Local Elections Count! Make a Plan to VOTE!
Two ways to return your ballot: 1. Vote early & return your ballot by mail. Get it in the mail by Tue., May 11. No stamp needed! 2. Return to any Official Ballot Drop Site in Oregon by 8 PM May 18, 2021.

# **Multnomah County Voters' Pamphlet** May 18, 2021 Special District Election

### **Dear Multnomah County Voter:**

This Voters' Pamphlet for the May 18, 2021 Special District Election is being mailed to all residential households in Multnomah County. In advance of the election we are asking voters to Make a Plan to VOTE! Here is what you can do to be ready for the election and ensure your vote is counted:

- Register to VOTE. Update your voter registration information or register to vote at 1. oregonvotes.gov/myvote. The Voter Registration Deadline is Apr. 27. Sign up to Track Your Ballot at multco.us/trackyourballot.
- Get your ballot. You will receive your ballot in the mail beginning Apr. 28. If you have not received your ballot by May 6, take action and contact the elections office.
- **VOTE your ballot.** Remember to sign your ballot return envelope. Your signature is your identification. If you forget to sign or your signature does not match we will contact you so you can take action and we can count your vote.
- **Return your ballot.** Two ways to return your ballot. Vote early and return your ballot 4. by mail by May 11 or return to any Official Ballot Drop Site in Oregon by 8 PM, May 18. Voted ballots MUST be received by any county elections office or Official Ballot Drop Site in Oregon by 8 PM, Tue. May 18 to be counted.
- Local elections are important. Make your vote count! Unofficial election results will 5. be posted after 8 PM May 18 at mcelections.org. Final official election results are certified by June 7.

### **Official Ballot Drop Site Reminders:**

- There is an Official Ballot Drop Box in the rear parking lot of the Green Zebra Grocery at 3011 N Lombard St. The entrance for Green Zebra's rear parking lot is on N Curtis Ave.
- There is an Official Ballot Drop Box at McCoy Park in North Portland. It is located at the SE corner of McCoy Park near the intersection of N Trenton St and N Newman Ave. This Offical Ballot Drop Box is walk-up only.
- We've moved the Official Ballot Drop Box on SE 11th Ave. one block north due to construction of a new building in our neighborhood. It is now located on the east side of SE 11th Ave. between SE Alder St. and SE Morrison St. The Official Ballot Drop Box on SE Belmont St. between SE 10th Ave. and SE 11th Ave. has not moved.
- All 19 library locations are 24-hour Official Ballot Drop Sites. You can find your nearest Offical Ballot Drop Site at multco.us/dropsites.

If you have any questions, you can contact our office at 503-988-VOTE (8683) or elections@multco.us.

Sincerely,

Tim Scott, Multnomah County Director of Elections

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# **Multnomah County Duniway-Lovejoy Elections Building**

1040 SE Morrison Street, Portland, OR 97214

**Voting Center Express (Inside Multnomah County East Building)** 

600 NE 8th Street, Gresham, OR 97030 Open May 3 – May 18, 2021 503-988-VOTE (8683) | elections@multco.us www.mcelections.org

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> > @MultCoElections

### **Oregon Voter Registration Card**

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qualifications		
Are you a citizen of the United Sta	tes of America? y	es no
Are you at least 16 years of age?	У	es no
If you mark no in response to eit	her of these questions, do not com	plete this form.
personal information *requ	ired information	
last name*	first*	middle
Oregon residence address, city and a	zip code (include apt. or space numbe	er)*
date of birth (month/day/year)*	county of residence	
phone	email	
mailing address, including city, state	and zip code (required if different tha	an residence)
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Register online at oregonvotes.gov or return this paper registration card by mail or in-person to:

Multnomah County Elections, 1040 SE Morrison St, Portland, OR 97214

The Oregon voter registration deadline is Tuesday, April 27, 2021

### **Facts to Know about Voting and Elections**

### Who can register to vote in Oregon?

- •You must be a United States citizen,
- •A resident of Oregon,
- And at least 16 years old. You will get your first ballot in the mail once you are at least 18 years old.

You must register to vote at least 21 days before Election Day.

### How can I register to vote?

- Online at <u>oregonvotes.gov/register</u> or
- On a paper Oregon Voter Registration Card that can be picked up at an elections office, public library, Oregon DMV, or post office.

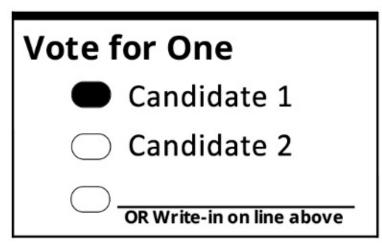
### How does vote by mail work?

All elections in Oregon are conducted by the county elections office. The elections office mails ballots directly to voters. Voters complete their ballots, and then return them to the county elections office in the mail or by putting them into an official ballot drop box.

### Vote by mail in a few simple steps:

- 1) Register to Vote
- 2) Receive a Voter Notification Card
- 3) Receive a Voters' Pamphlet
- 4) Receive Your Ballot
- 5) Vote Your Ballot
- 6) Return Your Ballot

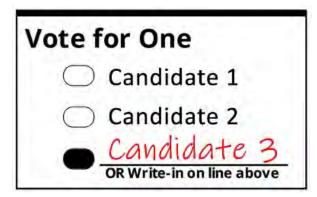
### How do I vote my ballot?



Find the candidate or measure response (YES or NO) of your choice. Completely darken the oval to the left of your choice with blue or black ink.

\*\*\* Do not use felt tip markers.

#### **Write-in Votes**



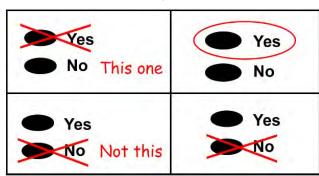
To vote for a write-in candidate who does not appear on the ballot, completely darken the oval to the left of the line provided for the office and write the full name of the candidate on that line.

- Make sure you have correctly marked your choice for each contest.
- Your official ballot may have contests printed on both sides.
- Place the ballot in the return identification envelope. \*\*You may use the optional secrecy sleeve.
- Read the Voter's Statement on the return envelope and sign on the signature line.
- Your ballot cannot be counted if you do not sign the return envelope.
- Every signature is checked against the registration signature on file. The signatures must match for the ballot to be counted.

If you vote for more candidates than allowed for an office or if you vote **both** Yes **and** No on a measure, it is called an overvote and your vote **will not count** for that contest.

# If you make a mistake or change your mind while marking your ballot,

- You may correct it yourself. See example below.
- Make your choice obvious so that your intent is understood and your vote is counted correctly.



 If you are unable to correct your ballot, you may request a replacement ballot from the elections office.

### **Return Your Ballot**

Mail your ballot in the return envelope with free postage by May 11, 2021 (in State).

Drop off your ballot at an official 24-hour or library drop site by 8PM Election Day, May 18, 2021.

Postmarks do not count. Your ballot must be returned before 8 PM on Election Day.

### 24-Hour Official Ballot Drop Sites

#### **Portland - North**

- St. Johns Library (Library Book Drop) 7510 N Charleston Ave.
- North Portland Library (Library Book Drop)
   512 N Killingsworth St.
- Kenton Library (Library Book Drop) –
   8226 N Denver Ave.
- Green Zebra Grocery NEW LOCATION 3011 N Lombard St. (Official Ballot Drop Box located in rear parking lot off of N Curtis Ave.)
- McCoy Park NEW LOCATION located on the southeast corner of McCoy Park near the intersection of North Trenton Street and North Newman Avenue. – Walk up Only)

#### **Portland - Northeast**

- Albina Library (Official Ballot Drop Box)
   –216 NE Knott St.
- Hollywood Library (Library Book Drop) –
   4040 NE Tillamook St.
- McDonald's Restaurant 2010 NE Cesar Chavez Blvd. - Official Ballot Drop Box located on west side of NE 40th Avenue between NE Tillamook and NE Hancock and near the Hollywood Library.
- Gregory Heights Library (Library Book Drop) – 7921 NE Sandy Blvd.
- Parkrose Neighborhood 4390 NE 102nd Ave. – Official Ballot Drop Box located in the east parking lot across the street from MHCC Maywood Park Center on NE 102nd Ave. and NE Prescott St.

#### **Portland - Northwest**

Northwest Library (Library Book Drop) –
 2300 NW Thurman St.

#### Portland - Southeast

- Multnomah County Elections 1040 SE Morrison St.
- o SE 11th Avenue Official Ballot Drop Box located on the east side of SE 11th Ave. between SE Alder St. and SE Morrison St.
- o SE Belmont Street Official Ballot Drop Box located on north side of SE Belmont St. between SE 10th Ave. and SE 11th Ave.
- o 1040 SE Morrison Street Walk/bike up Official Ballot Drop Site is a slot on the side of the building located at corner of SE 11th Ave. and SE Morrison St.

- Belmont Library (Library Book Drop) –
   1038 SE César E. Chávez Blvd.
- Sellwood Moreland Library (Library Book Drop) – 7860 SE 13th Ave.
- Woodstock Library (Library Book Drop) –
   6008 SE 49th Ave.
- Holgate Library (Library Book Drop) –
   7905 SE Holgate Blvd.
- Midland Library (Official Ballot Drop Box) 805 SE 122nd Ave.
- Regal Cinemas Movie Theater / M & M
   Car Wash SE Division St. & SE 165th Ave. –
   Official Ballot Drop Box located in Regal
   Cinemas parking lot behind M & M Car Wash
- Rockwood Library (Library Book Drop) –
   17917 SE Stark St.

#### **Portland - Southwest**

- A–Boy Supply 7365 SW Barbur Blvd.
- Capitol Hill Library (Library Book Drop) 10723 SW Capitol Hwy.
- Hillsdale Library (Library Book Drop) –
   1525 SW Sunset Blvd.
- Central Library 801 SW 10th Ave. Drive up Library Book Drop located on SW 11th Ave. between SW Yamhill St. and SW Taylor St.
- Pioneer Courthouse Square 700 block of SW Broadway (next to Starbucks and across from Nordstrom – Walk up Only)

#### **Fairview**

 Fairview – Columbia Library (Library Book Drop) – 1520 NE Village St.

#### Gresham

- Gresham Library (Official Ballot Drop Box)
   385 NW Miller Ave.
- Voting Center Express Limited Hours Multnomah County East Building, 600 NE 8th St. – There is an Official Ballot Drop Box located inside the Voting Center Express on the first floor of the Multnomah County East Building. It is open only during voting center open hours. You will need to park and then walk inside to deposit your ballot.

#### **Troutdale**

Troutdale Library (Library Book Drop) –
 2451 SW Cherry Park Rd.

### **Multnomah Education Service District**

Director, Position 2, At-Large

### **Helen Ying**

Occupation: MESD Board Member, Current; Retired

Occupational Background: Public School Teacher; Counselor; Vice Principal; Hearings

Officer

Educational Background: Lewis & Clark College, Continuing Superintendent License;

Portland State University, Masters Degree in Science

Prior Governmental Experience: Oregon Department of Education, Ethnic Studies Advisory Group Member; Office of Equity, City of Portland, Committee Member

"As a fellow public educator, I know that Helen has the experience, knowledge, and passion to be a driver for change at MESD. I wholeheartedly endorse her."

-Karen Gray, Former Parkrose School District Superintendent

"In this race, the choice couldn't be clearer—Helen will work tirelessly to advocate for MESD in Salem and Multnomah County."

-Senator Michael Dembrow

"Helen brings people together, and seamlessly facilitates tough conversations. She is exactly the kind of leader we need as we emerge from the Covid pandemic and tackle some of the biggest issues facing our community, including profound health disparities, institutional racism and growing economic inequality."

-Sharon Meieran, Multnomah County Commissioner

For over 30 years, I have served Oregon's public school students. I am elated to share that we have made great strides to make sure we are responsive to our students and are getting results for our work:

- Developing, Implementing Culturally Inclusive Programming
- Holding Ourselves Accountable to Success Metrics
- Greater Visibility of Our Work so Families Know How We Support Student Success

MESD must continue to ensure that the underrepresented and marginalized populations, including low-income families, receive the support needed to thrive, especially as we help repair the damage caused by the pandemic and systemic racism. It is my passion to see that this work is done and that every student thrives.

We Ask You to Re-Elect Helen Ying!

MESD Education Association

Oregon Education Association

Stand for Children

Ted Wheeler, Portland Mayor

Jessica Vega Pederson, Multnomah County Commissioner

Lori Stegmann, Multnomah County Commissioner
MESD Board Members: Kristin Cornuelle; Jessica Arzate; Denyse Peterson; Mary
Botkin; Katrina Doughty; and Susie Jones
Helenformesd.com | Facebook.com/helenformesd

(This information furnished by Helen Ying)

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### **MULTNOMAH COUNTY**

### **Multnomah Education Service District**

Director Position 2, At-Large

### **Leo Morley**

Occupation: Retired/Landlord

Occupational Background: 2013 - Retired GS4 Security Guard, Portland Amtrak Train Station; 2001-2009 - Laidlaw Transit Service. Lift service transit driver. Received safety driving award; 2004-2005 - Department of Veterans Affairs Portland Medical Center. Health Care aid staff in Escort Division; 1993-2004 - Please see community activities section, below; 1971-1993 - United States Navy - Honorably Discharged. Aviation Technician, E-6 (Petty Officer)

Educational Background: George Fox University (2000.2005) completion degree program for a Bachelor of Science in Project Management; Portland State University (1997-1999) Toward completion of a Bachelor of Business Administration degree Prior Governmental Experience: None

Community Activities: 2005-2019 Toastmasters International, member 1998-2004 Health care aid volunteer for the Department of Veterans Affairs Portland Medical Center. 2002-2005 Elder of Fellowship, Mt. Scott Park Presbyterian Church. 1998-2000 Chair, Mt. Scott-Arleta Neighborhood Association, Southeast Portland. 1997-1999 Portland Neighborhood Block Captain

I have applied project management principles to business solutions for more than 30 years in real estate investment and as a rental property owner. I was a Block Captain that motivated neighbors to protect their personal and property rights. Elected chair of the Mt. Scott-Arleta Neighborhood Association I adapted my leadership style to changing situations. As chair I worked with the Southeast Up-Lift office, Office of Neighborhood Involvement (ONI), Portland Police department, and the City of Portland

commissioners to develop project proposals and for sponsorship. I directed and coordinated Neighborhood's community festival, school fundraiser and carnival events that involved hundreds of attendees.
I am a former service member who knows how important it is for young men and women be able to perform in life with useful educational skills. Make sure every student is on a path to graduate and educationally equipped to lead. I'll use my experiences, my passion, and opportunity to help improve the lives of our children.
I support school vouchers and charter schools. School need to be now.
(This information furnished by Leo Morley)
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### **Multnomah Education Service District**

Director, Position 3, Zone 2

### **Mary Botkin**

Occupation: Small Business Owner, Legislative Advocate

Occupational Background: Legislative/ Political Director AFSCME; Staff to Sen. Monroe

& Sen. Bradbury; Business Accounting Professional

Educational Background: Glencoe, Vernon and Jefferson

Schools — Portland; Pacific NW Labor College — Marylhurst University; Labor History,

SUNY — Binghamton, NY

Prior Governmental Experience: Legislative/Political Director AFSCME; Staff Sen.

Monroe & Sen. Bradbury

Transition Team — Governors Goldschmidt & Kitzhaber; Civil Rights Commission — BOLI; Oregon Democratic National Committee Woman 1984-03, Chair, DNC Women's Caucus; Democratic Committee Person 1977-current.

**Endorsements** 

State Rep. Rob Nosse

Kristin Cornuelle, Chair, MESD Board

Joni Muller, AFSCME Local 1995

Margaret Doherty, former State Rep. (Retired Teacher)

Kevin Fitts, Mental Health Advocate

Sally Kissell, AFSCME Local 1995

Helen Ying, Director MESD

Susie Jones, Director MESD

Denyse Peterson, Director MESD

**MESD Education Association** 

As a third generation Oregonian, my family and I are all graduates of Oregon's public education system.

I believe that education is the great equalizer. I serve at MESD to assure that every student has a safe, accessible, free education regardless of their induvial circumstances. Their race, identity, physical limitations, economics, ethnic or religious beliefs should not limit their access to a full and complete educational experience.

My goals at MESD are to continue in my current position and conclude the work we have begun. These include passing and using the first Equity Lens in Oregon, and working with students and staff to create curriculum on our Hard History program that will illustrate and tell the real history of Oregon.

My legislative background includes being a key leader on many important issues, including establishing the Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday in Oregon and pushing our

state's original Pay Equity legislation. I organized and promoted our district's first-ever "MESD Day" at the capitol to ensure our voice is heard in Salem. I intend to continue to my work with fellow board members, staff, students and families at MESD to assure a safe working and learning environment that builds a future filled with limitless opportunities.
(This information furnished by Mary Botkin)
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### **Multnomah Education Service District**

Director, Position 3, Zone 2

#### **Walt Karnstein**

Occupation: Intellectual Property Attorney; Father of three past/present students in Portland public schools.

Occupational Background: Owner, Karnstein IP Law; Patent Development Director, HP Inc.; Partner, Kolisch Hartwell PC.

Educational Background: Northwestern University, B.S. Electrical Engineering; Willamette University, J.D.

Prior Governmental Experience: None

Community Involvement: American Bar Association - Law Practice Division (Chair, Budget Officer), Standing Committee on Continuing Legal Education, Standing Committee on Publishing Oversight; ALI-ABA Committee on Continuing Legal Education; Oregon State Bar - Intellectual Property Law Section Board of Directors, Oregon New Lawyers Division Chair; Multnomah Bar Association - YLS Board of Directors; Forest Park Neighborhood Association Board of Directors; Highlands Homeowners Association President; Friends of Timberline Lodge Board of Directors; FEMA Oregon/ Washington Volunteer Legal Services Coordinator; T-ball Coach; Basketball Coach

An effective education is one of the most important things that we can give to our kids. In order to provide all kids with the opportunity for that education, we have to ensure that schools have the resources necessary to bring kids safely back into the classrooms.

As the father of three past/present PPS students, I've been fortunate enough to see the positive impact of dedicated teachers working with parents to prepare our kids for the world. I've also seen the void left when our school community is suddenly gone. We have to be sure that schools are prepared for any future challenges, and that we have tools in place to meaningfully support all kids as they face those potential challenges.

Now is the time to reflect on the past year, to address learning deficits that may have resulted, and to make plans that will help our schools come back stronger than before. My experience gives me a unique perspective that will help MESD to improve educational outcomes for all students.

#### **Endorsements:**

David Ripma – Troutdale City Council President Kelly Stickel – Former Centennial School Board Vice Chair Patrick O'Harrow – Beaverton School District Project Coordinator Margaret Lynch – Special Education Teacher

Tamara Palmer – Former High School Teacher
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### **Multnomah Education Service District**

Director, Position 4, Zone 4

#### **Gabriel Braet**

Occupation: Small business owner

Occupational Background: Educational non-profit professional; math and science tutor;

biochemistry tutor

Educational Background: Southern Oregon University, biochemistry, BA; David Douglas

high school, diploma Prior Governmental Experience: Director of Finance and

Administration, ASSOU

The quality of our public education will determine the conditions of our future - if we can get Multnomah County's public education right, everything else will follow.

Born and raised in the David Douglas school district, I hold fond memories from my early involvement with the MESD which helped me build my leadership and professional skills. Yet my work on a national level has helped me recognize that in order to support all students in achieving their dreams, we must provide a wide variety of opportunities for them to grow.

As we transition back to in-person learning, we have a unique chance to reshape Multnomah County public education in a way that better facilitates the process of our young learners becoming tomorrow's leaders. As your MESD Board representative, I will commit myself to the following:

- Developing specialized programming and partnerships that appeal to a wide variety of career paths
- Ensuring that all students have an equal opportunity to succeed in our public educational institutions
- Improving outreach with parents, teachers, and community members to guarantee that the MESD is investing your tax dollars effectively
- Protecting parents' rights in education

"Gabriel has demonstrated his ability to think critically and solve problems in a variety of high-stakes situations. Please join me in supporting Gabriel Braet for MESD Zone 4." - James Hieb, Canby City Planning Commission and Director of Building Blocks Early Learning Center

Proudly Endorsed by:

James Hieb, Canby City Planning Commission and Director of Building Blocks Early Learning Center

Vic Liang, former secretary, IBEW Electrical Workers Minority Caucus (EWMC)

Richard Burke, Fmr. chair, Oregon Govt. Ethics Commission

Dmitriy Sashchenko, executive director, Slavic Vote

For more information, please visit votebraet.com	
(This information furnished by Gabriel Braet)	
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### **Multnomah Education Service District**

Director, Position 4, Zone 4

### **Jessica Arzate**

Occupation: Chief Impact Officer at Greater Than (education nonprofit in Reynolds and Hillsboro School Districts)

Occupational Background: Early Learning Multnomah Hub Manager at United Way; alternative education teacher and teaching assistant; ESL instructor Educational Background: CSU Long Beach, M.Ed in Dual Language Development; UC Irvine, BA in Anthropology

Prior Governmental Experience: MESD Vice-Chair (Present); OSBA Legislative Policy Committee; Student Success Act Rules Advisory Committee; Ethnic Studies Advisory Committee; School Board Members of Color Caucus Co-President (2017-2018); OAESD Governance Committee; National School Board Association Delegate Assembly Member

Jessica has over a decade experience as an educator and has been leading and coordinating efforts to improve outcomes for the children who face the most barriers.

Education is my life, both personally and professionally. I serve on the MESD because I am a product of alternative education. The MESD exists to meet the needs of our most vulnerable student populations. This includes students in alternative education, who are seeking multiple pathways to graduation.

The inequitable impacts of the pandemic are undeniably evident, but still not fully clear. As a board member, I will advocate for legislative policies that:

- 1. Improve inclusive and comprehensive education.
- 2.Increase and maintain the diversity of the educator workforce.
- 3. Support trauma-informed practices and mental health support for students.
- 4. Support statewide equitable systems.

I am the best candidate because I have demonstrated the ability to effectively work with school districts to advance equity, culturally sustaining education, and continuous improvement efforts that advance racially just learning environments for resilient youth and historically underserved student groups.

Proudly Standing with Jessica Ricki Ruiz, State Representative HD50 Khanh Pham, State Representative HD46 Eddy Morales, Gresham City Council Mario Palmero, Gresham City Council Jamie Kranz, City of Troutdale Shirley Craddick, Metro Council
Susheela Jayapal, Multnomah County Commissioner
Sonja Mckenzie, Parkrose School Board
Andrea Valerrama, David Douglas School Board
Mayra Gomez, Gresham-Barlow School Board
Yesenia Delgado, Reynolds School Board
Katrina Doughty, Helen Ying, MESD Board
MESD Education Association
East County Rising
Stand for Children

(This information furnished by Jessica Arzate)

### **Multnomah Education Service District**

Director, Position 1, Zone 5

### **Amanda Squiemphen-Yazzie**

Occupation: Small Business Owner; Squiemphen-Yazzie Strategies, LLC Occupational Background: Consulting services with campaigns and community organizations across Oregon, SUN Community School Intern; Pegasus Social Services Educational Background: Portland State University, MS, Social Work (expected completion June 2022); Portland State, BS, Social Work; Portland State University, Minor, Civic Engagement; Portland Community College: Associate's Degree, Applied Science

Prior Governmental Experience: Multnomah County, Community Involvement Committee; City of Portland, Portland Clean Energy Benefits Fund Committee; Board of Directors, Next Up Oregon; East County Rising; Oregon Indian Education Association

Katrina Doughty and Jessica Arzate, Multnomah Education Service District Directors, endorse Amanda!

I'm Amanda Squiemphen-Yazzie, a proud Warm Springs, Wasco, Navajo, Yakama woman. I invest my time in the Gresham community, the traditional homelands of the Chinook & Cowlitz people. I'm ready to utilize both my lived and professional experiences to invest in the next generation of leaders and ensure every student can achieve their full excellence.

### As your MESD Director, I will:

- Break down learning barriers for kids and make decisions with a trauma-informed lens.
- Build transparent relationships where every voice has a say in decisions.
- Recruit and retain diverse faculty and staff that reflect our community.
- Uplift an equitable system that is rooted in restorative justice to keep our kids learning and in school.
- Ensure every student has access to comprehensive and quality health services.

Proudly Endorsed By:
Stand for Children
East County Rising
NARAL Pro-Choice Oregon
Annette Mattson, MHCC-Board, Trustee
Chris Gorsek, State Senator
Ricki Ruiz, State Representative

Jeff Reardon, State Representative
Lori Stegmann, Multnomah County Commissioner
Susheela Jayapal, Multnomah County Commissioner
Scott Harden, Woodvillage Mayor
Amanda Orozco-Beach, Gresham Barlow School Board
Carla Piluso, Gresham Barlow School Board
Ana Gonzalez Munoz, Reynolds School District Board
Andrea Valderrama, David Douglas School District
Sahar Yarjani Muranovic, David Douglas School District
Gresham City Councilors: Eddy Morales, Vince Jones-Dixon, Mario Palmero Jamie
Franz, Troutdale City Councilor

Learn more: www.amandafororegon.com

(This information furnished by Amanda Squiemphen-Yazzie)

### **Multnomah Education Service District**

Director, Position 1, Zone 5

#### **Susie Jones**

Occupation: Retired

Occupational Background: Teacher, Mt. Hood Community College, 1999-2011; Teacher, David Douglas School District, 1991-1999; Teacher, North Clackamas School District, 1982-1991 Clerical, Schnitzer Steel Products, 1980; Musician, Disneyland, 1979

Educational Background: University of Portand, Music, MM; University of Portland, Music

Ed BME; Mt. Hood CC General Studies

Prior Governmental Experience: 1 MESD Director, 2017-present; Mt. Hood CC Director, 2013-2017

As a board member of MESD I will:

- Support the mission of MESD and hold the district accountable to it's mission
- Work collaboratively with others
- Exercise fiscal oversight to ensure that tax dollars are used efficiently and effectively
- Demand honesty and transparency
- Prioritize equitable education so that all students have the opportunity to reach their potential

In my 30-year career in education, I taught every grade level from 4th grade through community college. My experience as a front-line educator provides me with first-hand knowledge of how policy decisions affect the classroom and student outcomes. Additionally, my prior experience on the MHCC Board and my current experience on the MESD Board have given me further insight into budgeting and audits, collective bargaining, visioning, and accountability.

(This information furnished by Susie Jones)

# Mt Hood Community College

Director, Zone 1

#### **Diane McKeel**

Occupation: Oxbow LLC Development

Occupational Background: Multnomah County Commissioner; West Columbia Gorge Chamber Executive Director; Dental Hygienist

Educational Background: University of Oregon, Health Education, BS; Oregon Health and Sciences University, RDH

Prior Governmental Experience: Mt. Hood Community College Board of Directors, Multnomah County Commissioner, National Association of Counties Veterans Committee.

I am a candidate for re-election to the Mt. Hood Community College Board of Directors. It has been my honor to serve on this board for the past 4 years.

We have been through challenging times yet I am constantly impressed by my board colleagues, college leadership, faculty, staff, community and most of all our students. They are resilient, innovative and committed. We can all be proud of our talented and respected team at Mt. Hood Community College.

"Diane McKeel has brought a fresh and effective view to the Mt. Hood Community College board, making difficult decisions when needed to meet the challenges, all the while prioritizing what is important for student success." Sue O'Halloran of KMO Real Estate

I believe education is more important than ever. Through these unprecedented challenges we face, we move forward. Community colleges are critical in providing opportunities for all students whether earning a certificate, an associate degree, transferring to a four-year school, or improving job skills or personal skills.

You have my commitment to keep Mt. Hood Community College affordable, accessible, and inclusive. Community colleges provide pathways to good paying jobs, partnerships, individual achievements, community and family stability. Mt. Hood Community College stands at the forefront, receiving awards and recognition for outstanding contributions. I have been effective in working with my board colleagues developing our campus wide equity lens, updating our strategic plan and continued budget oversight all with a student supported focus.

"Diane McKeel has the interest of all students in mind. Diane has always worked hard for East County and will continue to work hard for the students of Mt. Hood Community College." Gresham Mayor Travis Stovall

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# Mt Hood Community College

Director, Zone 2

#### **Marie Teune**

Occupation: Principal Real Estate Broker Occupational Background: Self Employed

Educational Background: Newberg High School, Grade 12, General Studies

Prior Governmental Experience: Oregon Trail

School District Board Director (Odsd)(Present); Otsd Budget Committee, Oregon Trail Education Foundation Chair; Sandy Area Chamber Of Commerce; Sandy Area Buyers Pool; Trauma Intervention Program Volunteer; Sandy Tackle Football Board (Vp); Shs Booster Club President; Parent/Teacher Club Committees At Boring Middle, Naas Elementary

I have been very involved in our community in many capacities for 30+ years, primarily in the schools. 4 of my children went through the Oregon Trail School District. 3 of them continued their education at MHCC. I currently serve on the OTSD Board of Directors, which I have found to be interesting, challenging, educational and fulfilling. I am very proud to be part of this community that takes so much pride in our education system. This past year with the challenges COVID-19 has put on school districts nationwide, I am proud to see how hard our District Staff and parents are working to make this temporary situation work successfully for our students. It has truly added another dimension to the phrase "educational system." Now more than ever it is vital to have folks you know and can reach out to representing our community.

Also in my profession, I have developed key communication and listening skills as well as strong relationships with many of you in our community. I have gained insight and perspective about what quality public education means for our children and our local economy. These key factors are important in continuing to advocate for our community, parents, students and staff on the MHCC Board of Education.

(This information furnished by Marie Teune)

# Mt Hood Community College

Director, Zone 2

### **James Zordich**

Occupation: Retired

Occupational Background: Museum Curator (Emeritus), Los Angeles County Museum of

**Natural History** 

Educational Background: California State University at Los Angeles, Bachelor of Arts, Industrial Education; Santa Monica Community College, Associate of Arts, Pre-Secondary Education.

Prior Governmental Experience: Serving my second term as a trustee on the Mt. Hood Community College Board of Education

It has been my honor to serve as the senior member of the Mt. Hood Community College Board of Education. During my two terms of office (2013-2021), I have become a more competent and aware administrator, fully focused on the college's educational promise and obligations. Nonetheless, serving the community as a member of the college's Board of Education has proven to be a challenging and rewarding experience. In that regard, I would like to continue my institutional stewardship, and hope that the community will re-elect me to a third term of office (2021-2025), representing South Gresham and the Mt. Hood Corridor of North Clackamas County.

Community colleges continue to gain greater stature as providers of post-secondary education, particularly career and technical education (CTE). It is my sincere desire to continue promoting these educational opportunities.

Mt. Hood Community College is an East County jewel and deserves the support of the community it serves.

(This information furnished by James Zordich)

# Mt Hood Community College

Director, Zone 4

#### **Annette L Mattson**

Occupation: Elected Volunteer serving as Director, Mt. Hood Community College & Past President, Oregon Community College Association

Occupational Background: Government Affairs & Public Policy Specialist; Project Manager; Utility/Consumer Liaison; Customer Service Representative; Receptionist; Waitress

Educational Background: Warner Pacific College - Human Development, BS; Mt. Hood Community College - General Studies, AS

Prior Governmental Experience: MHCC Board – 4 years; OCCA Board – 3 years, President 2019; David Douglas Board – 18 years, Chair 3 years; Oregon School Board Association – 7 years, President 2009; Metro Policy Advisory Committee – 6 years; Powell Valley Road Water District Budget Committee – 2 years; Multnomah County Charter review committee – 1 year; Precinct Committee Person – about 20 years

Community Involvement: Current – Our Children Oregon & Gresham United Methodist Ministries Board; East Portland Action Plan; Past – Zenger Farm; Eastside Egg Co-op; Earl Boyles Early Learning Center Capitol Committee; David Douglas Citizens for Schools

Supported by your local leaders & organizations, including: Representative Jeff Reardon Multnomah County Auditor Jennifer McGuirk Gresham City Councilor Eddy Morales Gresham Barlow Board member Carla Piluso Metro Councilor Shirley Craddick

Democrat Activist Marcia Schneider East County Rising

"Annette is devoted to equitable outcomes for all students." Senator Kayse Jama

"Annette's many years on a local school board makes her uniquely qualified to bridge the community college programs to the local high schools. This enables a higher quality education for those students." Frieda Christopher – David Douglas School District Board Member

"From her past on the David Douglas board to her current time at MHCC, Annette believes in putting students first." Stephanie Stephens – Board Member, David Douglas SD

"My priorities at MHCC are data driven decision making, effective use of tax and tuition dollars, and ensuring every decision is grounded in Equity. As a trustee I will continue to

work to ensure MHCC is a safe, respectful, and supportive place for everyone. Quality post-secondary education is key to making a good living, achieving dreams, and protecting democracy." Annette Mattson
(This information furnished by Annette L Mattson)
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# **Portland Community College**

Director, Zone 4

#### Serin Bussell

Occupation: Procurement Analyst, Portland Parks & Recreation Bureau; Community Organizer (she/her)

Occupational Background: Chief of Staff, Oregon State Senator Jeff Golden; Board Chair, Crag Law Center

Educational Background: MBA, Willamette University;

MS Geology, PSU; BA Earth Science, Boston University; Student, PCC Business Development Courses

Prior Governmental Experience: Geologist, Oregon Department of Geology and Mineral Industries; Management Analyst, Metro Regional Government; Chair, Portland Open & Accountable Elections Commission; Precinct Committee Person, Multnomah County

### SERIN'S EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:

- Tuition Reform As a former PCC student, I know how challenging paying for education can be. I will fight to contain costs and leverage State and Federal dollars, so students can graduate with financial stability.
- Equity & Inclusion PCC must end racial and economic disparities in student enrollment, performance, and completion, and in hiring and retention of employees.
- Food & Housing Security I will help PCC Pathways to Opportunity strengthen partnerships with nonprofits and community-based organizations, to ensure all students have a safe roof over their head and food on the table.
- Healthcare for All I have many connections with PCC faculty and staff, and understand their healthcare needs. PCC can be a leader in ensuring all students, faculty, and staff have quality, affordable healthcare.
- "Serin is exactly what PCC's board needs: a smart, hard.working, and engaged advocate for students, faculty, and staff." Aurora del Val, Former PCC Instructor & PCCFFAP Faculty Representative-Southeast

#### **ENDORSEMENTS:**

PCC Federation of Faculty and Academic Professionals

PCC Federation of Classified Employees

PCC Board Member Alex Diaz Rios

State Representatives Winsvey Campos, Dacia Grayber, Courtney Neron, Rob Nosse, Khanh Pham, Rachel Prusak, Ricki Ruiz

Former State Representative Alissa Keny-Guyer

State Senators Jeff Golden, Kate Lieber, Deb Patterson Beaverton Mayor Lacey Beaty
Hillsboro City Councilor Olivia Alcaire
Former Portland City Commissioner Amanda Fritz
Washington County Commissioner Nafisa Fai
MESD Board Member Katrina Doughty
Gresham-Barlow School Board Member Amanda Orozco-Beach Working Families Party
Oregon Progressive Party
NW Oregon Labor Council
Pacific Northwest Regional Council of Carpenters
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(This information furnished by Friends of Serin Bussell)

# **Portland Community College**

Director, Zone 4

### Jim Harper

Occupation: Oregon Real Estate Broker

Occupational Background: Executive Director, C.A.S.H. (Creating, Assets, Savings, and Hope); Vice-President, Morrison Child and Family Services; Executive Director, Arras Corp; Director of Human Resources, Wacker Siltronic; Division Manager, Tektronix, Inc. Educational Background: Gaston High School, Diploma General; Portland State University, General Studies, BS with emphasis on education.

Prior Governmental Experience: School-to-Career Liaison for Multnomah County

Jim Harper has proven and effective leadership skills at the Local, State and National level:

Local: Chair of PCC Board of Directors three different times; PCC Foundation Board of Directors for 26 plus years

State: Past Chair of Oregon Community College Association (awarded their Howard Cherry Annual award for outstanding trustee 2011); Past Ex-Officio member of the Oregon School Boards Association (2006-2014).

National: Served two terms as elected member of the ACCT (National Board of Community Trustees); Served two years as the ACCT Pacific Region Director; Awarded the Pacific Region Trustee Leadership Award 2011.

PCC is a place where students can earn a quality education via: a certificate, associate degree or get started in their pursuit of a four year degree. PCC also provides an excellent technical education to individuals who are interested in new skills or improving their existing skills.

I am dedicated to student success, accessibility and affordability.

PLEASE RE-ELECT JIM HARPER TO ZONE 4 DIRECTOR TO ENSURE THAT I CAN CONTINUE MY WORK!

(This information furnished by Jim Harper)

# **Portland Community College**

Director, Zone 4

### **Dmitriy Sashchenko**

Occupation: Executive Director & Co-Founder, Slavic Vote, Non-Profit

Occupational Background: KiwBasa Catering & Events, New Seasons, Value Added

Lead, Volunteered on multiple non-partisan races

Educational Background: Oregon Culinary Institute, Diploma, IRCO/Engage Community

Development

Prior Governmental Experience: Multnomah County Census Outreach Specialist,

Commissioner Lori Stegmann, PCP

Growing up in a large immigrant family, I have always placed a high value on the opportunities that education provides. PCC offers a more affordable alternative to local students wishing to develop professional skills and enhance their knowledge. To me and my family, community colleges have always represented a path to success in the American dream.

Still, many immigrants and first-generation students are marginalized by the college application and enrollment process. Without a close relationship with someone who has completed the process, navigating this complex financial and sometimes bureaucratic decision, many lose hope.

We can do better.

As we transition back to in-person learning, we have a unique opportunity to reshape our education to make it more equitable, sustainable, and convenient for all students.

As Director for Portland Community College, I will be able to represent a voice that is often missing at the table where decisions are made.

The difficulties and hurdles facing students today are greater than they ever have been and it's time we fix this. Together, we can fight to help all students by

- lowering the cost of tuition and books to rid PCC of the obstacles
- Providing desperately needed resources to immigrants
- •Engaging with all stakeholders to ensure our college empowers students to be leaders within Multnomah Cunty

I humbly ask for your vote.

Endorsed by:

- Jack Kerfoot
  James Hieb Canby City Planning Commission
  Richard P. Burke Fmr. Chair, Oregon Govt. Ethics Commission
  Gabiel Braet President, James Anthony Braet LLC
  Bridget Barton Principal, Third Century Solutions
  Andrey Ivanov Flash Love Non- Prof Org.
  Liliya Zhukova Start Here Consulting
- Sue Piazza Gresham City Councilor
  Ben Edtl Executive Director, Free Oregon PAC

• Andrey Georgiyev – Slavic Smirna Church, Youth Pastor

(This information furnished by Dmitriy Sashchenko)

# **Portland Community College**

Director, Zone 5

#### **Dan Saltzman**

Occupation: Community Volunteer

Occupational Background: Owner, Environmental Management Solutions

Educational Background: MS, Massachusetts Institute of Technology; BS, Cornell

University; Beaverton High School

Prior Governmental Experience: Portland City Commissioner; Multnomah County

Commissioner; PCC Board of Directors

I ask for your support to continue serving on the PCC Board because I cherish the role of our community colleges: a place where people from all nations, cultures, and walks of life come to seek a better life, opportunity, and happiness. As the grandson of immigrants, I believe It is more important than ever that PCC be a diverse and welcoming place for immigrants and refugees.

But that vision is threatened by harsh realities facing our students:

- Lack of affordable housing and homelessness
- Food insecurity
- Increasing tuition and other expenses

During 30 years of elected service on the PCC Board, at Multnomah County and the City of Portland, I have worked on these issues and have shown I understand the importance of balanced budgets, establishing policy, good labor relations, and listening to concerns of our students and residents.

### My priorities include:

- Ensuring programs remain relevant and in demand by employers.
- Helping veterans transition their skills to the private or public sector.
- Expanding the number of students and scholarships for the Portland Teacher's Program, a joint program of PSU and PCC, to increase the number of minority teachers in our local schools.
- Creating a learning center in the Beaverton Town Center, convenient for neighbors, bus, and light rail commuters.
- Partnering with Meals-on-Wheels to provide services for food insecure students and their families.
- Ensuring every student has an equal shot at success, and that they complete their studies; that our workforce reflects our population; and that we provide procurement opportunities for minority and women-owned businesses.

I will also push for PCC to consider partnering with Portland or Metro to obtain bond funds to develop housing for struggling students, and to think creatively on developing vacant PCC land or surface parking lots into affordable housing.
I would appreciate your vote.
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### **Beaverton School District**

Director, Zone 2

#### Karen Pérez-Da Silva

Occupation: K-12 Systems Administrator, Education Northwest

Occupational Background: Teacher, Beaverton School District (1999–2016); Adjunct Professor, Lewis and Clark Graduate School of Education; District Administrator,

**Eugene School District 4J** 

Educational Background: Doctorate, Lewis and Clark Graduate School of Education; Masters in Special Education and Elementary Education, Portland State University Prior Governmental Experience: Oregon Department of Education, English Language Learner Task Force member; Oregon Association of Latino Administrators, Vice President

BEAVERTON STUDENTS DESERVE LEADERS WHO ARE IN THEIR CORNER As a mom to two Barnes Elementary students and a lifelong educator, Dr. Karen Pérez-Da Silva knows the challenges facing our schools—and she knows how we can fix them.

AN EXPERIENCED EDUCATOR AND LEADER. After 20 years as a classroom teacher, Karen has continued working to improve schools and districts as a teacher, mentor, administrator, advisor, and parent-teacher organization member.

PUTTING STUDENTS FIRST. Karen will create budgets and policies that prioritize the needs of Beaverton's 41,000 students. This is crucial as COVID has caused thousands of students to fall behind academically and negatively impacted their mental health and well-being.

CREATING SCHOOLS WHERE EVERYONE BELONGS. Karen will work with everyone in our school communities - from bus drivers, teachers, parents, and principals to local government and business leaders - to ensure Beaverton's schools are welcoming and safe to students of all races, zip codes, religions, and cultures. COMMUNITY

DECISION-MAKING. When students and communities have a voice, leaders make better decisions and students have better outcomes. Karen will improve public access to decision-making, so families have a school board that doesn't just listen, but connects.

ENDORSEMENTS Beaverton School Board Members: Donna Tyner, Tom Colett, Susan

Greenberg, LeeAnn Larsen

Oregon Education Association

**Beaverton Education Association** 

Planned Parenthood PAC of Oregon

**Beaverton Mayor Lacey Beaty** 

Beaverton City Councilors Nadia Hasan,

Metro Councilor, District 4 Juan Carlos González

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### **Centennial School District**

Director, Position 1, Zone 1

#### **David Linn**

Occupation: Executive Assistant at the Oregon Board of Examiners for Speech-language Pathology & Audiology

Occupational Background: Assistant for Board of Naturopathic Medicine; Ballot Measure Outreach Defend Oregon

Educational Background: Masters of Public Administration, Local Government Specialist – Portland State University 2015; Bachelors of Arts in Politics & History – Portland State University 2005; Madison High School 2000.

Prior Governmental Experience: Centennial Neighborhood Emergency Team 2021; Montavilla Neighborhood Association 2005-2018 - Chair 2008-09, 2017-18; Multnomah County Democrats District Leader 2019-20 Assistant District Leader 2017-18; SEIU 503 Union Steward and Sub-Local President 2010-12; Oregon Memorial Association Board Director 20152018.

### Message:

I am a father of a Centennial 6th grader, a dedicated husband, and a committed community activist. I have spent my life serving the community of East Portland. I am running for the Centennial School Board because I have seen first-hand the problems facing the Centennial schools, students, and teachers as we recover from the pandemic. We must come back stronger and more resilient than before. Some families in this community will need far more help than others to recover, and Centennial Schools must be at the forefront of those efforts.

The school board directors are stewards of the public trust and tax dollar. Administering contracts of public property and personnel requires an approach that the best deal is not always the cheapest or quickest easiest options. Accountability and the responsibility of creating a positive culture begins at the top. I want to continue and expand on the work the previous board has done to emphasize equity, diversity, and inclusion.

We need people on the school board who can make hard decisions in these hard times.

#### **Endorsements:**

**Centennial Educational Association** 

Oregon Education Association

East County Rising

Stand For Children

Amanda Schroeder Centennial Board Director Position 7

Andrea Valderrama Chair, David Douglas School Board

Rickie Ruiz, Oregon House Representative District 50

Eddie Morales, Gresham City Council

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## **Centennial School District**

Director, Position 5, Zone 3

#### Claudia Andrews

Occupation: Director, Centennial School Board; Member Centennial School District Bond Oversight Committee

Occupational Background: Retired Chief Operating Officer, Bonneville Power Administration. Throughout my 26 years at Bonneville, I held various executive, managerial, and staff positions including Chief Operating Officer; Chief Financial Officer; Chief Risk Officer; and Treasurer.

Educational Background: Willamette University, Finance MBA; St. Olaf College, Biology/French BA; Gresham High School diploma.

Prior Governmental Experience: Director, Centennial School Board; Member, Centennial School District Budget Committee; 30-year federal government career with Bonneville Power Administration, US Department of State, and US Forest Service.

Pandemic recovery must be the focus of every elected official, including school board members. Students and staff are suffering. I intend to intensify the focus on education recovery over the course of my tenure. Aligning the existing strategy, called Centennial Destination 2023, with pandemic recovery goals and objectives will provide a roadmap to student success. The elements of the strategy, 1) student-focused teaching and learning, 2) healthy culture and environment, 3) effective systems and programs, and 4) community and partnerships, should be used to establish specific goals to address student and staff needs. Aligning the budget with these goals will ensure that the money is most directly used to students' benefit.

Centennial's equity goal - that each and every learner receives the resources they need individually to thrive in our schools no matter what - should guide the board and staff in remedying the inequities that have been exacerbated by the pandemic. I am dedicated to once more making school a constant in kids' lives.

Centennial voters generously passed a bond levy last year. I intend to ensure that bond proceeds are spent prudently and effectively. Centennial school facilities are a big part of our community. The investments will provide improved educational opportunities to our students and better facilities for our staff. I intend to demonstrate that the Centennial School District is worthy of voters' trust.

(This information furnished by Claudia Andrews)

## **Centennial School District**

Director, Position 6, At-Large

## **Rod Boettcher**

Occupation: Retired

Occupational Background: Director of Financial Aid, MHCC; Financial Aid and

Academic Counselor, MHCC.

Educational Background: BS, Psychology and grad work in educational counseling,

PSU; BS Science Education, OSU; AS, MHCC; HS, Centennial.

Prior Governmental Experience: 29-year incumbent, School Board Director, Centennial

School District.

Hard work. Experience. Dedication. Always interdependent, but each individually important. This is what I have modeled and will continue to bring to the position.

In my 29 years on this board, I will have attended (about) 522 board meetings, 120 executive meetings, more than 75 extra work sessions, 20 all-day professional trainings, 100 budget meetings, hundreds of hours of bond election canvassing ... and other ad hoc activities too numerous to mention.

That hard work has gained me experience in a wide range of educational methods in the decision-making process to move initiatives from good ideas to board policies. Knowing the behind-the-scenes workings frees a director to concentrate on decisions for the bigger picture issues, such as our diversity agenda in our Destination 2023 goals.

Dedication to see Centennial succeed evolved from knowing that my diverse experiences have continued to shape district policies that are good for kids and economical for the taxpayers. Being good stewards of tax revenues is a hallmark of responsible board work.

This will be my last term. I have two projects that I need to complete before I finish my contributions to my alma mater school district.

One is as Chair of the Bond Oversight Committee. The \$65M bond and \$7.5M state match needs citizen oversight to ensure transparency. Knowledgeable leadership is critical to navigate the last 18 months of spending taxpayer funds as promised to create an excellent learning environment for the kids and teachers.

The other is to continue to grow and support the equity work in which the district is engaged. We have been working on the building blocks to create an equity model that helps all our districts' kids succeed.

I ask for your vote.

(This information furnished by Rod Boettcher)	
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# **Centennial School District**

Director, Position 6, At-Large

### **Erica Fuller**

Occupation: Community Organizer and Small Business Owner Occupational Background: Community Organizer, Consultant

Educational Background: Centennial High School, Mt. Hood Community College,

Oregon State University

Prior Governmental Experience: Precinct Committee Person, Program Director - College

**Democrats of America** 

Community Leader with Community in Mind

## Dear Community,

I have lived in Rockwood my entire life and earned my K-12 education in the Centennial School District. I have grown, lived, and learned with all of you and I am now ready to serve your families and future generations as a member of the Centennial School Board.

Together, we can make Centennial School leadership reflective of the families it serves and improve educational outcomes for all. I'm passionate about leadership and I know that our community is stronger when our students and families succeed.

#### Erica's Priorities:

- Recognizing that student success is tied to more than the classroom experience.
- Addressing the Mental Health Crisis among our students.
- Advocating for School Based Health Clinics to provide critical services like mental health and dental care to all students.
- Creating Food Security: COVID has proven that we can feed breakfast and lunch to all students at no cost to them. It's time to make this policy.
- Advocating for Services for Students Experiencing Homelessness. Houselessness is an epidemic and as your next school board director I will work hard to make sure resources are available to students and families.

Community Leaders support Erica:

State Representative Ricki Ruiz

Former State Representative, Carla Piluso

Gresham City Councilors Eddy Morales, Mario Palmero, and Vince Jones-Dixon

Metro Councilor Shirley Craddick

Metro Councilor, Christine Lewis

Andrea Valderrama, David Douglas School Board Chair Katrina Daughty, MESD Jessica Arzate, MESD Sonja McKenzie, Parkrose School Board Chair Mayra Gomez, Gresham Barlow School Board Stand for Children Oregon Education Association Centennial Education Association NARAL Pro-Choice Oregon PAC East County Rising PAC
(This information furnished by Erica Fuller)
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# **Centennial School District**

Director, Position 7, At-Large

## **Heath Curry**

Occupation: Paralegal, Parent.

Occupational Background: Juvenile Justice Defense, Civil Litigation.

Educational Background: Reynolds High School, class of 1992; Portland Community

College AAS Paralegal; Pennsylvania State University BS Political Science.

Prior Governmental Experience: Elected precinct committeeperson, precinct 5001, House District 50; delegate for SEIU Local 503 General Counsel; Committeeperson for SEIU Stavend Committee of March on SEIU Lotin V Counsel

SEIU Steward Committee; Member, SEIU LatinX Caucus.

I am running for the Centennial school board to bring a parent's voice, and a juvenile advocate's experience to the board, as well work with other board members, parents, and faculty as we move to in person learning during these tough times with Covid-19 in our community. As well, having worked with adolescents in both the delinquency and dependency areas of law, I know the importance of school and helping kids and their parents engage with districts to improve, attendance, graduation rates, and help students and parents succeed in a challenging time such as this.

We know from countless studies, that keeping kids in school is paramount to their further success in life. We also know that the greater engagement from parents with their children's schools, results in their kid's greater success in school. I would like to work with the board, faculty, students, and parents to ensure that we are doing everything we can for students of all socioeconomic backgrounds to succeed not just in school, or to go on to college, but also take advantage of opportunities in the trades, with mentorships and apprenticeships and other community mentorship opportunities that will bolster a student's success in life.

Endorsed by:

Oregon State Representative Ricki Ruiz, HD 50.

Oregon Education Association.

Centennial Education Association.

Stand For Children

(This information furnished by Heath Curry)
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# **Corbett School District**

Director, Position 2

### **Todd Mickalson**

Occupation: LV Electrical GF

Occupational Background: LV Electrical

Educational Background: Corbett HS, Lane Comm College Prior Governmental Experience: CSD Board of Directors

Corbett is home. Many in the community know me well. 2 years ago, District voters, voted in 2 new candidates to help work on several important issues for the community. Decrease the CSD student population, get a small bond passed so we could get the students and staff out of the current failing middle school building, increase CTE, decreasing the amount of required AP classes, while still maintaining a robust AP offering for the students. These were all things that the community felt were important during the Saxton report process. We were able to accomplish those ideas swiftly. We need to continue to slowly reduce student population to fit comfortably in our CSD building footprints. This process needs to be done affordably and equitably. We know the community cannot afford a bond for the square footage needed for a new high school at the current population. The previous Superintendent stated often that we needed to add 80 students so the school district could survive. After much research I found there were ways of cost savings and was able to point it out during the budget processes. The board only allowed 40. This was still a decrease in population, but not as much as planned. This brought up something I never thought would happen in Corbett, "Cancel Culture". Smears and mistruths by a small group to question my character and family name. They thought adding the 80 students was the only option CSD had. Staying positive, focused and with support of my wife, children and community members, we got the job done. If re-elected, I will continue to do what's right for the Corbett community and students attending the district. "This election will be a litmus test" as to the direction the community wants CSD to go. To keep CSD going in the right direction, vote for Todd Mickalson.

(This information furnished by Todd Mickalson)

# **Corbett School District**

Director, Position 2

## Vanessa Lyon

Occupation: Naturopathic Family Doctor and Midwife

Occupational Background: Practicing medicine for 11 years

Educational Background: University of Portland, BA; National University of Natural Medicine, ND Prior Governmental Experience: Visions and Values Committee; Corbett

**School District** 

As a family doctor, my ultimate goal is the health and wellness of families. This last year has been incredibly challenging in terms of the physical and emotional wellbeing for almost everyone, especially our children. The unique challenges of meeting the needs of our children while balancing the health and safety of teachers and staff will be especially acute this next year. I have a particular passion to ensure students have access to mental health services, a physically safe school environment, and diverse academic opportunities. Not only do we need to meet these needs now, we as a school district must create a strategic 5-10 year plan, so these needs in addition to others, are met each and every year.

If elected, I intend to advocate for the following:

- Consider "Kids First" in all decision making
- Viable plan for a safe building for our middle school students
- Commitment to ethical leadership
- Thorough, community involved search for permanent Superintendent
- Commit to stable funding for quality programs (academics, arts, sports, counseling, CTE)
- Continue the work addressing Equity, Diversity, Inclusion, and Antiracism
- Improved communications from Board and District with Corbett community

It would be an honor to serve on the Corbett School board. My children have thrived in this district and I look forward to helping shape an even brighter future for all Corbett students.

Proud to be endorsed by the following members of the Corbett community: Michelle Vo, Chair, Corbett School Board David Gorman, Vice Chair, Corbett School Board

Bob Buttke, Corbett School Board member
Stephanie Nystrom, Corbett School Budget Committee
Andre Bell-Watkins, Firefighter
Summer Bell-Watkins, Teacher and Corbett Graduate
Jennifer Prince, Teacher
Daniel Prince, Educator
(This information furnished by Vanessa Lyon)

## **Corbett School District**

Director, Position 3

#### Michelle Vo

Occupation: Architect and Vice President at Hennebery Eddy Architects in Portland. Occupational Background: Architect with experience designing public and private K-12 schools, fire stations, commercial, and aviation projects. Leader of our firm's Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Committee.

Educational Background: University of Washington, Bachelor of Arts in Architectural Studies; Southern California Institute of Architecture (SCI-Arc), Master of Architecture. Prior Governmental Experience: Corbett School Board, current Board Chair; Oregon School Boards Association (OSBA), former Board Member and Legislative Policy Committee Member; former City of Gresham Design Commissioner.

## Clarity of Mission

Corbett kids deserve the best learning environment we can give them. This means inperson learning in safe facilities with educators empowered and supported by their leaders and community to do their best for each child.

### **Priorities**

I believe our immediate priorities should be:

- Return to In-Person Instruction helping each student recover from lost academic progress and emotional stress.
- Responsible Bond Projects manage bond projects to achieve as much as we can with the dollars in hand.
- Budget and Enrollment right-size the District to achieve a balance of enrollment and budget, providing a close-knit school community offering rich academic and extra.curricular opportunities.
- Build a Diverse Community empowering students and providing diverse perspectives with initiatives aimed at improving diversity, equity and inclusion impacting all levels of our campus communities.
- Stabilize Leadership fill the position of permanent superintendent through a public process to establish stabilized leadership.

## **Actions**

I will focus on these priorities by:

• Supporting academic recovery and in-person instruction, bringing our kids back strong from the pandemic.

Maximizing our bond dollars by responsibly overseeing design and construction activities.
<ul> <li>Responsibly managing enrollment reductions that balance budget and school size concerns.</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Advocating for improvements in diversity, equity and inclusion at all levels of our campus communities.</li> </ul>
• Filling our permanent superintendent position through a robust public process.
Corbett kids deserve our best!
(This information furnished by Michelle Vo)
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# **Corbett School District**

Director, Position 4

## **David Granberg**

Occupation: Electrician, IBEW LU 48, 2000-Present

Occupational Background: Electrical Apprentice; Inside Wireman; Foreman; General

Foreman

Educational Background: NECA-IBEW 48 Training Center, Oregon General Journeyman

Electrical License; Corbett Schools, Diploma

Prior Governmental Experience: Corbett interim Superintendent Advisory Committee

2020

I ask for your vote to join the Corbett School Board so that I might help in bringing more exposure and education to students with a desire and an aptitude towards crafts, trades and technical training at the same level as the AP curriculum that has been offered. While I fully support helping the kids that can take full advantage of AP classes and tests, I feel that too long we have neglected a large population of children that will thrive in careers that will not require them to bury themselves in lifelong debt from a University. As a graduating member of CHS in 1997 I can speak first hand as to how successful a student can be without enrolling in higher education.

I currently spend some of my free time showing young people about profitable trades jobs that aren't traditionally discussed in schools. As someone who has mentored youth I can speak to how college is an appropriate choice for some, but not others.

I have lived my entire life in Corbett. Both of my parents, all four of my grandparents, my wife and myself all graduated from Corbett High School. Our household currently has three children attending Corbett Schools. My volunteering in coaching sports started when I was 16 and continued over many years here in Corbett. Last year I was on the interim Superintendent advisory committee and would like to help finalize the position.

A full and robust community and economy both require a full range of talents and careers in order to function. I ask that you allow me to help the administration and the very talented teaching staff at Corbett help our children in reaching their full protentional.

(This information furnished by David Granberg)

# **Corbett School District**

Director, Position 4

### **Leah Fredericks**

Occupation: Project Manager Development, T-Mobile

Occupational Background: 20 years of experience in project management and

development focused on real estate, permitting, construction and regulatory compliance.

Educational Background: Hamline University, BA

Environmental Studies/ Business; Portland State University, Master of International

Management

Prior Governmental Experience: NA

Growing up, I received an amazing public school education and became the first person in my family to receive a Master's degree. I want to be able to share what I have learned through education and work experience to ensure that all CSD students have that same opportunity. I am seeking this position because I see the challenges we face in guaranteeing the long-term security of our programs and teachers and providing safe facilities for our students.

As a member of the CSD Board of Directors I will:

- Call on my extensive background in facilities development and budgeting to create safe spaces for our students to learn.
- Help select a Superintendent that shares our values of inclusion, fiscal responsibility, sustainable class sizes, mental health support and providing the excellent education that Corbett is known for.
- Collaborate openly and transparently with community members, board members and District stakeholders to evaluate challenges and perform the due diligence necessary to make informed and confident decisions that will serve CSD students for years to come.

While we do face challenges, CSD has dedicated and passionate teachers and staff, involved parents and amazing students that have overcome unprecedented circumstances this past year. As a fellow Corbett resident and parent of a Corbett student, I look forward to supporting all of us as we look forward to the future!

Proud to be endorsed by the following members of the Corbett community:

Michelle Vo, Chair, Corbett School Board

David Gorman, Vice Chair, Corbett School Board

Bob Buttke, Corbett School Board member

Stephanie Nystrom, Corbett School Budget Committee

Andre Bell-Watkins, Firefighter

Summer Bell-Watkins, Teacher and Corbett Graduate

Daniel Prince, Educator

Jennifer Prince, Teacher
(This information furnished by Leah Fredericks)
The above information has not been verified for accuracy by Multnomah County.

# **Corbett School District**

Director, Position 5

#### **Bob Buttke**

Occupation: Small Business Owner, General Contractor – Commercial Project Manager, Consultant

Occupational Background: Owner/Project Manager CHE Group, LLC, present; Estimating & Design Consulting, present; Project Manager CE Snodgrass Construction, 1995-2009; Vice President Market Contractors, Ltd, 1984-1995; Office/Construction Manager Yacht Constructors, 1972-1984

Educational Background: Portland State University, B.S. -Business and Accounting, graduated with honors; Mt. Hood Community College, business; Grant High School. Prior Governmental Experience: Current: Corbett School Board, Director and Corbett Education Foundation, Trustee/ Treasurer.

I am a long-time resident of Corbett, where my wife Catherine and I have contributed to building a great community and raised two daughters who attended Corbett Schools. I deeply appreciate the history and the accomplishments of the district and the efforts of other hardworking members of the community who have helped to preserve one of Corbett's greatest assets. I thank all who voted for me and who have helped in this work over the last four years.

I believe board members should consider students first, whether supporting the continuation of the good work of the schools or making significant financial decisions. My goals for the next four years are to help Corbett students continue to be among the most successful in Oregon, build on our strengths and help preserve the interests of the community. I know what it takes to make the tough decisions and I have worked in unison with board members, educators, and parents toward these common goals.

My relationships in the community, my experience managing resources and projects, and finding solutions will continue to be an asset for the Board. We will work as a team, dedicated to the business of the district, creating the optimal learning and working environment.

Your vote for me will be a vote to support quality education for Corbett students, provide the necessary resources to accomplish this and to continue creating genuine partnerships to address real challenges.

(This information furnished by Bob Buttke)

# **David Douglas School District**

Director, Position 1

### **Donna Barber**

Occupation: Executive Director, The Voices Project; Acting President, The Voices

School for Liberation and Transformation

Occupational Background: Director, Champions Academy - Portland Leadership

Foundation; Interim Director, Intercultural Life. George Fox University; Acts Six Academy

Coach, Warner Pacific University; Education & Leadership Development Coach

Educational Background: Georgia State University, MS, Education; Temple University,

BA, Communications; Dvuli, Urban Youth Leadership Certificate

Prior Governmental Experience: David Douglas School Board Member, Elected 2019

"Becoming Better Together"

Re-Elect Donna Barber to the David Douglas School Board!

"As school board members, we work to co-create the policies that govern the education of our community's children and share the responsibility of ensuring that they reflect and serve ALL the children well. We are helping to shape the world we dream of and the future we hope to see.

"Over the last few years my work centered on creating the equity policy and plans necessary to ensure that all students have what is needed to achieve their educational potential. I've worked to support our administration in the hiring and retention of a workforce more reflective of the beautiful diversity of our district and to include the voices of our parents and students at the center of our decision making.

"And when the pandemic hit, we worked hard, despite the ever changing protocols, to provide a supportive educational experience for our kids, families and teachers. Thank you for helping us get through this challenging time. We're not going back to the way things were. We are moving forward and becoming better together." - Donna

We Ask You to Re-Elect Donna!

Senator Kayse Jama

Aaron Barrow, David Douglas School Board

Stephanie Stephens, David Douglas School Board

Francesca Aultman, David Douglas Teacher

Andreina Velasco, Dual Language Preschool Teacher, David Douglas School District

Jared Cetz, David Douglas High School Alumnus

Alex Chiu, Gilbert Heights Parent & Local Artist

JR Lilly, Native American Community Leader

Sharif Liwaru, Education Community Leader

Stand for Children

Learn more: donnambarber.com
(This information furnished by Donna Barber)
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# **David Douglas School District**

Director, Position 1

## Viktor Georgiyev

Occupation: HVAC Service Specialist, Portland Mechanical Contractors, Presbyter of

Education, Smirna Church

Occupational Background: Founder & Executive Director of Budjak Education, Slavic

**Private School** 

Educational Background: Engineer, Masters Degree

Prior Governmental Experience: Precinct Committee Person

In 1996 together with my wife Luda and seven children, we immigrated to Portland, OR from Ukraine in search of religious freedom, and a better life. Twenty-five years later I can testify that this country is certainly the land of opportunity and growth. I'm very grateful for this country and American people for receiving us as refugees and showing so much love and kindness.

Having received so much here in our new home, I feel called to give back to my local community. I'm looking forward to serving on the board of David Douglas School District. I believe I can bring a fresh perspective to the current issues facing our education system, as we as bring diversity to the board.

Thank you for your vote.

(This information furnished by Viktor Georgiyev)

# **David Douglas School District**

Director, Position 2

## **Stephanie D Stephens**

Occupation: Nonprofit professional; Grant writer

Occupational Background: Co-Founder, Unite Oregon; Program Manager, City of

Portland; Center for Academic Excellence, Portland State University

Educational Background: The Evergreen State College, English, Bachelor of Arts;

Portland State University, Public Administration Courses

Prior Governmental Experience: David Douglas School Board, Position 2 (2017-Present)

Along with a tremendous team of dedicated Board members, educators, administrators, community partners, families, students, and staff, I have worked over the past four years to make our district more equitable, inclusive, and responsive. Serving during a time of great change, a national racial justice reckoning, and a global pandemic has tested the district's leadership and resolve - but we have adapted and persisted, always focusing on the needs of our students and families.

In David Douglas, we have made strides to:

- Raise graduation rates and address persistent disparities
- Hire and retain educators and staff of color
- Provide new resources for Career and Technical Education (CTE)
- Engage our diverse families in district decision-making, and
- Provide needed support to students and families during the pandemic.

The COVID-19 crisis will undoubtedly challenge the gains we have made, and we need innovative, strategic, relentless leaders at the district's helm to keep us moving forward. I'm ready to work with the David Douglas community in the next four years to meet the challenges ahead. Together, we will safely re-open school buildings, continue to center on equity, and provide a quality education for all kids.

## Proudly Endorsed by:

Andrea Valderrama, David Douglas School Board Chair Sahar Muranovic, David Douglas School Board Vice Chair Jessica Vega Pederson, Multnomah County Commissioner Susheela Jayapal, Multnomah County Commissioner Carmen Rubio, Portland City Commissioner East County Rising PAC

To view more supporters or learn about my position on the issues, visit www.stephforschools.com.
Awards
Multnomah County Citizen Involvement Award (2009); Spirit of Portland Award (2007)
(This information furnished by Committee to Elect Stephanie D Stephens)
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# **David Douglas School District**

Director, Position 3

### **Deian Salazar**

Occupation: Community Organizer Occupational Background: Activist

Educational Background: David Douglas High School, Diploma

Prior Governmental Experience: Precinct Committee Person Multnomah County

**Democrats Executive Committee** 

Deian is a Latino Activist. As someone with a disability, he saw how people are left behind systemically. Low-Income, and families of color have been greatly affected by the unequal education policies in our district, and they are not alone. School funding has long been inequitably distributed across our education system. It is time to fix that.

We can ensure there is racial justice, as well as equitable education opportunities for all students, including immigrant/ refugee communities, Homeless, LGBTQIA+, Students of Color, and those with disabilities. If we meet the needs of all of our students, including those struggling, we can increase graduation rates. Deian brings a unique perspective to the board, and has a history of leadership experience to help make this change happen.

## **Equitable Education**

- End Standardized Testing
- Teach less Eurocentric History and Literature Classes
- Allow more flexibility in teaching styles to meet the needs and passions of students
- Decrease Class Sizes
- More Language Support
- Restructure Homework

### Reform

- 9-5 school days
- Expand school mental health programs
- Expand funding for critical programs and classes
- Universal free school breakfast and lunch
- More staff accountability for mistreatment of students

• Fight tooth and nail to ensure budgets are allocated equally for our communities of color, students with disabilities, and LGBTQIA+ students.

### Safer Schools

- Stronger anti-discrimination programs
- Stronger anti-harassment and bullying programs
- Keep radical Far-Right activists like Timber Unity off our School Boards
- Update and expand safety measures to prevent school shootings and other violence
- Invest in our educators, social workers, and mental health programs equitably

## Supported By:

Working Families Party

United Food and Commercial Workers Local 555

Travis Nelson, Vice-Chair of Oregon Nurses Association of Health Policy, DNC Member Ashton Simpson, Director of Oregon Walks and former HD 47 State Rep. Candidate Michael Smith, former Multnomah County Democrats Vice Chair

(This information furnished by Deian Salazar)

# **David Douglas School District**

Director, Position 3

## Jane Guajardo-Hays

Occupation: David Douglas School District - On Site Supervisor; Mannahouse Academy - High School and Middle School Teacher

Occupational Background: David Douglas Schools - Special needs aide Educational Background: Clark College, AS Early Childhood Education

Prior Governmental Experience: None

As a migrant and a former ESL student, I recognize the challenges our students face entering a country where they are unable to communicate. When a child's culture and language are misunderstood, it negatively impacts their ability to learn and grow. I am running for school board because our students are consistently showing lower and lower proficiency in reading.

How can we expect our increasingly diverse community to thrive in a public education system where less than 50% of our children are meeting benchmark standards? Unless we can improve our public schools, we will not be able to deliver on the promise of prosperity and adventure that immigrants like me come to this country for.

My experience as a mother and teacher have prepared me to work with students of all backgrounds and help them achieve their potential. As your representative on the school board, I will have the opportunity to pass along the lessons I have learned to others, and to motivate our students to persevere in the face of adversity - just as I did when I first came to this country.

There has never been a greater chance for us to change our education system than today. This pandemic has been difficult for all of us, but it has exacerbated the challenges of first-generation Americans. As we transition back to the classroom, we must pay special attention to students' mental health and well-being - students cannot grow without a feeling of security and support. As part of the school board, I will work with my colleagues to ensure that students are given the appropriate resources, and that parent's concerns are addressed respectfully.

(This information furnished by Jane Guajardo-Hays)

# **David Douglas School District**

Director, Position 3

## Hoa Nguyen

Occupation: School Attendance Coach; Portland Public Schools

Occupational Background: Public Education; Nonprofits; SUN Community Schools;

Youth & Family Advocate

Educational Background: Portland State University, BA, Sociology

Prior Governmental Experience: n/a

Community Experience: Asian American Youth Leadership Conference, co-chair; API (Asian Pacific Islander) Forward, leadership development; Chinese American Citizen Alliance

"We need diverse leaders like Hoa who have experience working with students, families, teachers, and faculty on the school board." -Eddy Morales, Gresham City Council

"Hoa's direct experience with students and families will be a great asset to the school board." -Sahar Muranovic, David Douglas School Board Vice Chair

As a second generation Vietnamese-American with over 10 years of experience working with the public education system, I know what it takes for kids from low-income and diverse backgrounds to be able to show up in school ready to learn.

As a school board member, I will work on:

- Supporting low-income and families of color during the pandemic
- Ensuring all kids experience a smooth transition back to full time school
- Fighting for comprehensive health education, access to mental health care
- Utilizing restorative justice to break the 'schools to prison pipeline'
- Recruiting, retaining and advancing staff of color

Community Leaders Stand with Hoa:

"There has never been a more important time for Asian American voices to be heard. Hoa will be a great representative for our David Douglas community." -Jeff Reardon, State Representative

"I am looking forward to working with Hoa to ensure the health, safety, and well-being of our community during the pandemic and after. Her leadership will serve our kids well." -Andrea Valderrama, David Douglas School Board Chair Stephanie Stephens, Christine Larsen - David Douglas School Board Members Annette Mattson, Mt. Hood Community College Board Jessica Vega Pederson, Multnomah County Commissioner Kayse Jama, State Senator Khanh Pham, State Representative Jessica Arzate, Multnomah Education Service District Board Muhammad Rahman, David Douglas School Teacher East County Rising NARAL Pro Choice Oregon PAC Stand for Children

To learn more visit www.hoa4pdx.com

(This information furnished by Hoa Nguyen)

# **David Douglas School District**

Director, Position 6

### **Andrea Valderrama**

Occupation: Policy Director, ACLU of Oregon

Occupational Background: Advocacy Director, CCC; Policy Advisor, Portland City Hall

Educational Background: Masters of Public Administration, Portland State

University; Bachelor of Arts, University of Oregon

Prior Governmental Experience: David Douglas School Board of Directors, Vice Chair; David Douglas School Board of Directors, Position 6; Student Success Act Advisory Committee; Latino/a/x and Indigenous Student Success Plan Advisory Committee; HD 4710 Precinct Committee Person.

My priority issues are centered in my values of racial and gender justice with the background context of the COVID 19 pandemic as a new reality to navigate, in addition to the historical injustices created through white supremacy that have plagued Black, Indigenous, and People of Color (BiPOC) communities for decades.

### 1. Health & Wellness

I lead with my values in reproductive justice, safety, selfdetermination, and access to healthcare for all in my decision making about health and bodily autonomy. As we continue to plan for transformed education, I will work to ensure:

- COVID 19 vaccines, PPE, and mental health and social emotional services are accessible to all
- Stable housing and safe conditions for students and families trying to learn from home
- Comprehensive healthcare services and sexual education curriculum

## 2. Economic Justice & Housing

This pandemic has deepened existing economic inequities especially for mothers, BIWOC, immigrants and refugees, and renters. I will continue to address:

- Rent and housing costs and lost income
- Childcare
- Ensuring economic stability for staff

## 3. Public & Community Safety

Transforming public and community safety within our schools is more important than ever, especially as hate crimes are on the rise.

I'm proud to have earned the endorsement of:

- East County Rising PAC
- Christel Allen, Executive Director, NARAL Pro Choice

Oregon PAC

Stand for Children

- Duncan Hwang, APANO
- Ricky Ruiz
- Jeff Reardon
- Eddy Morales
- Vince Jones-Dixon, Gresham City Council, Position 3
- Jessica Arzate, MESD Vice Chair
- Katrina Doughty, MESD Board, Position 7
- Yesenia Delgado, Position 5, Reynolds School Board
- Mayra Gómez

(This information furnished by Friends of Andrea Valderrama)

# **Gresham-Barlow School District**

Director, Position 1, Zone 1

## **Robyn Stowers**

Occupation: Policy Advisor, Metro

Occupational Background: Senior Urban Renewal Coordinator, City of Gresham; Communication Specialist, Multnomah County; Policy Advisor, City of Portland; Community Relations Officer, Urban Renewal Manager, City of Woodburn Educational Background: Syracuse University MA; Portland State University BA Prior Governmental Experience: Current Director, Gresham-Barlow School Board. Eleven years professional experience in municipal, county, and Metro government.

I unapologetically advocate for our most vulnerable students, teachers and families. As a Gresham-Barlow School Board Director I have championed:

## **HEALTH and SAFETY**

Centering the holistic health and wellbeing of all students and staff.

- Full vaccination of teachers before returning to classrooms and appropriate work accommodations for medically vulnerable staff and families
- Reallocation of \$200,000 in police contract funds to mental health specialists
- Elimination of victim blaming language in the Sexual Harassment Policy

## DIVERSITY, EQUITY, and INCLUSION

Celebrating the diverse experiences, identities and contributions of all students.

- Sponsorship of Cultural Resolutions and events in solidarity with Black, Indigenous, Latinx, Asian, Pacific Islander, African, European, LGBTQ, and migrant communities
- Elimination of inappropriate Native imagery and the inclusion of land acknowledgments
- Expansion of the academic calendar to include more cultural days
- Gresham-Barlow School District equity assessment and accountability
- Close the discipline and achievement gap of students of color

## TRANSPARENCY and ENGAGEMENT

Eliminating barriers to participation in school district policy making by increasing transparency and engagement.

- Complete agenda packets posted one week in advance to allow the public and board members to appropriately prepare for school board meetings
- Create opportunities for the community, students and staff to engage with the board through listening sessions, community events, and board meetings
- Inclusion of closed captioning and translation services

### **ENDORSEMENTS**

**Gresham-Barlow Education Association** 

Oregon Education Association

NARAL Pro Choice Oregon

**East County Rising** 

Ricki Ruiz, State Representative

Shirley Craddick, Metro Council

Gresham City Councilors: Eddy Morales, Vincent Jones-Dixon

School Board Directors: Amanda Orozco-Beach, Katrina Doughty, Sonja McKenzie

(This information furnished by Robyn Stowers)

# **Gresham-Barlow School District**

Director, Position 1, Zone 1

## **Holly Riegelmann**

Occupation: Bookkeeper: Riegelmann's Appliance

Occupational Background: Receptionist: Adventist Health Medical

Educational Background: Sam Barlow High School

Prior Governmental Experience: None

This community is family to me. Gresham is where I was raised, where I met my husband, where I work in the family business, and where I am raising my family. Next academic year, I will have a student in elementary, two in middle school, and one beginning high school with hopes to play water polo for his dad, who has coached locally for almost 20 years. I am deeply proud of this community.

The pandemic has stretched and challenged us. Our students have faced a loss of opportunity and growth, while parents, grandparents, and educators have dealt with hardship and disruption to support their kids and families. I have walked in the shoes of families who have adjusted their lives to meet their kids' needs, and I have worked hard to bring people together to find solutions that move us forward. When our community's families needed a voice, I stepped up to bring stakeholders together to find the "yes" that would give our families and community hope.

I learned that we may have different perspectives, but that we all want the same thing: better student opportunities for a brighter future.

I am running for school board to pursue that future together with you.

"Holly has a student-first focus, she builds bridges, fights for common ground, and chooses to seek solutions rather than dwell on problems. There are no better qualities of an effective board member than these." Blake Petersen, Gresham-Barlow School Board

Please join these community members and leaders in voting for me.

Shelley Burns-Guisto, Business Owner, GBSD Parent

Ron Hudson, Retired GBSD teacher, Grandparent

Bess Wills, Business Owner

Greg Eisenzimmer, Business Owner

Brandon & Heidi Schmdit, Business Owner, GBSD Parents

Josh & Jessica Atkins, GBSD Parents

Jason & Kristi Helbig, GBSD Parents

Kris Howatt, GBSD Board Member

Matt O'Connell, GBSD Board Member

(This information furnished by Holly Diagolmann)
(This information furnished by Holly Riegelmann)
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# **Gresham-Barlow School District**

Director, Position 3, Zone 2

## **Cathy Vandehey Keathley**

Occupation: Business Manager, St. Joseph the Worker Church; Vice President, Joseph P. Vandervelden Foundation

Occupational Background: Human Resource Analyst, Metro Service District; Human Resource Analyst and Acting Human Resource Manager, City of Gresham

Educational Background: Portland State University – Business Administration; Gresham High

Prior Governmental Experience: Gresham City Councilor; Gresham Finance and Budget Committee: Chair, Gresham Fire Advisory Council

My approach to leadership is to listen, respectfully debate, and make thoughtful, evidence-based decisions. I am committed to providing a welcoming, safe environment where all students, staff and parents are respected. In these unprecedented times, I join you in advocating for children to safely return to the classroom. I will listen to all concerns and work together to find the best solutions for our children. Working together is the key phrase. Working together creates a positive vision for our students preparing them to grow, learn and thrive as adults in our community. I have been and will be a bridge between the concerns of students, teachers, parents, and administration.

As a mom of three kids, I spent 17 years working with teachers, parents, and administrators at every level to provide support in all areas of education. Being a PTA President, member of the Principal's Advisory Council, and chair of multiple fund-raising activities providing financial support to the teachers and schools allowed me a fuller understanding of the needs of our educational system.

## I will champion:

- Getting our children back to school in a safe environment while meeting and respecting the needs of students, teachers, and parents;
- Navigate through any reduced financial support due to the economic effects of the pandemic;
- Respectful debate, and making thoughtful evidence-based decisions;
- Provide intentional leadership focused on students.

## Short list of many endorsements:

"Cathy has experience making hard and fair decisions. Parents can count on her." Sue Piazza, Gresham City Councilor

Karen Johnston, GBSD Oversight Committee Mike McKeel, DDM Mark & Debbie Eisenzimmer, Cascade Athletic Club

Terry McCall, Metro East Web Academy Board Member
More at: votekeathley.com
(This information furnished by Friends for Cathy Keathley)
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# **Gresham-Barlow School District**

Director, Position 4, At-Large

### Joe Demers

Occupation: Commercial Driver

Occupational Background: Commercial Driver

Educational Background: Home school – general studies – GED

Prior Governmental Experience: None

I am a father of four, three daughters and one son. My two oldest daughters are college age and my two youngest are still in Gresham-Barlow schools. Our story is very similar to a lot of families in the Gresham area and even around the world. Covid-19 destroyed any semblance of a day to day lifestyle, especially for my 16 year old and my 7 year old. Both of my children struggle with ADHD, they are in need of IEP environments to excel in their academics. This virtual learning has proved to be highly negative for a proper learning environment causing my 16 year old to go from straight A's to failing grades. With the technological advantages of the day, focus from home has too many distractions to make work completion viable for my youngest.

That's why I am running for school board - - because active schools are vital in the development of our children. Things like sports, music, art, and trades learning must not be forgotten. Teachers with expertise in these areas are independent talents that we as parents cannot accommodate for. As candidate for school board I am advocating for the following:

Elect parents = We really need our kids to know we care parents should be the front line. Peer-to-peer = The social network of friends in person enhance and encourage higher goals.

Process = The stability and functionality of a classroom works better than virtual. Environment = The purpose of a classroom brings a centered focus that a home does not.

Let's bring family life back to normal, vote Joe Demers for school board!

(This information furnished by Friends of Joe Demers)

# **Gresham-Barlow School District**

Director, Position 4, At-Large

### **Jeff C Jones**

Occupation: Electrical Contractor

Occupational Background: Twenty one years in electrical construction

Educational Background: Sam Barlow High School, Diploma 1998; IBEW Local 48 JATC

Inside Wireman Apprenticeship, State of Oregon Electrical License, 2006; Oregon

General Supervising Electrician, 2014. Prior Governmental Experience: None

My name is Jeff Jones. I was born and raised in Damascus, OR and graduated from Sam Barlow High school. I am a husband and father of two great kids. I own and operate a small electrical construction company in Troutdale. I am running for the Gresham Barlow School Board because I feel our kids and community need individuals that will represent them. Being a family man and small business owner I can contribute my diverse experience to the school board.

(This information furnished by Jeff C Jones)

## **Gresham-Barlow School District**

Director, Position 4, At-Large

#### Julie Frediani

Occupation: Retired Educator GBSD, Substitute Teacher

Occupational Background: Volunteer Gresham Art Walk, Gresham Outdoor Public Art Board Member, Customer Service at Christopher and Banks, Multnomah Falls Gift Shop Educational Background: B.A.in Education: Pacific Lutheran University, Lewis and Clark

College: E.S.O.L coursework, Portland State University

Prior Governmental Experience: None

I am running for the school board because I have the background, knowledge and experience needed to be effective. My unwavering voice is for kids, families and teachers...not politics. My only agenda is to advocate for what is best for students. I support getting students back in school full time as quickly and safely as possible. I will support investing more in mental health services (a high priority after the pandemic), continuing to practice equity and doing our best to insure all students find academic success. Many parents, children and teachers endorse me. Some know me as Mrs. Ertel or Mrs. Frediani but all know me as someone who helped them grow and learn to be their best self. I will continue to do that by serving children and you as a school board member.

"Sunny and I met Julie 25 years ago when she asked us to help teach her class about the Chinese New Year. Julie has always been committed to diversity and inclusion of all cultures/ethnicities in her classroom. She makes sure that ALL children in her class are validated, safe, loved and successful students. Julie cares for the whole child. She is the most qualified candidate for The Gresham-Barlow school board. We are proud to support her in this endeavor." - Sunny and Judy Han

Kids. Families. Teachers. Not Politics.

Our children deserve someone with experience, who is passionate about children's education and who understands priorities for our schools. I am that person!

Thank you for your vote.

(This information furnished by Friends of Julie Frediani)

## **Gresham-Barlow School District**

Director, Position 4, At-Large

#### Carla C Piluso

Occupation: GBSD Board -Position 4 At-Large (2009 to present); Human Solutions – Board, Secretary

Occupational Background: OR State Rep – HD 50 (2015.2021); Gresham Police Chief (2003 – 2009 (ret.)); Gresham Police Officer (1979 – 2003)

Educational Background: Willamette University – Political Science – BS; Andrew Jackson – HS Diploma

Prior Governmental Experience: State Representative HD 50 (3 terms); Board Chair – Vice Chair GBSD; Budget Committee - GBSD; Board Chair – Multnomah County Commission on Children/Families/Communities

I was born in East Multnomah County and I am proud to be a lifelong Oregonian. I have had a career here, raised my daughter here, and I plan to stay here serving my community.

As a School Board Member, I've made decisions that had a positive impact in the lives of children and families:

- Successful implementation of the District bond, improving educational opportunities for all students
- Increased graduation rates
- Expansion of SUN Community School sites
- Focus on hiring a diverse workforce
- Expanded mental health and counseling options

Being a Legislator, I had the unique opportunity to expand my horizon (seeing the big and small picture) and observe the chain of impact. I was able to be a strong advocate for East County:

- Supported resources to provide CTE opportunities and STEM instruction
- Sponsored legislation:
- Opportunities for children in foster care
- Law Enforcement oversight, reporting, and discipline

• Family Supports and Housing Committee

Drawing from my experience in school board activity and law enforcement, I understand the strength in collaboration and community engagement.

As a dedicated lifelong learner, I intend to serve and engage our families, and improve educational opportunities for all students, in particular those students who have been historically under-represented.

Thank you for your support and your vote!

#### **ENDORSEMENTS**

Stand for Children

**Metro Councilors** 

- Shirley Craddick
- Christine Lewis

**Gresham Councilors** 

• Dave Dyk, Vice-Chair Gresham Finance Committee

**Schoolboard Directors** 

- Sonja McKenzie Parkrose
- Annette Mattson MHCC
- Amanda Schroeder Centennial
- Mayra Gomez GBSD

Community

John & Shirley Vandermosten

(This information furnished by Carla Piluso)

## **Gresham-Barlow School District**

Director, Position 5, Zone 4

### **Jasia Mosley**

Occupation: Co-Founder and Board Director of Youth Oregon

Occupational Background: Community Organizer and Voter Engagement for state and

local candidates

Educational Background: University of Oregon (current), Mount Hood Community

College, Gresham High School

Prior Governmental Experience: None

**Empower Youth and Amplify Their Voices** 

"As a recent graduate from Gresham High School, Jasia is a brilliant young leader that knows what students in our schools need. I'm excited to have her to show us what the future of leadership will look like!" -Representative Ricki Ruiz

"As a graduate of Gresham public schools, Jasia brings a perspective that has never been represented on the school board. I look forward to her serving in this capacity in 2021 and beyond." -Councilor Vince Jones-Dixon

### Dear Neighbor,

I have been living in Gresham for over 15 years and our community is important to me. My experience in community organizing and nonprofit work has prepared me to be an advocate for our youth, especially those who identify as Black, Indigenous and people of color, who need to see themselves in elected leadership. I will be a source of inspiration to our younger students, encouraging them to pursue their passions in and outside the classroom.

As your school board member, I will focus on the following priorities to better serve our students:

- Advocating for more mental health resources to support school counselors
- Listening to diverse student voices to reimagine student safety
- Living our values of equity and accessibility with translation services and ASL at board meetings
- Facilitating greater community engagement
- Promoting curriculum where students from all walks of life feel seen and respected

Community Leadership Stands with Jasia: State Senator Chris Gorsek State Representative Ricki Ruiz State Representative Khanh Pham Multnomah County Commissioner, District 4, Lori Stegmann Multnomah County Commissioner, District 2, Susheela Jayapal Gresham City Councilors Eddy Morales, Mario Palmero, Vince Jones-Dixon Andrea Valderrama, Chair, David Douglas School Board Dave Dyk Gresham-Barlow Education Association Oregon Education Association Planned Parenthood PAC of Oregon UFCW 555 East County Rising
To learn more, visit facebook.com/jasiaforgresham
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## **Gresham-Barlow School District**

Director, Position 5, Zone 4

### **Blake Petersen**

Occupation: Management Analyst, City of Gresham

Occupational Background: Executive Director, Good News Community Health Center;

Captain, US Army

Educational Background: Sam Barlow High School; United States Military Academy –

West Point

Prior Governmental Experience: Gresham-Barlow School Board, 2017 – Present

As dad to four kids and foster dad to three more, I understand what this past year has meant to our students and families.

Our success from this moment will demand clarity, urgency, and leadership. I know the challenge of leading in confusing times.

I am a West Point graduate, combat veteran, experienced non-profit and public servant, and—for four years—have had the privilege of serving our community on the Gresham-Barlow board.

I am incredibly proud of the community I have called home since I was born and committed to its prosperity. It has been my honor to lead our schools in these hard times to deliver results that we can be proud of:

- Historically high graduation rates at our high schools
- \$340 million of new infrastructure completed ahead of schedule, under budget, and accountable to every voter promise from the 2016 bond
- Expanding career and technical education opportunities for students
- Elementary dual-language immersion programs active and increasing
- Principled financial management resulting in no staff cuts despite rising pension rates
- The safe return of our educators to their classrooms and our kids to their schools

These results and the ones we will celebrate together on the hard road ahead demand more than ideas.

I am a GBSD dad offering a critical parent's perspective; I am a tested and proven servant-leader; and I am ready and willing to take on our challenges for the sake of our students. We are on the rise. Let's rise TOGETHER. I appreciate your vote.

Partial list of endorsements:
Stand for Children
Karylinn Echols, Former Gresham Mayor
David Widmark, Former Gresham City Councilor
Sue Piazza, Gresham City Councilor
Kris Howatt, GBSD Board
Matt O'Connell, GBSD Board
Bess Wills
Vicki Moen
Mike Riegelmann

(This information furnished by Blake Petersen)

## **Gresham-Barlow School District**

Director, Position 6, At-Large

#### **Adam Sorenson**

Occupation: Quality Control and Commissioning Manager Dynalectric Oregon Occupational Background: General Foreman Dynalectric Oregon; General Foreman Oregon Electric Group; Foreman Rosendin Electric

Educational Background: Sam Barlow High School 1995-1998; Mt. Hood Community College 1999-2000; NIETC Electrical Apprenticeship 2008-2012

Prior Governmental Experience: None

Gresham has been my home for 30 years and I enjoy being part of this community. My wife and I are raising our family in the district and have a daughter that will beginning her education in the GBSD in 2022.

My intentions are clear and simple. I want to deliver transparency and accountability from a community that seeks solidarity. This will be best accomplished through a position on the Gresham-Barlow School Board. I want to ensure that our students get the very best education possible. Our kids are the future and we need to treat their education and safety as our top priorities.

### My Focus:

- SCHOOL SIZE that meets the needs of our students and community
- SUSTAINABLE budgeting
- PROGRAMMING built for district interests
- -TRANSPARENCY with integrity

I believe that positive alignment between the Gresham-Barlow Community and School District is necessary in order to provide the best educational outcomes for our students. I am willing to support significant changes in existing programming and leadership focus to give our students the best opportunities for success. We must set high expectations and provide opportunities for all types of learning for all types of students. Important facility issues, school budget realities, school size, and educational programming are top priorities in this work towards finding a common vision for our schools.

(This information furnished by Adam Sorenson)

## **Gresham-Barlow School District**

Director, Position 6, At-Large

### Mayra L Gómez

Occupation: Director of College & Career Readiness, West Linn-Wilsonville School District

Occupational Background: Federal Programs Coordinator: Centennial School District; Assistant Principal, Reynolds High School; Educator, Gresham High School; Migrant Education Summer School Teacher, Multnomah Education Service District; Summer Program Coordinator, Portland Parks and Recreation

Educational Background: Lewis & Clark College, PhD, Educational Leadership and Curriculum; University of California-Los Angeles, Master of Urban Education; University of Oregon, BA, BS

Prior Governmental Experience: Gresham-Barlow School Board Member

Dr. Mayra Gómez: Lifelong Commitment to Our Youth & the Power of Education

"Mayra is truly invested in the Gresham community. She is committed to supporting and collaborating with teachers who love their students. Her experience as an educator provides an understanding of our students' needs and what schools need to do to close opportunity gaps." - Carla Piluso, Gresham-Barlow School Board

I have spent my entire career believing in our youth, and seeing how the power of education can affect them in life-changing ways. It was my own experience that led me down this path. I credit my success to the mentorship of family and community members who believed in me.

I strive to do the same for my students in Oregon public schools and as a Gresham-Barlow School Board Member. We have:

- Increased graduation rates
- Hired more school counselors & more diverse educators
- Passed a construction bond

I am running for re-election so I can continue to empower youth to finish high school, pursue education beyond graduation and inspire them to mentor younger generations in their communities.

Community Leaders Endorse Mayra for Re-Election!

"Mayra sees education as the social equalizer. She feels responsibility to advocate and give a voice to our disenfranchised communities and address equity issues impacting our students." - Gresham City Council President Eddy Morales

Ricki Ruiz, State Representative
Shirley Craddick, Metro Councilor
Multnomah County Commissioner Lori Stegmann
Annette Mattson, Mt. Hood Community College Board
Jessica Arzate, Multnomah Education Service District
Andrea Valderrama, David Douglas School Board
Sonja Mckenzie, Parkrose School Board
Yesenia Delgado, Reynolds School Board
East County Rising

(This information furnished by Gomez for Kids)

# Lake Oswego School District

Director, Position 2

## **Neelam Gupta**

Occupation: Director, Clinical Supports and Workforce, Oregon Health Authority Occupational Background: Distinguished career leading cross-sector health equity initiatives

Educational Background: University of California, Los Angeles, BS Psychobiology, Master's in Public Health, Master's in Social Welfare

Prior Governmental Experience: LOSD School Board; LOSD Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Committee Chair; 2019 LO Learning Levy Co-Chair; LOSD Elementary Facilities Taskforce

Community Service: LO Schools Foundation board, LO for LOve board, LO Food Pantry board, National Charity League, Leadership LO

## My Story

Education brought my family to Lake Oswego. My brother Rajan is a LO High School graduate and practicing physician. My partner Kabir Bhatia is an entrepreneur, and we moved back for the top-notch schools and vibrant community.

I have served in classrooms, in parent clubs, in the Schools Foundation, and leading levy campaigns. Since I was appointed to the school board in June 2020, I worked to:

- Advocate for school reopening
- Center student and parent voices in decision-making
- Create belonging for students of all races and backgrounds
- Craft bold new strategic priorities

I ask for your vote, because there is more to accomplish in reopening schools and moving our community forward to:

- Create a culture of belonging
- Achieve academic excellence
- Promote health and resiliency
- Teach and practice sustainability

"Neelam is a focused, thoughtful leader who brings people together, finds common ground, and delivers real solutions for our students." - Kirsten Aird, LO School Board Vice-Chair

"Neelam approaches school board service with compassion, integrity, and collaboration."

- Senator Rob Wagner, Majority Leader, and State Representative Andrea Salinas

Please join local leaders in supporting Neelam

Sara Pocklington, LO School Board Chair

John Wallin, LO School Board Member

Bob Barman, Sarah Howell, Deborah Lopardo, former LO School Board Chair

Linda Brown, Clackamas Education Service District

Joe Buck, LO City Mayor

Massene Mboup, Daniel Nguyen, Jackie Manz, Rachel Verdick, LO City Councilors

Jon Gustafson, Jeff Gudman, Mary Puskas

Stand for Children

NARAL Pro-Choice Oregon PAC

Planned Parenthood PAC of Oregon

**UFCW Local 555** 

To learn more: www.neelamforlosd.com

(This information furnished by Neelam Gupta)

# **Lake Oswego School District**

Director, Position 4

#### **Liz Hartman**

Occupation: Lake Oswego Chamber of Commerce – Executive Director Occupational Background: Oregon Health Sciences University Foundation, Constituent Relations Director (alumni and annual funds for the Schools of Dentistry, Medicine and Nursing); Rockey/March Public Relations, Account Executive; U.S. Senate, Intern, Senator Hatfield; Staff, Senator Packwood

Educational Background: Willamette University, Political Science/Speech, BA Prior Governmental Experience: Elected – LOSD Board of Education

Lake Oswego School District immediately began planning for safe, healthy school reopenings upon closures in 2020 because of outstanding leadership by the Superintendent and her team. LOSD is planning for full time return to school in the fall and planning for long-term programs to restore student learning needs from the pandemic gap.

LOSD is one of the top districts in Oregon and has achieved national recognition through the efforts of past and current superintendents.

The role of your School Board is to oversee and direct the Superintendent. LOSD plans for students who will live into the 22nd century while implementing programs today. Efforts to address all students though public education can be found in the strategic plan, https://www.losdschools.org/Page/7961 which addresses today's student health needs, sustainability for their future, and the lens of diversity, equity, inclusion and action in decision making.

As a school board member, Liz:

- · Served twice as Board Chair
- Advocated and provided board oversight for the 2017 bond resulting in the new Lakeridge Middle School, renovated Oak Creek Elementary, and safety upgrades at all schools
- Implemented board self-evaluation required for a high-performing board
- Hired two outstanding superintendents
- Completed Oregon School Boards Association board training at all levels
- Serves on the OSBA Board of Directors

<ul> <li>Advocates in the State legislature for stable education funding</li> </ul>
It's time for Phase 2 bond planning to rebuild, maintain, and innovate District buildings. Vote Liz Hartman to continue the successful work of LOSD.
For more information: www.lizhartmanlosd.com
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## **Parkrose School District**

Director, Position 1

### **Joshua Singleton**

Occupation: Facilities Manager

Occupational Background: Journeyman Electrician; US Navy (5 years)

Educational Background: ITT Technical Institute; AAS Electronics; BAS Automated Manufacturing Prior Governmental Experience: Parkrose Board of Education (appointed 2019)

As a longtime resident, a graduate of Parkrose High School, and a parent of three children who all graduated from PHS; I feel that public education is the Cornerstone of our American society. It enables all people to have a Level playing field and gives everyone an equal opportunity to compete for the American dream.

I wish to serve on the Parkrose school board because I desire to make a difference in our community. Parkrose is more than a school district within the city of Portland; it is a unique community, with an identity unto itself, and the school district sets the tone for the atmosphere of the community.

I will focus on a vision of the future; A future of educational excellence; safety within all of our schools, and continued opportunity for all of our students.

Naturally the purpose of the district and the school board is to educate the children of our community. As a board member I will fulfill this role and keep the quality of services at the forefront of my decisions, but I will also focus on the community aspect of the district and how it effects all of its residents.

Even if you don't have children attending a Parkrose school, you still can gain the benefits of a strong community centered on our youth and schools. The quality of our educational system pays long term dividends that we can all benefit from through a well-educated and free society.

(This information furnished by Joshua Singleton)

## **Parkrose School District**

Director, Position 4

## Sonja Mckenzie

Occupation: Community Engagement Coordinator, Oregon Community Foundation Occupational Background: Certified Volunteer Administrator; Volunteer Resources Coordinator, Planned Parenthood Columbia Willamette; Program Manager, iUrban Teen; Special Education Teacher

Educational Background: Sam Houston State University, BFA; University of St. Thomas, Teacher Certification; Portland State University, Human Resources Certification Prior Governmental Experience: Parkrose School Board Member, Current; Oregon School Board Association, Members of Color Caucus; National School Board Action Center, Board Member; Dress for Success, Board Member; East Metro STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Mathematics) Partnership, Leadership Team

## Experience - Advocacy - Leadership

I have advocated for strong public schools and the kids they serve my whole life. As a former teacher, parent of four children who attend Parkrose schools and as a current school board member, it's been a privilege to serve in partnership with the families of our school kids.

### Together, we have:

- · Worked diligently to support our families and kids through distance learning;
- Created partnerships with educational leaders and culturally specific community organizations to ensure all kids thrive; and
- Advocated for inclusive policies for our student athletes.

I am running for re-election because our work continues:

- We need to reopen our schools safely with our students and teachers in mind.
- We need more equitable, trauma-informed educational support for our most underrepresented students.
- We need to see through our efforts to address regional inequities among schools in Oregon.
- We need to continue to advocate for more funding for our public schools.

Proudly Endorsed By:

Stand for Children
East County Rising PAC
Planned Parenthood PAC of Oregon
NARAL Pro-Choice Oregon PAC
Eddy Morales, Gresham City Councilor
Susheela Jayapal, Multnomah County Commissioner
Lori Stegmann, Multnomah County Commissioner
Ricki Ruiz. State Representative
Jessica Arzate, Multnomah Education Service District, VIce Chair
Katrina Doughty, Multnomah Education Service District, Board Member
Carla Piluso, Gresham School Board
Mayra Gomez, Gresham School Board
Yesenia Delgado, Reynolds School Board
To see who else has endorsed Sonja, visit: https://www.vote4smckenzie.net/
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## **Parkrose School District**

Director, Position 5

#### **Elizabeth Durant**

Occupation: Interim Pastor, Gethsemane Lutheran Church

Occupational Background: Asst. Minister (serving children/youth/families), First

Congregational UCC; Board of Directors, Central Pacific Conference United Church of

Christ; Volunteer, Sacramento PTO

Educational Background: Willamette University, BA Politics; Marylhurst University,

**Master of Divinity** 

Prior Governmental Experience: Appointed Parkrose School District #3 Board of

Education, Position Five; MESD Regional School Board Equity Team

The past year has been more challenging than any of us could have anticipated. While some elected officials have used the reopening of school buildings as a political tool, we have struggled as working families to care for our children in the middle of unemployment, uncertain childcare, and mixed messages about public health and safety. As parents of a third-grader and a preschooler, my wife and I know what the pandemic has cost us.

Yet our Parkrose community has shown up for each other in creative and life-giving ways. We have shared food boxes, sewn masks, delivered necessities to neighbors, donated books and blankets. We have raised our voices for an end to racism and violence.

I am so proud of our Parkrose students, teachers, parents, district staff, and superintendent. THANK YOU for working so hard, for taking the time to listen, for looking out for the most vulnerable. Thank you for showing up to board meetings, listening sessions, and parent group fundraisers. Thank you for speaking up and asking questions, even though answers aren't easy or always available. Our kids need us to be committed to Parkrose. We are ALL IN for them.

I am honored to serve you on the Parkrose School Board of Education. You can count on me to continue to be ALL IN for our students. There is big work ahead: safely reopening our buildings, elementary physical education this fall (hooray!), improved access to transportation, ongoing racial equity work and legislative advocacy for funding. WE CAN DO THIS. I believe in us.

This pandemic has shown us that we ARE powerful. We are resilient. We are #parkrosestrong.

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## **Portland School District**

Director, Zone 4

## **Brooklyn Sherman**

Occupation: Student

Occupational Background: Activist

Educational Background: Portland State University, Portland Community College,

Jefferson High School

Prior Governmental Experience: N/A

### A NEW GENERATION OF LEADERSHIP

Brooklyn Sherman graduated from Jefferson High School and is enrolled at Portland State University where he is studying Business Management and Leadership. Throughout his time at PPS, Brooklyn ran multiple clubs, taught elective classes to elementary students, and advocated for special education students. He volunteered as a ZooTeen for four summers as a part of the Oregon Zoo's Conservation Core. He worked for Terressa Raiford's May 19, 2020 Primary Election bid. Brooklyn Sherman on the Portland School Board will bring his past experiences and determination to enhance student-centered outcomes when making decisions on how to improve the community.

### If elected, Brooklyn will prioritize:

- Expanding and improving the recreation areas of our school buildings making sure they serve the communities of Zone four.
- Reduce administrative overhead in Portland Public School, redirecting the funds to the classrooms.
- Ensuring our union custodial staff have adequate time, equipment, and resources to maintain our school buildings and properties.
- "Brooklyn is a very thoughtful young man who will listen to the concerns of the community and always have the best interests of all students in his decision making" Keith Edwards, Community Activist
- "I am Sabrina Henderson, parent of a child in the Spanish immersion program at Ockley Green Middle School. I am endorsing Brooklyn for PPS School Board Position #4. Brooklyn is a bright young man who I feel will listen to the community and advocate for our multilingual students." Sabrina Henderson, PPS Parent

Endorsed by: Harper's Playground Keith Edwards Cody Goldberg

Sabrina Henderson
Charlotte MacDonald, PPS Zone 4?
Elect Brooklyn Sherman for Portland School Board Director Zone 4
STUDENTS' CHOICE FOR PORTLAND SCHOOL BOARD
To see all my endorsements and to learn more, visit shermanforpps.com
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## **Portland School District**

Director, Zone 4

#### **Herman Greene**

Occupation: Senior Pastor Abundant Life PDX

Occupational Background: BTown Kids New Columbia Site Manager

Educational Background: Warner Pacific B.A.; M.A. Organizational Leadership;

M.A.Nonprofit Organizational Development

Prior Governmental Experience: None

The pandemic proved the value of our schools goes far beyond curriculum. Schools are the heart of our community and the true test of our values. Portland's schools are full of incredible potential, with teachers who care deeply and parents willing to do extraordinary things for our kids.

The challenge of our school system is not just to get money into the classrooms where it belongs but to bring parents and teachers together effectively. Every decision schools make, from budget allocations to policy review or vendor contracts, reflects our priorities for our children.

#### We need to:

- Increase graduation rates, especially among children of color and those with fewer resources.
- Ensure equal opportunities for every child regardless of their zip code.
- Build stronger connections to community colleges and skills development programs to pave paths to success for more students.

I offer myself as a candidate for school board with a sincere commitment to lifting up the many voices of our community.

As a Pastor, I have learned that one need not be critical to push for progress. It starts with accepting in our hearts that we can all do better.

As we emerge from Covid, our schools and community will only be stronger if our will is summoned to act together. It will take all of us. We must never forget that we can change countless futures if we engage with open hearts and minds.

Thank you for your consideration.

**Endorsements:** 

Senator Lew Frederick

Representative Janelle Bynum

Former Senator Avel Gordly
Multnomah County Chair Deborah Kafoury
Portland Commissioner Dan Ryan
Portland School Board Members:
Eilidh Lowery, Chair
Julia Brim-Edwards
Rita Moore
Betty Reynolds, Past President, Oregon School Boards Assn.
David Wynde, Community Leader
Bobbie Regan, Education Advocate
Portland Association of Teachers PAC
For Our Children's Future
Stand for Children
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## **Portland School District**

Director, Zone 4

## **Margo Logan**

Occupation: Child Care Consulting, LLC; analyst/expert witness

Occupational Background: Supervisor of youth program;

Licensor/regulator/investigator/trainer; group life counselor; classroom assistant

Educational Background: PSU; social work administration; MSW

Prior Governmental Experience: Over twenty years; various positions in state agencies; consultant/advocate in getting child/youth focused legislative bills passed or killed.

- With my NASW elected board member/Leadership & Nominations chair/regional/national delegate experience I will serve transparently and responsibly as a PPS board member. Parents, students, and taxpayers come first. Time to return to parents choosing, public, private, charter, school-pods, homeschooling, etc. Compulsory government public schools only came into existence after 1854 with the stated Congressional goal of indoctrinating student/future citizens to be obedient to authority.
- Growing up I attended US Army dependent schools. We had no racism in those schools, President Truman integrated military schools in 1949. We were completely integrated/diverse without even knowing it. We had no discussion of color. Portland schools were integrated in 1872. Good history. Accurate history is no longer taught. Public schools do not know how to teach reading or writing or arithmetic.
- As a W. Edward Deming trained management student I was trained quality starts at the top. It cannot be delegated to the superintendent, administrators, principals, teachers, or teacher unions. Oregon has the worst public schools in the nation. With our year of violence including on the PPS District building, children and teachers are at-risk in unprotected open public school buildings.
- With school choice the Portland Public School Board can switch to a competitive model to gain student population attendance by attraction rather than compulsion. Children love to learn until the love of learning is squeezed out of them. Subbing in many schools I saw love of learning squeezed out in the current environments in our public schools.
- It is said that only an endorsement by Portland Association of Teachers (PAT) gets you elected (not endorsed by PAT). Win or lose I will attend PPS board meetings. Students first.

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## **Portland School District**

Director, Zone 5

## **Gary Hollands**

Occupation: Non-profit Executive Director, Albina Sports Program; small business owner.

Occupational Background: Coach, Benson High School Track Team; Founder, Interstate Trucking Academy.

Educational Background: Irvington Elementary School, Whitaker Middle School, Benson High School, Fort Valley State University, Portland State University.

Prior Governmental Experience: Multnomah Education Service District Board Member, City of Portland Economic Development Policy Expert Group, 2040 Metro Freight Community Advisory Committee.

Community Service: Youth Basketball and Track Coach, Dawson Park Revitalization Committee, Classroom Volunteer, Highland Christian Center Youth Leader, Faubion Elementary School PTA Member.

## Our Children Deserve the Best

I am running for Portland School Board because I believe in our youth. As a husband, father, son, and business advocate I understand what kids need to reach their full potential and leadership abilities.

#### I will:

- Expand career, technical, and vocational education,
- Close/Address the academic gap in reading and math for Black and Brown students,
- Increase the racial and cultural diversity of staff to reflect our communities.

"Gary is a compassionate leader committed to working for the good of our children. As an educator in the public school system, I know he will make wise decisions for our community." - Reshawn Brown, PPS Teacher

### WE SUPPORT GARY

Eilidh Lowery, PPS Board Chair Scott Bailey, PPS Board Vice-Chair Michelle DePass, PPS Board Member Julia Brim-Edwards, PPS Board Member Rita Moore, PPS Board Member Amy Kohnstamm, PPS Board Member Andrew Scott, PPS Board Member Lolenzo Poe, former PPS Board Member Tiffani Penson, PCC Board Member

Carmen Rubio, Portland City Councilor Dan Ryan, Portland City Councilor SuSheela Jayapal, Multnomah County Commissioner Lew Frederick, State Senator Avel Gordly, former State Senator Chip Shields, former State Senator Sharon Gary-Smith, President, Portland NAACP Marcus Mundy, Executive Director, Coalition of Communities of Color John Mays, Former Teacher Candace Avalos James Posey Planned Parenthood PAC of Oregon NARAL Pro-Choice Oregon PAC Stand for Children For Our Children's Future PAC Portland Association of Teachers PAC

www.garyhollands.com

(This information furnished by Friends of Gary Hollands)

## **Portland School District**

Director, Zone 5

### **Daniel Rodgers**

Occupation: Family Physician

Occupational Background: Associate Physician, The Portland Clinic, September 2019 - Present; Wellspan York Hospital Family Medicine Residency, June 2016 - June 2019; Student Tutor, Drexel University College of Medicine, 2013 – 2014; Medical Assistant, Gateway Medical Associates, 2011 – 2012

Educational Background: Wellspan York Hospital Family Medicine Residency; Drexel University College of Medicine, Doctor of Medicine; Kutztown University of Pennsylvania, BS Biology, cum laude.

Prior Governmental Experience: Quality Management Committee Voting Member; Graduate Medical Education Committee, Voting Member; Pennsylvania Academy of Family Physicians Government & Practice Committee.

As a healthcare professional I'm uniquely qualified to help us navigate our children's return to school. As a father, and a proud member of our community, I am committed to ensuring equal and equitable education as a guaranteed right to all members of our district.

Education has always been important to me; as the first in my family to obtain a professional degree, despite struggles during secondary education I can say I wouldn't have the opportunities in front of me today if not for the efforts of the public school system that provided me with my academic foundation.

There are a lot of great things PPS and the board have been doing, but I think there are many areas to be improved upon, and I'm eager for the opportunity to work towards a better educational system.

I'll use my skills and experience to get our district back on track by prioritizing:

- Full return to in person learning, with a focus on safety for students, faculty, and staff
- Developing a strategic plan to balance our schools to address inequities for students in traditional lower-income neighborhoods and students with disabilities.
- Expand access to language immersion programs.
- Focus on qualitative metrics over standardized tests.
- Expanding equitable vocational offerings throughout the district.

Imagination. Collaboration. Innovation.

Learn more at www.DanForPDXschools.com
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## **Portland School District**

Director, Zone 6

#### **Julia Brim-Edwards**

Occupation: School Volunteer; Senior Director, Nike

Occupational Background: Staff--Oregon Legislature, U.S. Senate Educational Background: Oregon State University, BA; PPS graduate

Prior Governmental Experience: Portland School Board Chair/Audit Committee Chair; OSU Board; Oregon Education Investment Board; Oregon Child Care Commission

SCHOOL LEADER: Parent volunteer (18 years); Co-founder, PIL Foundation, Parents Coalition

#### Fellow Portlanders,

As we recover from this agonizingly difficult year, I'm reminded of past challenges we've faced. I've helped lead Portland schools through tough times before, and can do so again. Together, we must re-open schools safely; offer Summer School; and fund a fall Recovery Plan providing students social, emotional, and academic supports and empowering teachers and counselors to do what they do best: enriching students' lives. Sincerely, Julia

#### A LEADER FOR CHALLENGING TIMES, CHAMPION FOR STUDENTS

"Emerging from the pandemic, our schools need effective, experienced leaders. Julia's know-how and strategic focus will help us come back stronger." --Lisa Zuniga, Angela Uherbelau, Deb Miller Landau, Van Truong, Liz & Doug Capps PPS parent leaders, educators, grandparents

#### Julia has:

- Led approval for essential funding measures resulting in:
- 900+ teachers
- Supports for struggling students
- Smaller classes, more electives, Outdoor School, career technical education
- Greater pre-school access
- Funded equity strategies/partnerships, increasing graduation rates
- Chaired 2020 Bond campaign, funding new Jefferson HS; completion of Benson HS; main-floor ADA accessibility in all schools; updated K-12 textbooks

- Fought for more equitable middle grades student experiences, opening three new middle schools
- Overseen critical health/safety improvements, addressing lead, asbestos
- Improved student safety with new policies, training to prevent adult misconduct

#### **ACCOUNTABILITY & TRUST**

With her financial and management experience, Julia:

- Prioritizes classroom budgets, holds central administration accountable
- Reinstated internal performance auditors
- Eliminated "golden parachutes" for administrators

#### WE SUPPORT JULIA!

Governor Barbara Roberts

PPS Board Member Michelle DePass;

former PPS Board leaders Lolenzo Poe, Julie Esparza Brown, Bobbie Regan, Mike Rosen

County Commissioners Deborah Kafoury, Jessica Vega Pederson, Susheela Jayapal, Sharon Meieran, Lori Stegmann

Gary Blackmer, former City Auditor

Stand for Children

+many others

www.JuliaforPortlandSchoolBoard.com

(This information furnished by Julia Brim-Edwards)

## **Portland School District**

Director, Zone 6

### Matthew (Max) Margolis

Occupation: Reading Tutor (Reading Results)

Occupational Background: Father: 2008-Present; Crime Prevention Program Administrator for Southeast Portland (City of Portland) 2006-2008; Youth Program Director for Statewide Drug Prevention Program (Oregon Partnership, now Lines For Life) 1999-2006; Education/ Program Assistant (Morrison Center Counterpoint Day

Treatment) 1997-1999

Educational Background: Ohio University B.A. Political Science

Prior Governmental Experience: N.A.

I am running for the Portland School Board Position in Zone 6 because all students deserve access to great teachers, engaging classes, and welcoming schools.

Throughout this pandemic, PPS has been innovative and compassionate in creating a Comprehensive Distance Learning program, and providing struggling families with access to nutritional services. While the Covid-19 pandemic will eventually end, PPS must continue to provide our communities with an array of access points to vital education and nutritional services.

PPS faces many challenges in providing equitable and engaging education services. As a parent and reading tutor, I see the numerous obstacles that deprive students, teachers, administrators, and parents of the joy of education. I will work hard to ensure every student has access to compassionate, accountable, and proficient schools. Now is the time to reshape and improve how we educate our children. I have a plan to close the achievement chasm (a gap is an inadequate description), improve the PPS website, and will work with the Superintendent and school board to craft a straightforward action plan to improve our schools. Check out my ideas at www.maxmargolis.org.

If elected, I promise to listen with empathy, curiosity, and kindness to our community members. I also will ask tough questions, demand accountability, celebrate success, and will demonstrate everyday that equity and excellence are equals, not rivals.

Together we can make PPS the best school district in Oregon. Our students are ready to elevate--I believe my perspective, ideas, and plans will take them to the next level! I want your vote, because Portland students need a meaningful education.

(This information furnished by Matthew "Max" Margolis)
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## **Portland School District**

Director, Zone 6

### **Libby Glynn**

Occupation: Co-President, Bridger School PTA (unpaid), Bridger School Site Council Member, Skincare Salesperson, Caterer

Occupational Background: Researcher, Manager, Catering Supervisor, & Caterer Educational Background: Benson Polytechnic, Health Occupations, Diploma, 1999; University of Dallas, BA History, 2003; University of Dallas, Masters Humanities, 2008. Prior Governmental Experience: Multnomah County Youth Advisory Board 1998-1999

My family started in Portland Public Schools in 1942. My grandmother attended the Girls' Polytechnic School while her brother attended Benson Polytechnic. My great uncle was able to start his career out of high school. Both my sister and I were PPS graduates from Benson Polytechnic. I wish more schools in this country were like this exemplary model. My daughter is currently in fifth grade Spanish Immersion preparing to continue in middle school with PPS. I appreciate all the teachers, administrators and staff that have helped and supported her during her elementary years. Also, I am forever grateful to the amazing teachers that supported my educational aspirations during my time with PPS. I, in turn, would like to give back by being able to support the needs of current PPS students, teachers, administrators, and other staff in a truly equitable manner by serving on the PPS Board of Education. I strongly believe that better communication is key to this endeavor. I would like to begin to discover and work towards what Portlanders need to successfully fulfill their children's educational goals from pre-Kindergarten to the completion of high school. Every child deserves the same opportunity to succeed in public education. I would continue to encourage the use of the social justice lens that includes access, participation, human rights, and equity. Continuing extensive school building maintenance and remodel is also a priority.

"Our group represents 40,000 Oregonian parents advocating for getting students back to school fulltime. We are proud to endorse Libby Glynn for school board." -ED300 PAC

(This information furnished by Libby Glynn)

# **Reynolds School District**

Director, Position 1

#### **Aaron Muñoz**

Occupation: Teacher Pathway Program Student, Portland Community College Occupational Background: Union Representative for LiUNA! Laborer's Local 483, Johnson Creek Community-Outreach Coordinator

Educational Background: Portland Public Schools graduate; currently working on my Associates Degree in Teaching at Portland Community College.

Prior Governmental Experience: Metro Parks & Recreation Sponsorship Review Committee for Community-led activities program in Parks and Nature, Portland Public Schools Superintendent's Student Advisory Committee; LiUNA! Laborer's Local 483 representative for Blue Lake Seasonal workers.

Leadership: Cesar E. Chavez Leadership Conference (CECLC) for 3 years. Architectures, Construction and Engineers (ACE) program.

Healthy Minds, Happy Children, Hopeful Futures!

A good education is a critical foundation for a successful life. All our children deserve the opportunity to live and learn in safe and healthy communities in schools that support their learning styles and needs, engage their families, and foster community.

As the child of an educator, I was fortunate to have an advocate in my corner all the way through school. Even so, when I experienced the evaluation process for speech, ADHD, language proficiency, and the Talented and Gifted program it was not an easy process for my mother to navigate. I can not imagine what that process would be for parents who are limited English speakers, immigrants/refugees, or parents not familiar with the education system at all.

As a school board member, I will support additional efforts to involve parents, foster parents, and guardians in their children's education and district-wide decision making. I will also be the voice for all students who have been traditionally underrepresented.

Proudly standing with Aaron:
Ricki Ruiz, Oregon House Representative
East County Rising PAC
Shirley Craddick, Metro Council
Wendy Lawton, Fairview City Council
Jamie Kranz, Troutdale City Council
Eddy Morales, Gresham City Council
Vince Jones-Dixon, Gresham City Council
Yesenia Delgado, Reynolds School Board

Ana Gonzalez Muñoz, Reynolds School Board
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Jessica Arzate, MESD Board Vice-Chair
Amanda Orozco-Beach, Gresham-Barlow School Board
Robyn Stowers, Gresham-Barlow School Board
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# **Reynolds School District**

Director, Position 1

### **Curt Schulz**

Occupation: Retired

Occupational Background: Design and Test Engineer, Hyster-Yale Group, July 1977 to

January 2021.

Educational Background: Bachelor of Science degree, Oregon State University,

Mechanical Engineering; High school diploma, West Albany High School.

Prior Governmental Experience: Precinct Committee Person, House District Captain,

House District 49.

Why I am running: I have lived in Gresham since 1985, and I would like to get more involved in the community, now that I am retired. I believe the future of our country is in the hands of our youth. So it is important that our youth get the best education possible. I will bring a rational approach to the challenge of education. As in engineering, once all of the calculations are completed, and the results are compiled, do the results meet the "reasonableness test"? I would be most thankful for your vote, for the future of Reynolds School District.

(This information furnished by Curt Schulz)

# **Reynolds School District**

Director, Position 1

# Jim Kight

Occupation: Semi-Retired Business Owner

Occupational Background: Kight Photography, JBN Properties, US Navy Vietnam Era Educational Background: Washington High School, Mount Hood Community College, Portland State College

Prior Governmental Experience: Troutdale Mayor, Troutdale City Councilor, Charter Review Committee, Emergency Management Representative, East County Transportation Committee for the Four Cities, Cascade River District Steering Committee

We see a trend of students not continuing their education beyond high school. Currently in Oregon only 47% of seniors enroll in college.

Since they are choosing to enter the job market how are we preparing them? Do they have the skills that are required to earn a family wage job?

- We need to coalesce with business and industry to prepare students that choose not to continue their education. The skilled trades are finding it difficult to meet the needs that our society requires. Close to 7 million jobs such as mechanics, electricians, carpenters and many other trades are unfilled due in part to a skills gap.
- We need to educate students in daily life skills. They need to learn how to save and invest for example. 39% of Americans have less than \$300 cash for emergencies.
- We need to teach our students how to buy a home and the benefits of home ownership.

The motto for Reynolds High School should be: "We prepare students for life".

If elected, I will advocate for helping students enter the work force trained and prepared for their journey beyond high school.

(This information furnished by Jim Kight)

# **Reynolds School District**

Director, Position 2

### **Spencer Chao**

Occupation: Account Manager – American Cinema Equipment; Independent Contractor - Primerica

Occupational Background: Logistics Supervisor/Manager – United States Marine Corps Educational Background: Mt. Hood Community College (Current), Business

Prior Governmental Experience: None

When the prospect of running for a Reynolds School District Board position came four years ago, I cited a "busy" career as the excuse to why I dismissed the opportunity. The truth is, at the time I was a coward not willing to get out of the comfort zone and would have rather remained, well, comfortable. Over the past few years, I have been busier than ever in my career, began a path towards business ownership, and have restarted my own formal education as of this spring. These events are being disclosed not to impress anyone, but rather impress upon the fact that I want to be here.

School board members hold great responsibilities as the figures that, working with the superintendent, oversee the realization of various goals from students, family members, teachers, and the community. Whether our children continue onto higher education, take on a trade, enlist in our armed forces, volunteer, start a business or go straight into the work force; when our students move on from our schools, we want them to be prepared and confident rather than confused and entitled.

Times are always challenging, but with enough support any individual can thrive in almost any situation. This is true for students as well as school board members. This is my first attempt at serving the local community on a public scale, and with your support I would be grateful for this opportunity to work alongside fellow board members to ensure that we pave the best path toward student achievements. Thank you!

(This information furnished by Spencer Chao)

# **Reynolds School District**

Director, Position 2

### **Matt Richardson**

Occupation: Relationship Banker, Bank of America

Occupational Background: Sales Associate, Fred Meyer

Educational Background: David Douglas High School, Diploma, 2010; Portland State

University, Economics, BS, graduating Spring 2021.

Prior Governmental Experience: None

As a lifelong resident of East Portland and the husband of a public school teacher, I know that school districts on the East side face a number of challenges. I am ready to get to work addressing the needs of our most underserved communities and making sure that the priorities of the school budget represent those of the community. It is time for young, progressive voices to take a larger role in reshaping our public institutions.

(This information furnished by Matt Richardson)

# **Reynolds School District**

Director, Position 3

### **Michael Reyes**

Occupation: Education Specialist, Oregon Department of Education

Occupational Background: Community Engagement Officer, Northwest Health

Foundation; Director of Multicultural Programs, Linfield College; Admissions Counselor,

Washington State University Vancouver

Educational Background: Washington State University, BA, BS; WSU Vancouver, MPA

Prior Governmental Experience: Oregon Health Authority: Healthcare Workforce

Committee

As a working parent and lifelong educational advocate, I would be honored to serve as your next Reynolds School Board member. I bring over 17 years of experience in educational settings and philanthropy working closely with community to lead policy change. Now at the Oregon Department of Education, I lead the Latino/a/x Student Success Plan to support community-led efforts closing the educational opportunity gap across the state.

As your next School Board member, I'm committed to:

- Community Engagement Our families bring a wealth of life and cultural experiences and every Reynolds school will benefit from listening to and working alongside our families when making key decisions.
- Reflective staff We must work to measure to ensure our staff and teachers reflect our student population. Teachers who share the same cultural background and life experiences as our students can connect students and families in positive and impactful ways.
- Academic excellence I want to help build a district where every student receives the best education. This means investing in programs that honor the cultural and linguistic strengths of our students and help them achieve new heights.

I will work tirelessly to help ensure every Reynolds student receives the best education we can provide them and hope to earn your support.

Proudly supported by:

East County Rising

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**APANO** 

Reynolds School Board Directors Ana Gonzalez Muñoz and Yesenia Delgado

State Representatives Zach Hudson, Ricki Ruiz, and Khanh Pham

State Senators Chris Gorsek and Kayse Jama

Metro Councilor Shirley Craddick

Gresham City Councilor Eddy Morales

Troutdale City Councilor Jamie Kranz

Portland Commissioner Carmen Rubio MESD Director Jessica Arzate David Douglas School Board Chair Andrea Valderrama and Director Stephanie D. Stephens MHCC Board of Education Vice Chair Annette Mattson			
(This information furnished by Michael Reyes)			

# **Reynolds School District**

Director, Position 4

# **Cayle Tern**

Occupation: Human Services, Community Organizer

Occupational Background: Social Work; Business Management; Community Advocacy Educational Background: Portland State University, MSW, Social Work; California State University Chico, BS, Business Administration, Human Resources; Shasta College,

Associate's Degree, Arts, General Education

Prior Governmental Experience: None

Reynolds School Board Members, Ana Gonzalez Munoz and Yesenia Delgado, Endorses Cayle!

Every day I work with families in East Multnomah County to make their lives better. Many of these families are marginalized members of our community who haven't had access to the information and resources that all need to be successful.

It is the experiences of these families that I will bring to my work as a school board member. My priorities include:

- Strengthen partnerships with community organizations and leaders.
- Work towards building an education system where all kids feel welcome and reflected in the curriculum.
- Make sure all kids have access to comprehensive health services.
- Help our teachers create a positive learning environment, and ensure the safety of all students.

"Cayle has dedicated his professional career to serving his community, which gives him a deeper understanding of the many social issues plaguing our communities today. Please join me in supporting Cayle for school board." - Gresham Councilor Mario Palmero

Proudly Endorsed By:

State Representative Khan Pham

State Representative Ricki Ruiz

Multnomah County Commissioner, Lori Stegman

Eddy Morales, Gresham City Council

Mario Palmero, Gresham City Council

Wendy Lawton, Fairview City Council

Annette Mattson, Mt. Hood Community College Board

Christine Lewis, Metro Councilor

Jessica Arzate, Katrina Doughty, Multnomah Education Service District Amanda Orozco-Beach, Gresham Barlow School Board Robyn Stowers, Gresham-Barlow School Board Christine Chin Ryan, AAPI Community Leader Stand for Children East County Rising Service Employees International Union 503 Asian Pacific American Network of Oregon		
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# **Reynolds School District**

Director, Position 4

### **Bill Stewart**

Occupation: Retired Veteran Classroom Teacher Holbrook Unified School District #3 Occupational Background: Education, High Tech Industry (Fujitsu GMD) Educational Background: Judson College, History, AA; MHCC, Micro-Electronics, AAS,; City University of Seattle, Education, BA; Grand Canyon University, Educational Technology/ Curriculum, M.Ed..

Prior Governmental Experience: Local School Committee; City Councilperson and Council President for the City of Wood Village: Solid Waste Advisory Committee, Transportation Advisory Committee, PCP District 47 Captain.

Hello to every parent, teacher, and student in the Reynolds School District! My name is Bill Stewart and I grew-up here in East County and attended local schools and colleges. I received an excellent education, enabling me to make a comfortable living for my wife and children, which allowed me to contribute back to the community through local government and numerous volunteer activities. I want the same thing for our students and I will do everything that I can to help your student succeed.

But how do we accomplish this in this era of Covid? First, we need to play a bit of "catch-up" regarding the educational gap caused by the necessity of online classrooms. The choices are difficult and perhaps maybe a strain on all stakeholders. Some of these choices could include summer school, year round school, and after school tutoring to name a few. Obviously we need to have some frank discussions with all stakeholders, parents, teachers, administrators, students and interested parties.

Finally, we really must directly address Reynolds High School graduation rates in 2020 which were roughly 68%, as well as math and reading proficiencies at 21% and 34% respectively.

My personal teacher's mission statement is a bit of wisdom from 2300 years ago: Plato, Do not bring children to learning by harsh measures, but rather, that which amuses their minds. That you may discover the regular bent of genius within each of them. Each child has true genius within them, it falls to us all, working together, to guide them toward that truth.

(This information furnished by Bill Stewart)

# **Riverdale School District**

Director, Position 1

### **Jeff Dominitz**

Occupation: Economist (Principal Researcher at non-profit Education Analytics)
Occupational Background: Economics professor/researcher/instructor (Carnegie Mellon University, University of Southern California, California Institute of Technology, University of Michigan); Senior Economist (RAND Corporation); Director of Statistics (Philadelphia Eagles); Senior Director (Resolution Economics); Economics/Analytics Consultant (Sole Proprietor)

Educational Background: University of Virginia, B.A., Economics; University of Wisconsin-Madison, Ph.D., Economics

Prior Governmental Experience: Community member of the Riverdale School District Budget Committee

Since moving into the Riverdale School District seven years ago, I've been deeply involved in the Riverdale school community as a parent of three, as a volunteer in the classroom and on the ball fields, and as a member of various volunteer committees.

I have spent my professional career working to help households, businesses, and governmental organizations make better decisions. For the past year, I've been working with school districts and states across the country to help them respond to Covid-19. Yes, helping leaders in K-12 education innovate using data and technology is literally my day job.

Now, I want to use my experience and expertise to help our district.

We need to bring positive change to the leadership of the Riverdale School District

• To make that happen, we need to elect new Board members on May 18

Let's make a true commitment to excellence We need leadership with vision to

- Build on our academic strengths and address our weaknesses at RGS and RHS
- Continue to enhance supports for the emotional wellbeing of our students
- Identify opportunities for Riverdale to stand out
- Ensure our long-term financial stability and integrity

Let's bring our community together

• We need to rebuild trust and our sense of common purpose through transparency, appropriate communications, and demonstrating that we value and respect all of our community members with a commitment to inclusion

Let's tackle our problems head on

Check out dominitz4riverdale.org to learn more

(This information furnished by Jeff Dominitz for Riverdale)	
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# **Riverdale School District**

Director, Position 3

#### **Carrie Outhier Banks**

Occupation: Domestic Violence Advocate, Author (release 2021!)

Occupational Background: Executive Director, DVSD

Educational Background: UTennesse, BA, UArkensas, MA, GMU- PhD Prior Governmental Experience: Incumbent Chair-Riverdale School Board

A vote for Incumbent Carrie Banks is a vote for financial stability, experienced leadership and the only candidate and Board member with a child at Riverdale High School.

It has been an honor and privilege leading the Riverdale School Board as Chair during our transition from CDL back to in-person school, while shepherding new administrations at both the High School and District levels. Representing Riverdale on the MESD Regional Equity Board and MESD budget committee has strengthened connections for our schools. I will continue to work closely with our Superintendent and new Business Manager to improve the timeliness and accuracy of our financial projections in order to pass a student-centric budget each year.

I recommended that we conduct a new extensive 2021-2025 Strategic Plan involving input from all constituents leading to a more unified district/community with clear direction and vision. As we push to return all students to the classroom this spring, I will work with the administration to quickly address any educational gaps and impacts as a result of being away from in-person learning. Additionally, I am asking for the opportunity to continue working to address the following:

### High School

- Continuing to highlight the enhancement of educational, racial and religious equity, diversity and anti-bullying programs -- Anti-Semitism witnessed by my children and our Special Education experience make it personal for me
- Solidifying the College Counselor position through consistent funding, strengthening our college prep program
- Elevating science and math curriculum ultimately raising AP participation and test scores
- Returning field studies

**Grade School** 

Maintaining coveted small class sizes
Selecting talented, committed leadership
Establishing funds for a certified librarian position
Revisiting preschool options with parents
My family and I are proud to have been residents and supporters of the Riverdale district for over 13 years. I would appreciate your vote.
(This information furnished by Carrie Outhier Banks)
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# **Riverdale School District**

Director, Position 3

#### Michele Rosenbaum

Occupation: President, Elizabella, Inc.

Occupational Background: Retail; Real Estate Investments Educational Background: University of California Los Angeles

Prior Governmental Experience: Riverdale District HS/GS Equity, Interview

Committees; Notary Public

My husband and I chose Riverdale in 2008, have four wonderful children and are deeply invested in the success of our schools. I have volunteered extensively throughout my years in Dunthorpe/Riverdale and have had children in every classroom from Pre-K through 12th grade.

- Back to School: I am committed to thoroughly planning to provide full-time, uninterrupted education in the fall while building our reputation for academic excellence into the future.
- Fiscal Viability and Responsibility: We have a vested interest in our district and we must safeguard the longevity and growth of our community. I will ask difficult budget questions that concern our supporting taxpayers. My background in real estate and business has prepared me to manage district financials to ensure the success of our schools.
- Connection and Transparency: I will rebuild community trust by recognizing and utilizing our parents as assets. While bringing back open communication among community members and leadership, my decision process will always consider our students first.
- Elevating Academic Excellence: We can distinguish Riverdale as one of the best school districts in the country by further developing individualized education and programs such as special education and TAG.
- Commitment to Equity and Embracing Diversity: I am committed to offering a well-rounded Riverdale education that values and enhances our students' different backgrounds and perspectives.

"Michele is an organized leader that is adept at providing clear, consistent communication. She has also worked hard over the years to make Riverdale the best it can be. I cannot recommend anyone more highly than Michele for Riverdale School Board director."

Henry Hillman
"Michele has stepped up at a critical time for our high school. After having kids at the high school, she knows what it takes to support college goals, excellence in education and our students first."  Mary Potter
Learn more at: RosenbaumforRiverdale.org
(This information furnished by Michele Rosenbaum)
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# **Riverdale School District**

Director, Position 5

### **Allison Williams**

Occupation: Investigator, Litigation Consultant, Riverdale Volunteer

Occupational Background: Attorney

Educational Background: University of Texas; Lewis and Clark Law School Prior Governmental Experience: Multnomah County Deputy District Attorney

### Allison's Commitment to Riverdale

#### Education

- Students deserve access to a full-time education with a live teacher. I will make student-centered decisions based in science.
- Our district will benefit from increased academic offerings including TAG, languages and electives, college prep coursework, enhanced STEM and programs that make Riverdale unique.

#### Excellence

- Riverdale schools must differentiate themselves as programs of academic excellence, demonstrating the strength of public schools.
- Our families and community are our biggest assets. I will embrace creative thinking and collaboration to utilize our many talents and resources.

### Leadership

- The role of the School Board is to create a strategic vision for the district and oversee its execution by the Superintendent.
- Planning to restore full school days must be fiscally responsible and consistent with the long-term financial stability of our district.
- The school board must establish a culture of compliance to ensure accountability and legal and ethical integrity.

# Transparency

• Frequency and quality of communications must be increased to improve the district-community relationship.

• I will encourage regular opportunities for dialogue between community members and district leadership that demonstrate an appreciation for diverse viewpoints.

Riverdale Volunteer Positions

- Riverdale Foundation: Annual Campaign Acting Co-Chair, Director, Call Captain
- Riverdale School District: Strategic Development Planning Team, Superintendent Interview Team
- Riverdale Grade School PTC Board: President, President Elect, Co-Chair of Communications
- Riverdale Grade School Auction: Co-Chair, Procurement Chair, Co-Chair of Communications

"She stepped in as my acting co-chair on the Riverdale Foundation Annual Campaign during the most challenging fundraising year on record, bringing to the table innovative ideas and thought-provoking interpretations. She has incredible empathy and a vision for our schools that ascribes to excellence in education and our shared community experience. I cannot recommend her highly enough for the position of school board member." - Amber Hillman

www.AllisonWilliams.org

(This information furnished by Allison Williams for Riverdale School Board)

# **Riverdale School District**

Director, Position 5

#### **Kevin McPherson**

Occupation: Regional Director, Fidelity Asset Management; Riverdale Incumbent School District Board Member; Riverdale Basketball Coach

Occupational Background: Marketing Director; Riverdale School District Coach Educational Background: University of California, Berkeley, Economics, BA

Prior Governmental Experience: Riverdale Incumbent School District Board Member

## Together We Are Better

My life's experiences and perspective have prepared me to make a lasting impact on my community. I ask for your vote to help make Riverdale the best educational environment for all students and families.

### My Story

My wife and I were raised by public school educators, giving us an appreciation for a quality education and volunteerism in our school community. For these reasons, we enrolled our daughter into Riverdale as an out-of-District family 13 years ago. We subsequently moved in District and our younger daughter now attends Riverdale. I served as a volunteer coach for the 5th and 6th grade girls' basketball team and assisted with High School Track. I am currently a District employee coaching girls' 7th and 8th grade basketball.

30 years of financial industry experience gives me the ability to understand budgeting, planning and compliance. When the Board position became available in December, I felt providing an additional perspective to the voices already on the Board would serve to strengthen the decision-making process and enhance outcomes to better represent the broader community.

### **Top Priorities**

- Returning to Full Day Instruction
- Staffing Stability
- Increasing Financial Stability
- Diversity and Inclusion
- Small Class Size
- Curriculum Expansion

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Since being unanimously appointed in December to fill the remaining term of this seat, I have:

- Advocated for the safe return of students to the classroom;
- Provided input on the:
- Memorandum of Understanding with the Teachers' Association, facilitating the return to the classroom for students;
- Lease agreement with Portland Public Schools;
- Development of Bias Incident Complaint Procedure;
- Educational Equity Policy;
- Represented Riverdale on the Multnomah Educational Service District Regional Board Equity Team.

Your vote will allow me to continue the work I have just begun.

www.Kevin4Riverdale.com

(This information furnished by Kevin McPherson)

# **Corbett Fire District**

Director, Position 2

### **Victoria Purvine**

Occupation: Contracting

Occupational Background: Management, Sales, Clerical

Educational Background: University of Oregon, BA in Management, BA in Marketing

Diploma from Toledo High School.

Prior Governmental Experience: Northeast Multnomah County Community Association; Fair Dismissal and Appeals Board; Corbett School Board; Multnomah County Charter Review Committee; Historic Columbia River Highway Collaborative Oregon Solutions; Multnomah County Planning Commission; Corbett Fire District Budget Committee

I believe my past and present experiences will make me a positive addition to the current Fire District Board. I look forward to being a member of the team and am asking for your vote.

(This information furnished by Victoria Purvine)

# **Corbett Fire District**

Director, Position 3

### **Charles Ciecko**

Occupation: Retired

Occupational Background: Special Projects Manager, North Clackamas Parks and Recreation District. January, 2006 - June, 2009; Director - North Clackamas Parks and Recreation District. April, 2003 – January, 2006; Director - Metro Regional Parks and Greenspaces Department. January, 1994 – January, 2003; Parks Manager - Multnomah County Parks Services Division. November, 1984 - December 1993; Regional Park Supervisor - Oxbow Park, Multnomah County Parks Services Division 1975 - 1984 Educational Background: Oregon State University, Resource/Recreation Mgmt. Bachelor of Science, 1974

Prior Governmental Experience: Multnomah County Rural Fire Protection Dist.10, 2013-2021

(This information furnished by Charles Ciecko)

# **Tualatin Valley Fire and Rescue District**

Director, Position 1

### **Bob Wyffels**

Occupation: Semi-Retired General Contractor

Occupational Background: Tektronix, Morrison Knudensen, Self employed Educational Background: Oregon State University, Forestry, No; Portland State

University, General Studies, No.

Prior Governmental Experience: Tualatin Rural Fire Protection District - Budget Committee 7 years; Tigard Water District - Commissioner 5 years; Tualatin Valley Fire and Rescue - Budget Committee 6 years; Tualatin Valley Fire and Rescue - Director since 1996; Washington County Consolidated Communication Agency since 1996.

Robert C. (Bob) Wyffels is running for re-election to the Tualatin Valley Fire District, Board of Directors, Position #1.

Qualifications:

- Citizen participant with the fire district since 1984
- TVFR & Tualatin Rural Fire District Budget Committee member for 13 years
- Requested to apply for and was appointed to TVFR Board of Directors in 1996
- Successfully ran for re-election every 4 years since 1997
- Have held every leadership position on the Board of Directors
- Worked with 5 different Fire Chiefs since 1984
- Director of Washington County Consolidated Communications Agency (WCCCA) (911) since 1996
- Currently serving as 1st Vice-Chair of WCCCA Board of Directors
- Tigard Water District Commissioner for 5 years

Directors of TVFR are responsible for: Policy, budget and clear standards of performance TVFR has become one of the most respected fire districts in Oregon and the United States TVFR has achieved AAA bond rating for over a decade I hope that you are proud of the accomplishments of TVFR during my tenure as a Director, the future looks very good for the people that we serve!

I humbly ask for your vote for the position of Director in the May 18, 2021 election! Respectfully, Bob Wyffels

(This information furnished by Bob Wyffels)
The above information has not been verified for accuracy by Multnomah County.

# **Tualatin Valley Fire and Rescue District**

Director, Position 3

#### **Gordon L Hovies**

Occupation: Retired Lieutenant / EMT, Portland Fire & Rescue
Occupational Background: Volunteer Firefighter Tualatin Rural Fire Protection District,
Professional Firefighter Clackamas County Fire District #54, Professional Firefighter/
Officer Portland Fire & Rescue, Communication and Security Business Experience
Educational Background: Eastern Oregon University – Fire Administrative Studies,
Portland Community College – AAS Fire Protection Technology, Western Oregon
University – Advanced & Basic Fire Institute/Administrators Certificate
Prior Governmental Experience: 2009 to Present: Tualatin Valley Fire & Rescue Board
Member, 2020 to Present Vice President of TVF&R Fire Board, 2017 to 2020 Secretary/
Treasurer of TVF&R Fire Board, 2015 to 2017 President of TVF&R Fire Board, Present
member of METRO – Metro Policy Advisory Committee, Present Member of Clackamas
County ALS Consortium.

Comprehensive – Experience – Proficient

Gordon is running for reelection to his fourth term. During his tenure Gordon has continued to follow through to be a driving force and good steward in representing the Citizens and Businesses served by Tualatin Valley Fire & Rescue (TVF&R) to make informed decisions.

Since the last election Gordon has overseen:

- The annexation of City of Newberg Fire Department and Newberg Rural Fire Protection district.
- The relocation and upgrading of a new fleet maintenance center.
- The addition and upgrading of Fire Stations.
- Chehalem Mountain and Wildland Urban interface activity,
- Corvid 19 application.

Gordon has previously and will continue to make sure TVF&R:

- Be Financially Stable and Responsible
- Keep up to date with the latest pertinent Technology, Training and Staffing.
- Actively Coordinates and Collaborate with other Fire Departments and Municipal entities.

The past year has been very challenging, now is not the time to get complacent. Through good planning, training, and leadership we have to make sure to continue to be prepared for the next emergency to provide the best service practices possible for those served by TVF&R with reelecting Gordon.			
Gordon Been Endorsed by: Denny Doyle, Former Mayor of Beaverton John Cook, Former Mayor of Tigard Tualatin Valley Fire Fighters Union, IAFF Local 1660			
Re-Elect Gordon L Hovies – TVF&R Fire Position #3			
(This information furnished by Gordon L Hovies)			
The above information has not been verified for accuracy by Multnomah County.			

# **Pleasant Home Water Dist.**

Commissioner, Position 1

### Jim Carlson

Occupation: Team Captain, Horizon Air

Occupational Background: Co-Owner, Carlson Nursery; Police Officer, Columbia City Police Department; Reserve Deputy Sheriff, Multnomah County Sheriff's Office Educational Background: Sam Barlow High School, Diploma; University of Portland, Computer Science, BS, 1987; Eastern Oregon University, Business Administration, MBA, 2017

Prior Governmental Experience: Current President of Pleasant Home Water District; Current Treasurer of East Multnomah Soil and Water Conservation District; Past Board Member of USDA Farm Service Agency County Committee

I have been on the board for the past 4 years continuing in a position that my father held for many years. I have lived in the district all of my life and I look forward to continuing to serve the citizens of the district.

(This information furnished by Jim Carlson)

# **Tualatin Valley Water Dist.**

Commissioner, Position 3

### Jim Duggan

Occupation: Civil and Environmental Engineer

Occupational Background: Senior Engineer, City of Beaverton Community Development

Department. Served in various public works positions with Beaverton since 1984.

Educational Background: Portland State University, Bachelor of Science, Civil

Engineering; Sunset High School Graduate

Prior Governmental Experience: Commissioner, Tualatin Valley Water District (1993-

Present); Regional Water Providers Consortium (1998-Present); Joint Water

Commission (1996.2002); Willamette Water Supply Commission (2019-Present).

Thank you for letting me serve as your Water Commissioner for nearly 28 years. By reading this voters' pamphlet, you truly care about your water system. Provision of high-quality, safe, and reliable water at a reasonable price should not be taken for granted. This is why I have chosen to serve and again seek re-election.

As a life-long resident of Cedar Hills, I am keenly aware of the District's history and importance to the economic well-being of Washington County.

It is my vision that the District will continue to pursue sustainable practices, explore economic efficiencies, and properly plan for growth.

The Willamette Water Supply Project, in partnership with Hillsboro and Beaverton, is now being constructed. Our District is blessed with two existing, high-quality water sources but they are limited in capacity and vulnerable to earthquake damage. The WWSP is a critical infrastructure investment which will provide a third, high-quality, reliable, and resilient water supply to TVWD.

#### VOTERS SHOULD DECIDE FLUORIDATION POLICY CHANGES

The fluoridation question is difficult. Currently, pharmaceutical-grade, sodium-fluoride additive is now used within the Wolf Creek Highway portion of our District (the Metzger portion has no fluoride addition). I firmly believe that the decision to fluoridate or not should be made only through voter initiative and approval.

### PREPARING FOR THE FUTURE

The District has a long history of successes and an excellent staff. I am determined to maintain and improve the efficient, reliable operation of the District not only for our community today but also for the benefit of future generations.

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# **Measure 26-221**

Referred to the People by the Board of County Commissioners
BALLOT TITLE

# Five year levy: Oregon Historical Society Library, Museum, educational programs.

Question: Shall County renew 5-year history museum, library, educational programs levy; maintain \$.05 per \$1,000 assessed value, oversight, beginning 2021? This measure renews current local option taxes.

Summary: In 2016 voters approved a five-year local option levy of \$.05 per \$1,000 assessed property value to support the Oregon Historical Society (OHS). Renewal of this levy will continue support to the OHS's museum, library, educational programs, and fund the following without increasing taxes:

- Educational programs;
- Free admission to school groups and Multnomah County residents;
- Preservation of important Oregon treasures and artifacts;
- Support four County historical societies: Fairview-Rockwood-Wilkes Historical Society, Gresham Historical Society, Troutdale Historical Society, and Crown Point Country Historical Society;
- OHS will continue to build on its efforts to provide exhibits and services that reflect the diverse histories of our region, and engage all parts of our county.

Levy continues rate of \$.05 per \$1,000 assessed property value, and replaces the 2016 levy. A home assessed at \$200,000 pays \$10 a year.

An independent citizen oversight committee will review expenditures to verify that funds are used as approved by voters.

Annual audits will be conducted and made public.

The levy will produce an estimated \$3.35 million for fiscal year 2021-2022; \$3.41 million for fiscal year 2022-2023; \$3.57 million for fiscal year 2023-2024; \$3.72 million for fiscal year 2024-2025; and \$3.87 million for fiscal year 2025-2026.

The estimated cost for this measure is an ESTIMATE ONLY based on the best information available from the county assessor at the time of estimate.

# **EXPLANATORY STATEMENT**

Established in 1898, the Oregon Historical Society (OHS) collects, maintains, and preserves the vast majority of historical records and artifacts for Portland and the state of Oregon. About 60% of the library materials relate directly to Multnomah County history, and OHS acts as the Multnomah County Historical Society.

In addition to OHS' collection of over 85,000 artifacts, 5 million photographs, 25,000 maps, and more, OHS maintains a museum and public research library in downtown Portland. Approximately 70,000 visitors use these facilities a year, including about 8,000 schoolchildren who visit the museum for guided tours, and access the library to research Oregon history.

This Multnomah County local option levy will keep OHS' museum open seven days a week (47 hours a week) and the library open to the public 32 hours a week. It supports curation for the museum, and the continued collection and protection of Oregon's historical artifacts and documents. Levy funds will also protect the collection of Oregon history documents and artifacts, and public access to those, at four East Multnomah County Historical Societies -- Fairview-Rockwood-Wilkes Historical Society, Gresham Historical Society, Troutdale Historical Society, and Crown Point Country Historical Society -- which together will receive \$160,000 of the levy each of the five years.

The levy supports continuation of educational programs including free admission for all school groups who visit the museum and library, and for all County residents -- providing access to those otherwise unable to visit due to cost. Funds shall be allocated in a manner that supports an OHS board, partnerships, staff, exhibits and programs that proactively represent Multnomah County's diverse cultures.

The cost of the levy renewal is \$.05 (five cents) per \$1,000 assessed property value, beginning 2021 through 2026. For example, the owner of a home assessed by the County at \$200,000 will continue to pay \$10 a year for this levy.

Accountability is a component of the levy. The Multnomah County Chair will continue to appoint an independent citizens oversight committee -- representative of Multnomah County's diverse communities -- to review all levy expenditures and ensure funds are spent as approved by voters, and shall advise and support OHS in ensuring that its board, partnerships, staff, exhibits and programs proactively represent Multnomah County's diverse cultures. In addition, Multnomah County will continue to select an auditor, for which OHS will pay, to conduct annual audits of levy funds that will be made available to the public.

This levy will fund approximately one-third of operations at OHS. Other funds come

from admissions, grants, and private donations.
Submitted by:
Eric Arellano, Chief Financial Officer Multnomah County
NO ARGUMENTS IN OPPOSITION TO THIS MEASURE WERE FILED.

# **Measure 26-221**

### ARGUMENT IN FAVOR

For over a century, the Oregon Historical Society has served as the safeguard for our rich history. Measure

26-221 will help to preserve what makes our home unique, without raising the tax rate.

Thousands of students visit the Oregon Historical Society's museum and library each year—in person and online—to discover the people, places, and events that have shaped our home.

During a year like no other, as a global pandemic and nightly protests shone a bright light on racial inequality, the Oregon Historical Society upheld its responsibility to provide context and record these moments for future generations.

Renewing the levy will allow the Oregon Historical Society to continue its important education and preservation work as a repository of Oregon's history, by providing:

- · Free admission to all Multnomah County residents and school groups.
- · Free public lectures and educator workshops.
- · Original exhibitions showcasing Multnomah County's diverse cultures.
- · Preservation of millions of documents, photographs, and artifacts.
- Support for four local Multnomah County historical societies in East Portland, Gresham, Troutdale, and Crown Point.

Help preserve Oregon history and education, all without raising the tax rate. Please join us in voting "YES" on Measure 26-221.

Multnomah County Chair Deborah Kafoury Multnomah County Commissioner Lori Stegmann Multnomah County Commissioner Susheela Jayapal

Multnomah County Commissioner Jessica Vega Pederson Portland Public School Board Chair Eilidh Lowery

David Douglas School Board Chair Andrea Valderrama Former Governor Barbara Roberts

Former Governor Ted Kulongoski and Mary Oberst Former State Senator Margaret Carter

Former State Senator Avel L. Gordly

Former Multnomah County Commissioner Diane McKeel Former Multnomah County Commissioner Serena Cruz Mark Moore, Executive Director, Gresham Historical Society

Peggy Olin, President, East County Historical Organization LeAnn Stephan,

**Executive Director, Troutdale Historical Society** 

Charles A. Rollins, President, Crown Point Country Historical Society

Laura Lo Forti, Vanport Mosaic

Helen Ying, Chinese American Citizens Alliance Zachary Stocks, Executive Director, Oregon Black Pioneers

Willie Richardson, President, Oregon Black Pioneers Judith Margles, Director, Oregon Jewish Museum and Center for Holocaust Education

(This information furnished by Inna Levin, Yes for Oregon History)

### ARGUMENT IN FAVOR

### **Help Keep Oregon History Alive**

The Oregon Historical Society's research library is an essential tool for our state's artists, researchers, students, and teachers.

Oregonians of all stripes visit virtually or in person and come away having discovered photographs, maps, or letters connected directly to them.

Passing 26-221 will continue to support the research library, funding our preservation and digitization efforts, without raising taxes.

For more than 123 years, Oregonians have proudly supported the Oregon Historical Society in collecting, preserving, and displaying photographs, manuscripts, museum objects, and archeological finds about the history of Oregon. The Oregon Historical Society holds the largest collection in the world pertaining to the Oregon Country. The collections are renowned and well-used by visitors seeking to learn about Oregon, scholars researching topics for books or articles in OHS' award-winning Oregon Historical Quarterly, and local residents interested in their neighborhoods or family history.

The collection includes:

- . 85,000 artifacts
- . 45,000 books and publications
- . 20,000,000 photographs
- . 25,000 maps
- . 20,000 cubic feet of manuscripts
- . Thousands of reels of motion picture film
- . 2,800 oral history interviews
- · Over 33,000 items in OHS Digital Collections
- . Thousands of additional digitized items on the OregonHistory Project, Oregon

Encyclopedia, and the library's online catalog

Please join Oregon's historians and researchers by voting YES for Oregon History.

Janice Dilg, Consulting Historian, HistoryBuilt William F. Willingham, Ph. D., Consulting Historian Johanna Ogden, M.A., Independent Historian

Nikki Mandel, Labor Historian, Professor of History Dr. Carmen P. Thompson, Historian, Portland State University

Dr. Darrell Millner, Professor Emeritus, Portland State University
Katrine Barber, Associate Professor of History, Portland State University
Peggy Olin, President, East County Historical Organization (ECHO)
LeAnn Stephan, Executive Director, Troutdale Historical Society
Charles A. Rollins, President, Crown Point Country Historical Society

Sandy Cartisser, Treasurer, Crown Point Country Historical Society

Mark Moore, Executive Director, Gresham Historical Society

Leslie Radke, Board Member, Gresham Historical Society Carol Neilsen, Board Member, Gresham Historical Society

(This information furnished by Inna Levin, Yes for Oregon History)

### ARGUMENT IN FAVOR

Teachers and Education Leaders Support Oregon History, and in return, the Oregon Historical Society supports us!

As local schoolteachers and education leaders, we have seen firsthand the impact the Oregon Historical Society has on our students as they discover the people, places, and events that have helped to shape our unique state.

By fourth grade, Oregon students have begun learning local history, including about the Indigenous people who have lived here since time immemorial, European and American explorers, and settlers from across the continent and across

the Pacific Ocean. In later grades, students dig into the people and ideas that have shaped U.S. and Oregon history, including our state's role in our nation's story.

With Measure 26-221, Multnomah County school groups can continue to visit the Oregon Historical Society and access their amazing online resources for free, making history come alive and creating a positive difference for our students.

The Oregon Historical Society has supported us through the challenges of distance learning—providing professional development opportunities and project-based curriculum we

can use with our students. OHS helped us provide high-quality learning even amidst school closures.

Nothing can compare to students seeing history before them, and as schools move back to in-person learning, we're excited to visit OHS and introduce our students to the new Experience Oregon exhibit. By seeing artifacts firsthand, students can relate to our state's visionary leaders like Oregon's famed suffragist Abigail Scott Duniway and Presidential of Freedom Medal awardee and civil rights leader Minoru Yasui. Bringing a subject alive keeps students engaged long after they return to the classroom.

Please join us in voting yes for Measure 26-221 and in keeping this valuable resource available for future generations of Oregon students.

Portland Public School Board Chair Eilidh Lowery David Douglas School Board Chair Andrea Valderrama Abigail Webb, Teacher

Matt Campeau, Social Studies teacher, Ida B Wells High School

Amber Mondae-Bozman, North Portland Virtual Online Program

Claire Garrott, 6th and 7th grade Teacher, Rock Creek Middle School

Gregory J.K. Garcia, Jr., Social Studies Teacher/Public Historian, Franklin High School

Sarah Anderson, Educator/Curriculum Designer, The Cottonwood School of Civics and Science

(This information furnished by Inna Levin, Yes for Oregon History)

### ARGUMENT IN FAVOR

### **East Multnomah County History Benefits from Measure 26-221**

Multnomah County history is Oregon history, from Indigenous peoples to immigrants of past and present. Levy dollars enable us to preserve and pass down to future generations knowledge of the past, across our entire community.

Passing Measure 26-221 not only assists the Oregon Historical Society, it also provides essential support to four East Multnomah County Historical Societies. With levy support:

- East County Historical Organization (ECHO) continued their mission of preserving and stimulating an interest in the history of the Fairview, Rockwood and Wilkes areas of East Multnomah County and in their care of the historic Heslin House and Zimmerman House.
- Gresham Historical Society hired an executive director and significantly improved its ability to fulfill its mission and commitment to the local community.
- Troutdale Historical Society educated visitors at the King of the Roads Exhibit, which marked the centennial of the Columbia River Highway, and continued to gather and preserve material relating to the history of Troutdale, the Sandy River, and the

Columbia River Gorge.

Crown Point Country Historical Society moved forward with the ongoing construction of their exciting new museum in Corbett. This museum will include an "Indigenous People's Path" that will chronicle the lives of the earliest people of this area and will include the oral, pictographic, and petroglyphic histories of indigenous peoples and tribal families.

As the directors of these regional historical societies, we know how important this levy is to the ongoing preservation of local letters, maps, oral histories, and artifacts. These are the treasures that help document the story of our unique area.

With your support for Measure 26-221, we can continue sharing knowledge, collections, expertise, and materials.

Please vote Yes for historic preservation in ALL of Multnomah County!

Mark Moore, Executive Director, Gresham Historical Society

Peggy Olin, President, East County Historical Organization Charles A. Rollins, President, Crown Point Country Historical Society

LeAnn Stephan, Executive Director, Troutdale Historical Society

(This information furnished by Inna Levin, Yes for Oregon History)

### ARGUMENT IN FAVOR

Higher Education Professors for Oregon History Please vote Yes on Measure 26-221

Reading, studying, and interpreting Oregon's history is as important to understanding our state's past as it is to preparing for our future. Without the Oregon Historical Society, our local academics wouldn't have access to the basic information we need.

We rely on the research library, museum, and Oregon Historical Quarterly for essential resources, including:

- Unique artifacts, including memorabilia from Oregon's non- Indigenous settlements, political and cultural ephemera, items related to arts and crafts, maritime history, and experiences of diverse ethnic groups;
- Millions of feet of film, videotape, microfilm, and documents. With 20 million photographs that detail Oregon's history available, there is really nothing like it in the world; and
- The Oregon Historical Quarterly, a peer-reviewed journal dedicated entirely to Oregon history.

We ask that you join us in voting yes for Measure 26-221, renewing support for this go-to source for Oregon's history.

Dr. Carmen P. Thompson, Historian, Portland State University

Dr. Darrell Millner, Professor Emeritus, Portland State University
Katrine Barber, Associate Professor of History, Portland State University
Dr. Shirley A. Jackson, Department of Sociology, Portland State University
Nikki Mandel, Labor Historian, Professor of History

(This information furnished by Inna Levin, Yes for Oregon History)

### ARGUMENT IN FAVOR

#### A Vote for 26-221 is a Vote for Our Local Culture

From Portland's famous penny toss to ringing in the Chinese New Year to learning about the tragic Vanport flood, the Oregon Historical Society provides a rich and necessary context to our home, reminding us of how we got to where and who we are. OHS serves as our collective memory, and has done so for over 120 years.

As leaders of Oregon's cultural and civic institutions we fully support the renewal of this important levy and recommend a Yes vote for Oregon History.

In addition, we are encouraged by the Oregon Historical Society's continued work to reflect Multnomah County's rich and diverse community—from its leadership and staff, to exhibits, partnerships, and programs.

We understand that Oregon's rich history cannot be contained within a single story or point of view, and that re-examination and new interpretations are necessary as shifts occur within our society.

This resource is essential to Oregon's cultural and civic community, providing inspiration and knowledge. It provides a platform to ask questions, make discoveries, and build connections with our neighbors.

We say Yes for Oregon History and Yes for Oregon's Cultural Fabric.

Laura Lo Forti, Vanport Mosaic Jim Lommasson, Photographer

Sankar Raman, The Immigrant Story

Serena Cruz, Virginia Garcia Memorial Foundation Zachary Stocks, President, Oregon Black Pioneers Willie Richardson, President, Oregon Black Pioneers Helen Ying, Executive Vice President, Chinese American Citizens Alliance Tracy Quan, Portland Chinatown History Foundation/ Chinatown Museum

Harris Matarrazo, Portland Chinatown History Foundation/ Chinatown Museum

Sarah Leong Chung, Portland Chinatown History Foundation/ Chinatown Museum

Judith Margles, Director, Oregon Jewish Museum and Center for Holocaust Education

Douglas Detrick, Executive Director, Portland Jazz Composers Ensemble

(This information furnished by Inna Levin, Yes for Oregon History)	

### ARGUMENT IN FAVOR

## A Measure with Oversight

As part of the original levy, the Multnomah County Chair appointed an independent citizens oversight committee to review all levy expenditures and <u>ensure dollars are spent as approved by voters</u>, a practice which will continue with the levy renewal.

The Levy Oversight Committee ensures the Oregon Historical Society has <u>met its</u> <u>accountability targets</u>, including:

- . Ensuring a quality financial audit has been completed.
- . Expanding hours of operation.
- · Providing free access to Multnomah County residents.
- . Supporting exhibits, programs, and operations that proactively represent Multnomah County's diverse communities.

The Levy Oversight Committee is made up of community members, meets at least twice a year, and reports annually to the Multnomah County Board of Commissioners.

Levy Oversight Committee Co-Chairs June Schumann and Diane McKeel presented to the Multnomah County Board of Commissioners on February 18, 2021 [agenda item R.1], and share the Committee's findings:

"For the ten years since the levy's inception, the citizens of Multnomah County including those who in the past might have been unable to afford it, have greatly benefited from free admission to a world class history museum and research library... it is the belief of the [Levy Oversight Committee]

that Multnomah County residents have benefitted from a modest levy that supports a historical society that has provided free admission to compelling and educational exhibits and programs for the past ten years, and is committed to doing so for the next five years." —June Schumann

"Thanks in no small part to the reliable levy funding, [the] four east county [heritage] organizations have continued to serve the residents of Multnomah County. As an East County resident, one of the most satisfying aspects of serving on the Levy Oversight Committee has been the opportunity to see how the levy funds have stabilized and energized these four organizations." —Diane McKeel, regarding the local historical societies supported by the levy in East Portland, Gresham, Troutdale, and Crown Point.

(This information furnished by Inna Levin, Yes for Oregon History)

### ARGUMENT IN FAVOR

### Measure 26-221 Fulfills a Mission Important to All Oregonians

The Oregon Historical Society preserves our state's history and makes it accessible to everyone in ways that advance knowledge and inspire curiosity about the people, places, and events that have shaped Oregon.

Renewing this levy will not only allow the Oregon Historical Society to continue its critical education and preservation work— work that persisted during the past year, with efforts like the Share your Story campaign that asked Oregonians to reflect on living through the pandemic—it will do it **without raising taxes**.

Moreover, we will continue to build exhibits and programs that reflect the diverse histories of our region and engage all parts of our county.

### The Oregon Historical Society is Financially Responsible and Well Managed

As board and cabinet members, we can say with confidence that the Oregon Historical Society manages finances responsibly and transparently. An independent citizens oversight committee, appointed by the Multnomah County Chair As part of the original levy, reviews all levy expenditures and ensures dollars are spent as approved by voters.

Join the Oregon Historical Society Board and Cabinet in voting yes for Measure 26-221

President, Mary Faulkner

Ferguson Wellman Capital Management, Portland

Vice President, Mort Bishop III Pendleton Woolen Mills, Portland

Secretary, Leslie Spencer Community Volunteer, Portland

Treasurer, Jim Parker

**UBS Financial Services, Portland** 

Serena Cruz

**Virginia Garcia Memorial Foundation** 

**Frank Grady** 

Retired, Grady Britton, Portland

Dr. Steve Brown

**Custom Decorators, Inc., Portland** 

**April Clark** 

**Event Assistant, Swaim Strategies** 

**Janet Pardo** 

**Community Volunteer, Portland** 

John Russell

Russell Development Co., Inc., Portland

**Erin Zollenkopf** 

Susan Matlack Jones & Associates, Portland

John Herman

**Former Chair of OHS Board of Trustees** 

**Emily Rogers** 

**Program Specialist, Cambia Health Foundation** 

**Chris Rogers** 

**ITS Systems Engineer, TriMet** 

**Vera Warren** 

**Judicial Law Clerk, Oregon Court of Appeals** 

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# **Scappoose Rural Fire District**

# Measure 5-285

### **BALLOT TITLE**

Replacement five-year local option levy for emergency service operations.

Question: Shall District levy \$1.99 per \$1,000 of assessed value for five years beginning 2021-2022 for emergency service operations? This may cause property taxes to increase more than three percent.

Summary: Scappoose Rural Fire Protection District provides fire, rescue, and emergency medical services. With this measure, the District's elected Board of Directors is asking voters to replace the current local option levy of \$1.24 per \$1,000 of assessed value.

In 2020 SRFD responded to 1,916 calls of which 40% were overlapping medical call, which is a 15% increase from 2016. The community's demand for Fire and EMS response is increasing.

The current local option levy funds over 60% of operations for fire and ambulance response for the district. This proposed levy will retain all current emergency response staff and add three additional 24-hour positions. This will fund 2 ambulances 24/7 and improve response times with over lapping calls.

The new local option levy would increase the existing levy by \$0.75, making this new local option levy \$1.99 per \$1,000 of assessed value and will begin 7/1/2021. The new rate of \$1.99/\$1000 on a home with a \$200,000 assessed value would increase your taxes \$150.

The levy would raise approximately \$2,668,639 in 2021·2022, \$2,745,608 in 2022-2023, \$2,827,977 in 2023-2024, \$2,912,816 in 2024-2025, and \$3,000,200 in 2025-2026, for a total of \$14,155,040.

# Submitted by:

David Sorenson, Board President Scappoose Rural Fire District

No explanatory statement submitted.

NO ARGUMENTS IN OPPOSITION TO THIS MEASURE WERE FILED.

# **Scappoose Rural Fire District**

## Measure 5-285

### ARGUMENT IN FAVOR

# Tualatin Valley Firefighters Union Supports Measure 5-285 So We Can Serve Our Community Better

I am pleased to write on behalf of the men and women who proudly serve as firefighters, emergency medical technicians and paramedics for Scappoose Rural Fire District.

### Thank you!

First, let me pass on an important message from all of

us — thank you. Thank you for your past support and your willingness to consider additional funding so that we can better serve you.

### **Help Us Serve You Better!**

You call, and we come as fast as we can. However, there are times when the Scappoose main station is only staffed with one ambulance. This means an ambulance must come from another community when there are multiple calls. This takes time, a fast and reliable paramedic response and transport to the emergency room is critical to survivability in

the event of a heart attack, stroke, cardiac arrest or significant trauma. When an ambulance must come from another community, critical care is delayed. This levy will provide the residents of Scappoose Fire District with a faster and more reliable response to medical incidents as well as residential and commercial fires, motor vehicle crashes and other emergencies. This will be achieved by hiring three additional positions, allowing the fire district to staff two ambulances or one four person engine 24 hours a day.

Your support for this levy will allow us to better serve you. Please join us in voting YES for Measure 5-285, and help us provide you with faster, more reliable EMS and fire protection services.

Justin Krieck - Tualatin Valley Firefighters Union - IAFF Local 1660 (This information furnished by Justin Krieck, IAFF Local 1660)

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