin Fulton Meyer, CBT, CIT, Treasurer, On Your Case, Fort Mohave, AZ; Wendy Jarred, CBT, CCA, CDS, CIT, EIT, LEED AP BD+C, Immediate Past President, DonahueFavret Contractors, Inc., Mandeville, LA and Frances Jackson, CBT, CIT, Executive Committee, Church Hill, TN.

NEF is also governed by a ten (10) member Board of Trustees. Those trustees installed for 2020-2021 include Diana Greener, Know How Management Services, Fort Worth, TX; Karen Hager, CBT, CIT, AB Design Group, LLC, Deltona, FL; Kimberly Hahr, MCCEI, Ellicott City, MD; Jill Hanson, CDT, CIT, ESP, GLE Associates, Inc., Clearwater, FL; Kathy A Hope, M&K Heating and Cooling Services, Las Vegas, NV; Debra M. Lesar, CIT, The Brewer-Garrett Company, Berea, OH; Carri Morones, CIT, CPE, Cupertino Electric, Inc., Jacksonville, FL; Steve Nellis, ACCE, Irving, TX; Cathy Tyler, NCCER, Alachua, FL; and Kendra West, Southwest Abatement, Albuquerque, NM.

Based in Orlando, FL, NEF is responsible for administering a variety of K-12 programs that help educate today's youth to pursue construction careers. In addition, NEF offers a full range of self-study courses for adults. NEF maintains partnering agreements with various education-related organizations that allow it to expand its offerings of educational courses. NEF is recognized by the IRS as a 501(c) 3 non-profit educational foundation to which tax-deductible contributions can be made.

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The core purpose of NEF is to educate the construction industry today...and tomorrow. Its goals are to provide quality education programs for the construction industry and to promote the benefits of a career in the industry. For additional information about NEF, including its educational courses, go to [www.nef-edu.org](http://www.nef-edu.org), send an email to [nawicedu@gmail.com](mailto:nawicedu@gmail.com) or call (407) 667-3417.