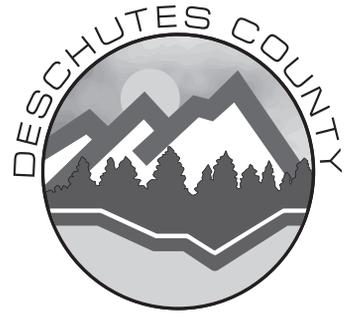


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Oregon Vote-by-Mail Special District Election | **May 18, 2021**

Dear Deschutes County Voter:

This is your May 18, 2021 Special District Election Voters' Pamphlet provided by your Deschutes County Clerk's office. It contains information about candidates and measures from local jurisdictions within the boundaries of Deschutes County.

This pamphlet contains the ballot measures and explanatory statements designed to provide impartial information. It also contains paid arguments for or against certain measures. Candidates may also pay to place a statement in the pamphlet.

Ballots will be mailed by Wednesday, April 28, 2021, to each registered voter. Here are a few things you should know:

- ◆ Voted ballots **MUST** be received at our office or an official drop site location by **8:00 pm, Tuesday, May 18, 2021** to be counted. Remember to sign your ballot envelope.
- ◆ Drop sites open Friday, April 30. Check the Drop Site Location page in the pamphlet for more details.
- ◆ Candidate names on your ballot will appear in random alphabetical order. In accordance with ORS 254.155, random ordering of the letters is conducted prior to an election.
- ◆ Not all the candidates or measures in this Voters' Pamphlet will be on your ballot. Your residence address determines those districts for which you may vote. Your official ballot will contain only those issues on which you are eligible to vote, based on where you live.
- ◆ Not all candidates submit information for the Voters' Pamphlet so you may have candidates on your ballot that are not in the Voters' Pamphlet.
- ◆ This Voters' Pamphlet is online at Deschutes.org/clerk. After 8:00 pm on Election Night, preliminary election results will be posted online at Deschutes.org/electionresults.
- ◆ If a ballot was delivered to your residence for someone who should no longer be receiving a ballot at your address, please write "RETURN" on the envelope and place it back in your mailbox.
- ◆ The signature on each voter's ballot return envelope is verified against the voter's signature on file. The signatures must match before a ballot can be counted. If your signature has changed, please update your voter registration.

Sincerely,

Nancy Blankenship
Deschutes County Clerk

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Voting Information

Registering to Vote

To be eligible to vote in the May 18, 2021 Special District Election, a completed voter registration card must be postmarked by Tuesday, April 27, 2021.

To register to vote in Oregon, you must be:

1. A resident of Oregon.
2. A United States citizen.
3. At least 18 years old by election day.

You must update your registration if:

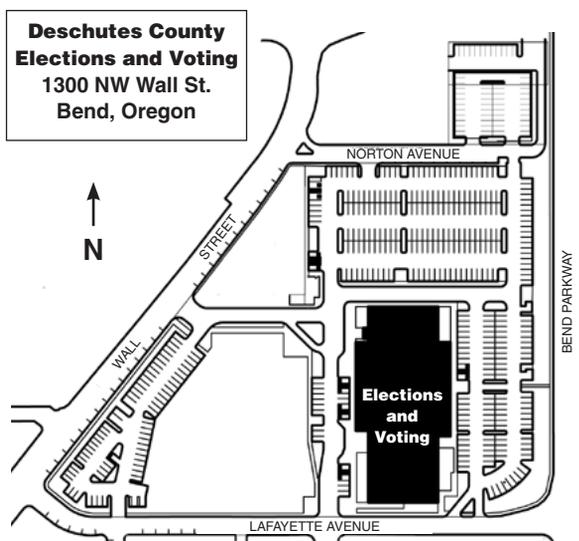
1. Your residence or mailing address changes.
2. Your name changes.
3. You wish to change your party affiliation.

Important Note: If you have moved or your name has changed and you have not yet updated your registration, you are still eligible to vote. Contact the Deschutes County Elections Office, 541-388-6547 for further information.

Voters with disabilities:

If you are unable to vote your ballot without assistance, contact the Deschutes County Elections Office at 541-388-6547. We will provide two persons to assist you in voting. To assure your voted ballot is received by election day, contact the elections office early to arrange for assistance. You may also select someone else of your own choice to assist you.

An audio edition of the Voters' Pamphlet is available. To order, please contact Independent Living Resources at 503-232-7411 or TTY 503-232-8408.



Voting Instructions

Your Ballot Packet should contain at least the following items:

- ✓ Printed ballot
- ✓ Pre-addressed return envelope to be signed
- ✓ Secrecy sleeve

Examine your official ballot and vote it:

Examine your official ballot and locate the candidate or measure response oval of your choice for each contest. To vote you must blacken the oval (●) completely with a pen (black or blue ink) next to your choices. Do not use a felt tip pen.

Review your ballot:

Ensure you correctly marked your choice for each contest. Your official ballot may contain contests printed on both sides of your ballot.

Prepare to return your ballot:

Place your ballot in the return envelope. You may use the optional secrecy sleeve, but it is not required. Election staff will ensure the secrecy of your ballot. Read the voter's statement on the return envelope and sign it on the signature line.

Signing your ballot return envelope:

Your ballot will not be counted if the return envelope is not signed. Every signature is checked against the registration signature on file and the signature must match for the ballot to be counted.

Return your ballot:

By mail: Return your ballot in your signed and sealed return identification envelope. A stamp is not required. Mail no later than Tuesday, May 11, 2021 to arrive at Deschutes County Elections Office no later than 8:00 pm on Election Day. Postmarks do not count.

At an official drop site: Deliver the signed and sealed return identification envelope to an official drop site no later than 8:00 pm on Election Day. Postage is not required.

Remember, review both sides of your ballot. Some ballots may have races/measures on both sides.

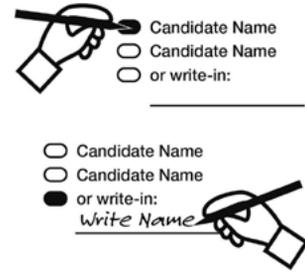
Contact:

Deschutes County Elections
541-388-6547 [Deschutes.org/clerk](https://deschutes.org/clerk)
1-866-ORE-VOTES (se habla Español)
www.oregonvotes.gov
TTY 1-800-735-2900

How to cast your vote...

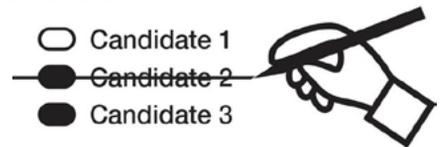
1 Complete your ballot

- To vote, completely fill in the oval next to your choice with a pen (black or blue ink). Do not use a felt tip pen.
- To vote for a person not on the ballot, fill in the oval next to the “write-in” line, then neatly write the name of the person on the line provided. Don’t write a candidate’s name that already appears on the ballot.
- You do not have to vote on all contests. Those you do vote on will still count.



2 Check for errors

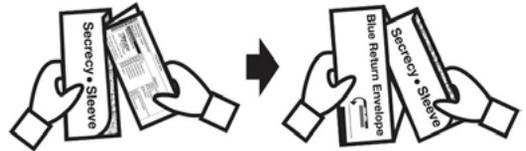
- If you vote for more options than are allowed, your vote **will not count** for that contest.
- If you make a mistake on your ballot, you may make your changes on the ballot. Draw a line through the entire candidate name or measure response. You then have the option of making another choice.
- Contact Deschutes County Elections Office at 541-388-6547 to request a replacement ballot if:
 - you make a mistake
 - your ballot is damaged or spoiled
 - your ballot is lost



3 Using the optional “Secrecy” sleeve

If you use the optional “secrecy” sleeve, insert only your voted ballot (not another person’s ballot) inside. Then, insert only your secrecy sleeve inside your ballot return envelope.

(If we receive an envelope with more than one ballot inside, all enclosed ballots are rejected and not counted)



4 Sign your ballot return envelope

You must sign your ballot return envelope or **your vote will not count**.

The signature on each voter’s ballot return envelope is verified against the voter’s signature on file. The signatures must match before a ballot can be counted. If your signature has changed, please update your voter registration.



5 Return your ballot

- Mail no later than Tuesday, May 11th. A stamp is not required.
- Beginning Wednesday, May 12th, ballots should not be mailed but will need to be taken to an official ballot drop site.
- At any Official Drop Box Location.
- At the County Elections Office, 1300 NW Wall Street, Ste 202, Bend.



Deschutes County May 18, 2021 Special District Election

Official Ballot Drop Site Locations

Please Note: The COVID-19 pandemic may affect the availability of the drop boxes in the locations below.

All Drop Sites **Open**
Friday, April 30, 2021

All Drop Sites **Close** on
Election Day, Tuesday
May 18, 2021 at **8 PM**

La Pine

La Pine Public Library
16425 1st St, La Pine
(1st St & Huntington Rd)

Redmond

Redmond Public Library
827 SW Deschutes Ave, Redmond
(Located on west side of Library)

Find a Drop Site near you:

Bend

-- Change of Location--

Deschutes Services Center
1300 NW Wall St, Bend

(Drive By, Exterior Drop Box located on west side of building – map on next page)

Deschutes County Road Department
61150 SE 27th St, Bend

Old Mill

459 SW Bluff Dr, Bend

(Box located on the knoll above Old Mill District in parking lot south of Hilton Garden Inn hotel)

Bradbury Park & Ride

1000 SW Bradbury Way, Bend

(Box located across from the Park & Rec Pavilion off of Simpson & Columbia)

-- New Location --

Pine Nursery Park

3750 NE Purcell Blvd, Bend

Open usual park business hours

(East end of parking lot – map on next page)

Sisters

Sisters City Hall

520 E Cascade Ave, Sisters

(Located in front of City Hall)

Sunriver

Sunriver Public Library

56855 Venture Ln, Sunriver

(Sunriver Business Park)

Postmarks Do Not Count!

All ballots must be received at an official drop site or the Deschutes County Clerk's Office no later than 8 pm, Election Day.

If you have not mailed your ballot by Tuesday, May 11, take your ballot to an official ballot drop site.

County Clerk's Office, 1300 NW Wall St, Upper Floor, Bend ~ Privacy Booths Provided
Monday through Friday, 8 am to 5 pm ~ Election Day, 7 am to 8 pm

Directions to Bend's Newest Ballot Drop Sites

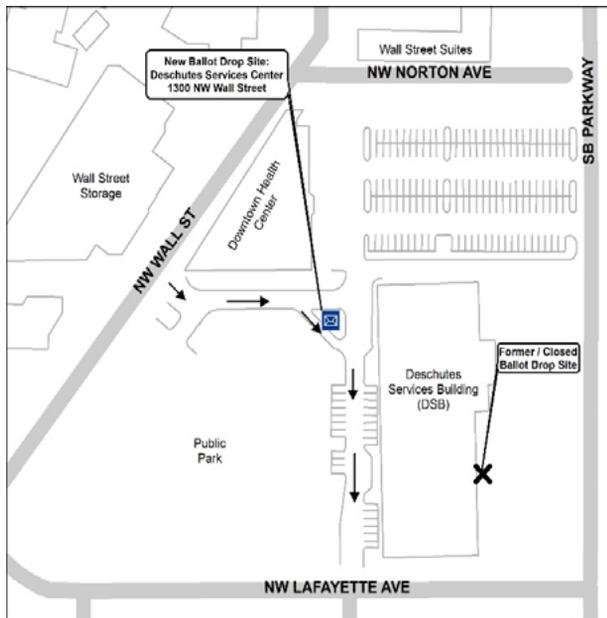
Watch for signs and banners to direct you to these drop sites.

Deschutes Services Center

1300 NW Wall St, Bend

Drive-by box is now located on the west side of Deschutes Services Building (DSB).

Former box is now closed.

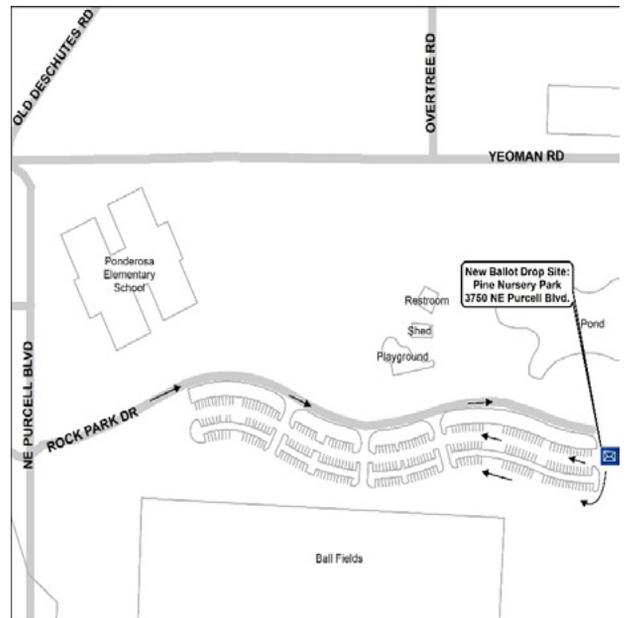


Pine Nursery Park

3750 NE Purcell Blvd, Bend

Drive-by box is located at the east end of parking lot.

Open usual park business hours.



.... Reminders

Your Ballot Packet

Your ballot packet contains the following items:

- ~ Printed ballot
- ~ Pre-addressed return identification envelope to be signed
- ~ Secrecy sleeve

Returning Your Ballot

No stamp required.

Mail no later than Tuesday, May 11.

Beginning Wednesday, May 12, ballots will need to be taken to an official ballot drop site.

Signing Your Ballot Return Envelope

Remember to sign your ballot return identification envelope.

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Measure 9-141 Sisters School District No 6

Ballot Title

9-141

School District Bonds to Construct, Renovate, and Improve Facilities

QUESTION: Shall Sisters School District issue \$33,800,000 in bonds to construct, renovate and improve facilities, address deferred maintenance? If the bonds are approved, they will be payable from taxes on property or property ownership that are not subject to the limits of sections 11 and 11b, Article XI of the Oregon Constitution.

SUMMARY: Bonds are expected to finance capital costs, including:

- Providing new K-5 Elementary School
- Addressing District-Wide deferred maintenance needs
- Providing CTE/STEM Facility
- Improvements to, relocation of and provision of new technology infrastructure
- Improvements to, repurposing and provision of new fields & playgrounds
- Relocation of District Office
- Development of Wildhaven property to provide facilities to support outdoor and environmental education
- Site improvements, furnishing and equipment, demolition, and bond issuance costs.

The District would establish a citizen oversight committee to ensure proceeds are used for purposes indicated.

Bonds would mature in not to exceed 20 years from issuance and may be issued in series. Due to declining debt service, measure is not expected to increase the District's bond tax rate above the current bond levy rate of \$1.33 per \$1,000 of assessed value. Actual levy rate may differ due to changes in interest rates and assessed value.

The current Elementary School would be expected to continue to serve students for the next two years to allow time for the School District to conduct community engagement and due diligence to determine the best course of action once students vacate the building.

Other projects identified in the ballot title, which include some projects described in the Long Range Facilities Plan, are considered a secondary priority to the Elementary School. The District would monitor fluctuations in construction and material costs for the new Elementary School building and only execute those secondary projects prioritized to maximize educational outcomes and long-term maintenance of current facility assets.

(This information furnished by Sherry Joseph, Sisters School District 6.)

Explanatory Statement

The driving and primary purpose of this bond at this time is a new Elementary School.

The Elementary School is currently operating at 106% of optimal capacity and the School District projects the 2021-2022 school year will be at 111% of optimal capacity. Two modular units are already deployed to address the extra demands. The City of Sisters predicts a 27-30% growth rate over the next 10 years and this is expected to exacerbate this situation.

The School District currently has an opportunity to issue additional bonds without an increase in the estimated bond tax rate. This new 2021 School Bond would commence as the existing 2001 School Bond retires so as to keep the estimated bond tax rate unchanged.

The new 'Shared Campus' location for the Elementary School (next to the current Middle School) would allow for increased safety, transportation, operational and educational benefits for all of the students in the district. 5th grade would return to the Elementary School location which is better aligned with educational best practices and also provides additional capacity in the Middle School.

Measure 9-141 Arguments

Argument in Favor

As an educator and coach for 45 years, and a member of the Sisters community since 1992, I am writing in favor of ballot measure 9-141.

The community of Sisters changed for the better in 1992 when the new high school opened. There had not been a high school in Sisters since 1967. It was time to have a high school in Sisters again, and the community stepped up thirty years ago to make that happen.

It was only a few years later that our citizens stepped up again when they saw that our schools were overcrowded, and that we needed to convert the new high school into a middle school, as well as build a new high school with an auditorium for the community. As our neighborhoods continued to grow, volunteers also helped add six classrooms to the elementary school to deal with student growth.

We are once again at a point where, for the benefit of our children and our Sisters families, we need to support building a new elementary school. We can continue to re-purpose the aging, overcrowded elementary school and administration building for additional community needs.

As a community, we have choices about how we want to grow, evolve and prosper. We also have choices about how we treat our children and grandchildren, in the way we educate them, and in the facilities in which we house them. Moving all three schools to one campus should help with some safety and overcrowding issues at the current elementary school. This expansion will better prepare us to educate our youth in the coming decades and facilitate their success.

Knowing that passing this bond will not raise our taxes on our homes, while at the same time addressing our facility needs for our children, makes it easy for me to support bond measure 9-141. Please join me in supporting the passage of this measure.

(This information furnished by Dr. Dennis Dempsey.)

Argument in Favor

As a Sisters native and parent of a future elementary school student, I am writing in support of ballot measure 9-141.

I was born and raised in Sisters, and attended elementary, middle and high school here. It was this school district that made it possible for someone like me, a girl from a low-income family with limited means, to go from our small town to an Ivy League college and eventually become a doctor. It was the high caliber of our educational environment and faculty support that made this possible for me.

Decades later, now with my own daughter, I have chosen to return to Sisters to raise my child. Knowing that she will one day attend Sisters School District was a key part of that decision.

When I learned about the overcrowding in Sisters Elementary, I was deeply concerned. It was shocking to hear that the school which is intended to be K-5 is operating as K-4 because there is no room left for the fifth graders. This means that 10-year-olds--still just *kids*--are being shunted to school with teenagers. The developmental gaps are drastic at that age, and there are current classroom strains even with this arrangement. Knowing we are facing larger growth projections in the coming years, compounding our overcrowding, is alarming. These kids deserve better.

The fact that this measure doesn't increase taxes should make this an easy decision. This isn't about asking for bonus facilities or wish-list items. This is about providing basic services and age-appropriate educational environments to the children of our community.

Our school district has a legacy of building strong foundations for our students so they may become healthy, happy and contributing members of society. We can take great pride in our high quality school system, and we must act as good stewards of this integral part of our community.

Please join me in voting YES for this measure.

(This information furnished by Laura Leis.)

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Measure 9-141 Arguments

Argument in Favor

When my husband and I were moving our young family to Central Oregon nearly 11 years ago, the strong schools were the reason we settled on Sisters and they are the reason we've stayed. I will be voting YES on Measure 9-141 to ensure that the schools in Sisters continue to be the strength of this community.

As a parent of both a middle school student and two elementary school students, I've seen first hand the incredible educational foundation this district gives its students. My children have been the beneficiaries of caring teachers who are invested in their learning, who continually research, incorporate and perfect best teaching practices in their classrooms, and who strive to give the attention needed to each of their individual students. I've been proud to see SSD continue to put smaller class sizes, especially at the lower grade levels, at the top of their priority list in order to achieve this.

As I watch Sisters grow, the reality is that in order to keep the priorities that make this district great feasible, our actual schools must grow as well. A new elementary school will provide the staff and students at the elementary school, as well as the middle school, with the tools and space they need in order to continue to provide an incredible education in Sisters. I believe it will create a more unified, convenient campus model in which all students and families can thrive.

We have the opportunity to build a new elementary school without raising taxes in a district with one of the lowest tax rates in the region. Join me in voting YES for Measure 9-141 to continue to give the district the funds they need to elevate education in Sisters. I support the schools being a reason for families to come, and the reason that they stay.

(This information furnished by Haley Ellis.)

Argument in Favor

As a graduate of Sisters High School, I strongly encourage you to vote for the school bond.

I am continually inspired by the dedication the district, the teachers, and the community members place on making sure EVERY student is supported in their personal and professional development. Through all the varied programs and excellence, the district maintains that our creativity and personal discovery are in fact integral and not extra-curricular to our life success and happiness. Being involved in the Sisters School District is multi-faceted and there are many ways for students to find a place that allows them to express themselves. I believe this is one element of building vibrant communities, such as ours.

Reflecting on my journey and drive to serve the Central Oregon community, the School District was instrumental in fostering a strong sense of connection. On my 32nd anniversary of being a Sisters resident I find myself involved in many dimensions of the community - including founding a nonprofit, coaching high school sports, serving on the Citizens4Community Community Builders Committee, and also being part of the City of Sisters Comprehensive Planning Committee, on which I am excited to serve.

The fact that the soccer field or I.E.E. was just as important as my English essay helped me strike a balance I would never know without the complement of both. For each individual, this balance comes in different forms - art, cooking, aviation, gardening, woodshop, music, etc.... Every student deserves to find a place and the district has always supported this. For this I am extremely grateful, this has been a beautiful thing to experience as a community, with all the unique interests we express and the intersections where we connect.

(This information furnished by Audrey Tehan.)

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Measure 9-142 Cloverdale Rural Fire Protection District

Ballot Title

9-142

Local Option Levy to Improve Fire and Emergency Medical Services.

QUESTION: Shall District improve fire and emergency medical response by levying \$1.35 per \$1,000 of AV for five years, beginning 2021-2022?

This measure may cause property taxes to increase more than three percent.

SUMMARY: Cloverdale Rural Fire Protection District provides emergency medical and fire response. Operations are funded through property taxes. The five-year levy would hire 3 firefighter-paramedics and, through cost-sharing with Sisters-Camp Sherman Fire District, station an ambulance in the District. These changes would allow the District to:

- * Staff the main Cloverdale station with at least two firefighter-medics at all times to support quicker first-on-scene emergency response. (Staffed station response is usually 8-12 minutes faster than response times when firefighter-EMTs are called out from their homes or work.)

- * Provide paramedic-level response to medical emergencies. Paramedics with Advanced Life Support training can provide advanced medical care on scene that was once only available in hospital emergency-rooms.

- * Locate an Advanced Life Support ambulance within the District to provide faster patient stabilization and preparation for hospital transport.

The five-year levy would fund services at a fixed rate of \$1.35 per \$1,000 of assessed property value. For every \$100,000 of tax assessed value, not real market value, the cost would be \$135 a year or about \$11 a month.

firefighter-medics for quicker response. When the station is not staffed, Firefighter-EMTs must drive to the station for equipment and apparatus before responding, adding an 8-12 minute delay to the time to leave the station. The District has tried to reduce delays by providing dormitory rooms for resident volunteers. While this has helped, delays remain common. If the levy is approved, volunteers would be supported by the additional paid responders, making combined volunteer/paid response available 24/7.

- **Ensure at least one of two firefighter-medics on duty is paramedic-certified.** Paramedics with Advanced Life Support (ALS) training can provide medical interventions on-scene once only available in emergency rooms. Funds would ensure availability of these skills 24/7.
- **Station an Advanced Life Support ambulance within the District.** This would reduce the time required to get a patient to a higher-level of care and could improve survival from life-threatening emergencies. Currently, no ambulance is stationed in the District.
- **Changes may improve fire insurance quotes.** Adding in-station 24-hour staffing is expected to improve the District's ISO (Insurance Services Office) rating. An improved rating means property is better protected and residents may be eligible for reduced insurance premiums.

Described improvements would be gained by increasing Cloverdale's paid firefighter-medics from two to five and by reducing administrative overhead through a cost-sharing agreement with Sisters-Camp Sherman Fire. The expected result is more efficient coordination of response coverage, better cross training, and greater depth and flexibility for emergency response in both districts. (Without this collaboration, more Cloverdale firefighters would have to be hired to ensure 24/7 two-person response from the main station.)

What is the cost to property taxpayers?

The levy would have a rate of \$1.35 per thousand of tax assessed property value, not real market value, for five years. For every \$100,000 of assessed value the cost would be \$135 or about \$11 a month.

What happens if the levy is not approved?

While the District's volunteers and staff will continue to respond, response times are not likely to improve without levy funding.

Need more information?

Visit the District's website: cloverdalefire.com.

(This information furnished by Thad Olsen, Cloverdale Rural Fire Protection District.)

Explanatory Statement

What services does Cloverdale Fire provide?

Cloverdale Fire District covers approximately 50 square miles of rural and residential property in the wildland interface east of Sisters. The District has approximately 3,500 full-time residents. Cloverdale Fire serves as first responder for fire and medical emergencies with ambulance transport provided by Sisters-Camp Sherman Fire.

Cloverdale Fire relies primarily on volunteer responders (along with a paid chief and a training officer). Emergency calls in the District more than doubled from 2009 (158 calls) to 2019 (363). Over half the calls in the District are medical emergencies.

How is the District funded?

From a property tax base and, currently, a bond for capital expenditures (mainly apparatus and stations). If approved, the five-year levy would supplement the tax base.

How would levy funds be used?

To add three firefighter-paramedics and make possible a cost-sharing agreement with Sisters-Camp Sherman Fire to gain the following improvements:

- **Staff the main Cloverdale station 24/7 with at least two**

Measure 9-142 Arguments

Argument in Favor

Two years ago three Cloverdale Fire volunteers attended a Board of Directors meeting and expressed a concern about sustainability of volunteers. They were worried that many of our volunteers were ageing out, younger volunteers were not staying in the District, and the training requirements and time commitments were more than a new volunteer was willing to commit. Their basic question to the Board was "What were we doing to avert the situation?"

The Board began a deep dive into possible solutions to reconcile the situation. This took the form of researching other departments that had been or were currently in the same situation. We also talked with our neighboring Central Oregon departments to gain ideas. As it turns out, many departments had already resolved the situation we were facing by utilizing Intergovernmental Agreements allowed by ORS 190 whereby utilization of other agencies resources can be shared. Numerous departments were able to combine resources and resolve their staffing issues while maintaining or improving service delivery.

From our research we presented 3 potential avenues with approximate costs. The goal was to be able to provide our Fire District with 24 hour staffing. Cost versus benefit analysis proved that the Intergovernmental Agreement with Sisters/Camp Sherman was far superior to a merger or simply hiring personnel.

The value of having enough people at a motor vehicle crash or a fire or a bad medical call can make a difference in the outcome. This operation does not work without the volunteer force providing staffing at all levels.

This levy is forward looking, and crafted to maintain an essential level of fire and medical services. In balancing all the needs of our community, safety in our neighborhoods has to be one of the highest priorities. We are asking for your support of this history making decision.

Cloverdale Rural Fire Protection District Board of Directors
Submitted by John Thomas.

(This information furnished by John Thomas, Cloverdale Rural Fire Protection District Board of Directors.)

Argument in Favor

The core of Cloverdale Rural Fire Protection District's emergency response is its dedicated volunteers, a paid Fire Chief, and in later years a paid Training Officer. They are paid for M-F 8-5, but by necessity they work far more.

In 2009 Cloverdale Fire responded to 158 calls. Ten years later that number more than doubled to 363, representing an ever-increasing time commitment by the volunteers and paid staff. When the stations are not staffed, volunteers, if available, must drive from home or work at any hour to get equipment and apparatus before responding, adding as much as 8-12 minutes to response times.

In response to the District's increase in calls, lengthy response times, and difficulty recruiting volunteers, the District's Board of Directors voted unanimously for a five-year levy on the May ballot to enhance emergency services.

This levy enables:

- **Hiring 3 Firefighter/Paramedics**
- **Sisters providing an Advanced Life Support Ambulance at the Cloverdale Rd Fire Station**

This levy will ensure there are at least 2 paid paramedic fire firefighters and ambulance on duty 24/7, 365 days a year.

This ensures quicker response times and provides certified paramedics with Advanced Life Support training to medical emergencies on-scene.

This levy would add enhanced emergency response for us all.

Cloverdale Fire District's current tax rate compared to other similar Fire Districts

Fire District	Combined Tax Rate per \$1,000
Crooked River Ranch Fire	\$3.21
Black Butte Ranch Fire	\$3.03
Sisters-Camp Sherman Fire	\$2.92
**Cloverdale Fire with Levy	\$2.85
La Pine Fire	\$2.41
**Cloverdale Fire currently	\$1.50

Adding in-station 24-hour staffing is expected to improve the District's ISO rating. An improved rating means property is better protected and residents may be eligible for reduced fire insurance premiums.

We strongly support bringing 24/7 fully staffed & enhanced fire and medical services to the District.

Please Vote Yes on Measure 9-142

Friends of the Cloverdale Sisters Fire Districts

(This information furnished by David Hiller, Friends of the Cloverdale Sisters Fire Districts.)

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Measure 9-142 Arguments

Argument in Favor

28 years as a resident in Cloverdale has often shown the need for a fully staffed Fire District. Medical and motor vehicle emergencies represent 75% or more of the calls. Most of which occur when District Stations are unstaffed or staffed only with students.

With Cloverdale Area's continued growth, thankfully the Cloverdale Fire District Board of Directors voted unanimously to place a five-year levy on the ballot to enhance emergency response in the District.

With this levy, along with hiring 3 firefighter paramedics, the Sisters Fire District would provide a fully equipped ALS ambulance with additional Fire/Medics. There will be at least 1 paramedic and an ALS ambulance 24/7 at Cloverdale Road Station.

Volunteers live all over the District and their availability and response times vary greatly. Most are still employed outside the District and may not be available to respond. COCC students studying Fire and EMS Sciences sleep at the station. They respond to emergencies when available, but are early in their training and not yet fully qualified to perform many necessary fire and medical duties. When they graduate, they look for employment in a paid district elsewhere.

There are currently no paid paramedics in the Cloverdale Fire District. If the Sisters-Camp Sherman Fire District ambulances are on a call in their District, the only Advanced Life Support available to Cloverdale residents is from either an air ambulance, Bend or Redmond Fire Districts. This can be tragic.

With the increasing number of emergencies over the years and the increasing age of many residents, me included, I am very glad the Cloverdale Fire District Board of Directors has taken this action.

Please support Measure 9-142 to provide the enhanced Fire and Emergency Medical Services in the Cloverdale Area.

David Hiller, former volunteer Firefighter, Engineer, Lieutenant & Captain with Cloverdale Rural Fire Protection District

(This information furnished by David L. Hiller.)

Argument in Favor

To our fellow citizens of Sisters Country,

In a unanimous vote, our Board voted to approve their support of the Cloverdale Rural Fire Protection District's 5 year Local Option levy to enhance much needed emergency services.

In the long standing partnership of respect and cooperation between our two districts, time and again we have come to each other's call for assistance. This levy will deepen this relationship and level of service to all of you.

Benefits if the local option levy is approved include:

Staffing of the main Cloverdale station on Hwy. 20 and Cloverdale Road 24/7/365 with at least two firefighter-medics for quicker response. The Cloverdale Fire District currently has funding for only two paid responders who are on duty weekdays 8am-5pm when volunteers are least likely to be available. When the station is not staffed, Firefighter-EMTs must drive to the station for before responding, adding an 8-12 minute delay to the time they leave the station. Due to the nature of emergencies, faster response saves lives and property.

Ensuring at least one of two firefighter-medics on duty 24/7 is paramedic-certified. Paramedics with Advanced Life Support (ALS) training can provide medical interventions on-scene, once only available in emergency rooms.

Stationing an Advanced Life Support ambulance within the Cloverdale District. This would reduce the time required to get a patient to a higher-level of care and could improve survival from life-threatening emergencies. Currently, no ambulance is stationed in the Cloverdale District. The ambulance would be provided through a cost-sharing agreement with Sisters-Camp Sherman Fire District.

Please join us in voting yes on Measure 9-142

Directors of Sisters-Camp Sherman Rural Fire Protection District
Chuck Newport, Board President

(This information furnished by Chuck Newport, Sisters Camp Sherman Rural Fire Protection District.)

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Measure 9-142 Arguments

Argument in Favor

I have been in fire and Emergency Medical Services (EMS) for 24 years and **I am voting YES on 9-142 to support the Cloverdale Fire District**. I have served with many organizations in multiple communities. I have lived in Cloverdale for 10 years, been a volunteer with Cloverdale Fire District for 9 of those years, and currently serve as a Lieutenant/Paramedic and the EMS Coordinator. I volunteer because I believe it is important to serve my community and I see this levy as a significant benefit. What does Cloverdale gain with a **YES VOTE**?

-An Advanced Life Support ambulance staffed 24/7

-A qualified fire engine company staffed 24/7

-Improved training for volunteers with a training officer dedicated solely to training

-Greater efficiency in administrative support

-Consistent supervision of live-in students

-Increased support for volunteer responders

I am also deeply grateful for the level of support this community has shown to the volunteer firefighters who serve Cloverdale.

Even in the midst of the COVID-19 pandemic, this community responded with record high donations. The community has supported bringing the facilities, apparatus, and equipment to a modern level which brings benefits for decades to come. A **YES VOTE** will provide stable staffing in Cloverdale for improved response and better support of the volunteers who will remain an integral part of emergency response. Yes, this is a significant increase from the current rate, but the return on this investment is far greater than the cost. You will likely also experience a significant decrease in your homeowners insurance which will cover a large portion of the increased tax rate.

I am VOTING YES because,

-The current staffing model is not sustainable with area growth.

-Multiple examples of slow response times from volunteer companies which resulted in Sisters engines arriving on structure fires before Cloverdale units.

-Fire and EMS services will certainly be improved.

-The return on investment is great due to cooperation with Sisters-Camp Sherman Fire District.

YES on 9-142

(This information furnished by Damon Frutos.)

Argument in Opposition

We encourage you to vote NO on this irresponsible and ill-conceived measure that will more than double fire taxes while providing only marginal or no benefit to the Cloverdale taxpayers. In addition, it will turn over all operation and management of the Cloverdale district to Sisters Fire.

This levy will:

- More than double the current tax rate in the Cloverdale Fire district from approximately \$1.10 per \$1,000 in assessed valuation to \$2.45 per \$1,000.
- Generate an additional \$572,252 for a total assessment of \$1,034,292 and increase the average cost per call from \$1,320 to \$2,955, including false alarms.
- Increase Cloverdale Fire District staffing from two to five full time personnel even though the average call volume is less than one call per day.
- Provide significant pay raises for Cloverdale's existing staffing (including overtime, the current Fire Chief is budgeted to get a \$20,000 plus increase in pay).
- Turn over full operation and management of the Cloverdale Fire District to the Sisters-Camp Sherman Fire District (Sisters Fire).
- Pay the Sisters Fire District \$77,000 per year in management fees.
- Place a Sisters Fire ambulance in the Cloverdale south station, but Cloverdale is already in the Sisters Fire Ambulance Service Area (ASA) and Sisters is already responsible for providing ambulance service. Over the past three years, Sisters responded to an average of only 112 Cloverdale medical calls per year.
- Split the Cloverdale Training Officer's time between the two districts.
- Create a significant increase in taxes and raise an additional \$2,861,260 over five years, with only a marginal, if any, improvement in service.

This levy will NOT:

- Guarantee better or faster service, especially in the areas of the District north of Hwy 126.
- Have the support from many the Cloverdale Volunteers and could result in a drop in volunteer participation.
- Guarantee a reduction in fire insurance rates, but would guarantee an increase of more than 120% in fire district taxes for Cloverdale residents.

(This information furnished by Todd Williver, Friends of Cloverdale Fire District.)

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Measure 9-142 Arguments

Argument in Opposition

The Cloverdale Rural Fire Protection District is at a crossroads. The district was formed in 1963 to provide fire protection for the community. Since then, the district has grown and has adapted to better serve those constituents. Today, an incredible group of volunteers donate their valuable time to train and respond to the district's fire and medical needs.

Recently, the district asked the community for a multi-million dollar bond to pay for significant upgrades to stations and equipment. Cloverdale now has some of the most modern equipment in Central Oregon and a full compliment of trained volunteers to serve the community.

Currently, the two paid staff, complimented by volunteers and resident students, provide 24/7 coverage for the district. Mutual aid and auto aid agreements with our neighboring districts provide additional resources, as needed, to ensure excellent fire and medical service to the Cloverdale residents.

The Cloverdale District is part of the Sisters Ambulance Service Area (ASA) and, as such, Sisters already provides quality medical transport service to the Cloverdale District. Additionally, many of the Cloverdale volunteers have advanced medical training and can provide immediate care when the need arises.

This levy would create a significant change.

The proposal would turn over all management and control of the Cloverdale Fire District to the Sisters-Camp Sherman Fire District and, for all intents and purposes, eliminate the Cloverdale District, except in name.

The current Chief would be demoted to a shift captain and administration of the district would be contracted to Sisters for \$77,000 per year. The levy would pay for additional personnel to replace volunteers on calls. With only 350 calls per year, the Cloverdale District cannot justify such a huge increase in expenses for such a small district.

The Cloverdale Fire District has a 58 year history of pride and service. As a founding member of the district, I ask that you vote NO on this levy and allow us to keep our district's independence.

(This information furnished by Keith Cyrus.)

Argument in Opposition

We encourage you to vote NO on this overly expensive and unnecessary tax increase.

The Cloverdale RFPD is asking for voters to approve a tremendous tax increase by touting improved medical response time and using scare tactics by claiming it can make the difference between life and death. In reality, it would pad the pockets of a handful of individuals.

The levy would raise resident's current tax rate of approximately \$1.10 per \$1,000 assessed valuation to \$2.45 per \$1,000! More than double the current tax rate! The money would be spent on payroll for three new full-time positions and pay increases for existing staff. The pay increases for the two existing staff would

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be \$11,000 per year plus and additional \$10,000 budgeted for overtime and \$16,000 per year. Not only does this raise their pay by \$1,000 or more per month, but the PERS contributions paid by Cloverdale RFPD among other benefits increases.

The levy would combine Cloverdale RFPD with Sisters Fire Department and would then be required to pay an additional administrative expense of \$77,000 per year. Again, a big cost for no apparent increase in services rendered to us tax payers.

This levy is just a sly way for a few to get pay raises. Cloverdale RFPD's use of Sister's Fire's ambulance is a smoke screen for the true root of the levy. Those shouting the loudest for the levy are the same people who would be seeing a pay raise and/or transfer to a station closer to home. It's not a coincidence.

Let's give dirty politics a big N-O! Keep our fire department local!

(This information furnished by Tara Lea, Friends of Cloverdale Fire District.)

Argument in Opposition

I want to start by expressing my appreciation to all the great volunteers and 2 paid staff at the Cloverdale Fire department for the outstanding work they do for our community.

A few years ago, the district asked for funding for a new fire house, trucks, and equipment. The levy passed, increasing our property taxes. At that time, I questioned the "Need" for the trucks and equipment.

I had the opportunity to work closely with Cloverdale as a student/volunteer for 3 years while at Sisters Fire. We occasionally trained together and often responded, jointly to the same calls. It was not uncommon for Sisters to arrive at the scene at about the same time or only slightly after.

I want to point out, that the Cloverdale Fire District is a part of the Sisters Fire Assigned Service Area (ASA), which means, the "new" ambulance service the levy would supposedly pay for, AL-READY exists. Sisters Fire Department already does a fantastic job of providing this service!

Cloverdale Fire claims approximately 330-350 calls per year. I recall 8 years ago the call volume was around 300 per year. Many of those are Illegal Open burns (IOB), which is often simply someone who didn't realize burn season had closed.

Sometimes, Sisters Fire Department gets multiple calls and runs out of ambulances. They currently have 3 ambulances and often when the second ambulance gets dispatched, they request an ambulance from Black Butte Ranch. This levy will not increase the number of ambulances. It will simply move one from Sisters (reducing availability in Sisters) to Cloverdale.

I oppose this levy because I do not believe our fire district can justify a fulltime ambulance and additional paramedics residing at the station on the south end of Cloverdale road.

I see this levy as an unnecessary tax increase that we simply cannot afford! Please join me in voting NO on this overly expensive and unnecessary tax increase.

(This information furnished by Nyle Head.)

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Measure 9-143 La Pine Park & Recreation District

Ballot Title

9-143

Five-year local option levy for improving recreation and facilities

QUESTION: Shall LPRD improve programs and facilities by levying 27 cents per \$1000 of assessed value, beginning in 2021-2022? This measure may cause property taxes to increase more than three percent.

SUMMARY: Voters approved formation of La Pine Park & Recreation District to provide the community with park, recreation, and cultural enrichment experiences. The District's tax base, approved in 2009, is 30 cents per \$1,000 assessed value. The proposed levy of 27 cents would supplement the tax base for a period of 5 years, commencing in November, 2021.

Levy funds would:

- Support and expand current youth programs for children from kindergarten to high school with adequate supplies, materials and personnel.
- Expand health, wellness, fitness, and active outdoor programs for adults.
- Address deferred maintenance of District owned properties, allowing them to stay available to the community.
- Fund necessary upgrades in technology/media, and service.

A home with an assessed value (not market value) of \$200,000 would pay \$54.00 per year (or \$4.50 per month).

Estimated revenue for each year from the local option levy:

\$ 284,850 in 2021-2022
\$ 293,395 in 2022-2023
\$ 302,197 in 2023-2024
\$ 311,263 in 2024-2025
\$ 320,601 in 2025-2026

Explanatory Statement

The Board of Directors of the La Pine Park & Recreation District (LPRD) is seeking approval of a 5-year local option levy in the amount of 27 cents per \$1000 of assessed value starting in the tax year 2021-22.

What services does the District provide?

The District provides after-school, youth and adult programs to the greater La Pine Community. It also operates and maintains the La Pine Community Center, Heritage Park, the Finley Butte Ball Fields and community meeting room, Rosland Campground and Day Use river area, and Leona Park with river access.

Who does the District serve?

LPRD serves the residents of the greater La Pine area and is approximately 85 square miles, which includes the City of La Pine and the unincorporated portions of Deschutes County, generally from Fall River south to the Klamath County Line and generally east and west to the National Forest Boundaries.

How is the District funded?

LPRD is funded through a combination of property taxes, user fees and grants. In the 2017-18 fiscal year, 48% of the District's

budget was funded by property taxes, 15% by user fees, and 37% by donations and grants. Donations and grants are not guaranteed income and vary greatly from year to year.

The District's property tax base rate is 30 cents per \$1000 of assessed value (*not market value*). This rate has not changed since 2009. If approved, the 27 cent 5-year local option levy would supplement this tax base.

How would levy funds be used?

If approved, the levy funds would help:

- Support and expand current youth programs for children from kindergarten to high school with adequate supplies, materials, personnel and hours to meet community demand
- Address deferred maintenance of District owned properties, allowing them to stay available to the community
- Expand health, wellness, fitness and active outdoor programs for adults to meet increasing demand
- Fund essential upgrades to expand administration in technology/media and service
- Support a variety of capital improvements for the District such as ball park bleachers, safe dugouts, landscaping, upgrading restrooms, and compliance with ADA mandated requirements
- Ensure LPRD continues to attract and retain experienced staff who work to educate, mentor, and build relationships with children involved in the District's youth programs
- Provide security systems for the District

What is the cost to property taxpayers?

If approved, the average property owner, with the an assessed value (not market value) of about \$105,000 would pay approximately \$28.25 per year or \$2.35 per month added to the current tax base, for a period of 5 years.

What if the levy is not approved?

If the levy fails, programs fees would increase and some programs would be eliminated. The backlog of deferred maintenance and repair of District facilities would not be addressed.

Need more information?

Visit LPRD's website at <http://lapineparks.org/public-meetings> and read the "Comprehensive Plan Update" approved December 6, 2017 and the "Short Term, 5 and 10 Years Goals 2020 Update" adopted January 21, 2021 by the District's Board of Directors.

(This information furnished by Deren Ash, La Pine Park and Recreation District.)

Administrative School District No 1 Director, Zone 1



Carrie McPherson Douglass

Occupation: Co-CEO, School Board Partners; Co-Owner, The Haven and Cascade Relays; Current Board service: TEDx-Bend, OregonRAIN, Cascade Relays Foundation

Occupational Background:

Teacher, school leader, district leader, education funder, national nonprofit leader, entrepreneur

Educational Background: Boston University, Master of Business Administration (MBA); University of Portland, Bachelor of Arts in Education

Prior Governmental Experience: Bend-La Pine School Board (2017-2021): Vice Chair 2018-19, Co-Chair 2019-20, Chair 2020-21

EXPERIENCE MATTERS

As the current Chair of the Bend-La Pine School Board, I have had the privilege and challenge of leading our district through a global pandemic, school closures, political and racial unrest and a Superintendent search. This job is always challenging, but in today's politicized environment it is even harder. I am proud to have led Bend-La Pine to become the first large district in Oregon to reopen schools, and I will continue advocating to fully reopen schools while keeping our community safe and thriving.

In this role, knowledge, experience and community connections matter and **I am uniquely qualified to serve on the board:**

- **Community:** Born and raised in Central Oregon; alumna of Bend-La Pine schools; serve on multiple nonprofit boards; mother to two children
- **Business and Finance:** Own two small businesses in Bend and hold a MBA
- **Education:** Former teacher, school leader, district administrator and funder; current national education nonprofit leader
- **School Board:** If re-elected, will be the longest serving board member (4 years)
- **Excellence and Equity:** I bring 20 years of experience working nationally to help children from all backgrounds succeed in school and life, including work with some of the most innovative and high-quality schools in the country

I will continue to lead with integrity and strong relationships and work with all constituents and stakeholders on behalf of our students, families and community. I am a proven leader, and in this time of crisis steady, visionary leadership matters. **Re-elect Carrie Douglass to School Board.**

More details and full list of endorsements at:
www.CarrieForSchools.com

(This information furnished by Carrie Douglass.)

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Administrative School District No 1 Director, Zone 1



Maria Lopez- Dauenhauer

Occupation: Mother of two children enrolled in the Bend LaPine School District - Married 24 years to businessman and Marine Corps veteran.

Occupational Background: Account management and sales

professional for various technology companies, including Cisco Systems

Educational Background: Evergreen Valley Community College, San Jose, CA; Graduate of Mount Pleasant High School, San Jose, CA

Prior Governmental Experience: None.

As an active mother of two teenagers, I am proud to present my candidacy for the Bend-La Pine School Board as I am both passionate and concerned about the future of education, and confident that I can be a voice for all parents who share the same feelings of commitment. For over a year, too many children have been denied their basic right to a proper education which has resulted in some very dire consequences. Furthermore, as I have spoken to families in my community, many parents have shared concerns about their children being depressed and frustrated by their lack of learning, lack of sports and school activities, lack of social interactions with their peers, and the uncertainty of their future. Sadly, some have shared that their children have had thoughts of suicide due to long-term school closures, which is deeply tragic and fundamentally unacceptable. Parents have had enough-and they are desperate for a voice. I will represent all families and advocate for children across all communities. And as a proud Mexican-American, I believe that my perspective will add value to the diversity of viewpoints.

I believe we're all united in doing what's best for kids. It's time to open schools and get back to classroom instruction, giving our children the opportunities for better learning and the necessary tools to be competitive like others students around the nation already have. I humbly ask for your vote and will work hard to earn your respect and trust.

(This information furnished by Maria Dauenhauer.)

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Administrative School District No 1 Director, Zone 2



**Wendy
Imel**

Occupation: Adjunct Faculty, Business Ethics, Portland State University; Practice Manager, Bend Hernia Center

Occupational Background: Over 15 years experience including, Adjunct Professor,

Florida International University; Assessment Services Program Specialist/GED Chief Examiner, Clackamas Community College

Educational Background: MBA from Marylhurst University; BBSA Business Administration & Marketing, Suffolk University

Prior Governmental Experience: None.

Having spent the majority of my professional life as a college professor, I value the importance of education and understand the absolute need for consistent access to educational opportunities for our youth. I've also spent time as a manager in the medical field, witnessing the hardships facing families every day. Through the pandemic, I have seen firsthand the many destructive consequences and I believe our schools are on the frontlines. Because of this, I am seeking a position on the school board.

My extensive academic experience and commitment to education make me a very qualified candidate. However, what makes me the right candidate is my role as a mother of two in BLSD, giving me the insights and needed perspective related to the challenges ahead. I am not a politician, and prefer to keep politics out of our schools. Thanks to the encouragement of many parents seeking someone to speak for them, I want to make a difference by applying my knowledge and passion about education—and believe the time is right for a school board that reflects the values of our community.

My unique perspective as both an educator and medical manager, combined with the lessons of motherhood, allows me to appreciate diverse viewpoints and the hurdles facing our school district today. As we move forward, I believe there are sensible solutions to support both students and teachers. With a focus on supporting our resilient children and respect for the amazing humans teaching them, I am committed to working towards better schools for all. With purposeful intention, I wish to serve on the board to represent all parents and all of our children.

(This information furnished by Wendy Imel.)

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Administrative School District No 1 Director, Zone 2



**Marcus
LeGrand**

Occupation: College and Career Success Coach and Instructor, Central Oregon Community College; Consultant, Allyship in Action; Board Member, The Father's Group.

Occupational Background: School Counselor; Academic and Career Coach; College Instructor; Intervention Specialist; Navy Veteran.

Educational Background: Rowan University, Masters in Counseling; University of Washington Foster School of Business, B.A.

Prior Governmental Experience: Bend-La Pine School District Budget and Sustainability Committees; Restorative Justice & Equity Member; Regional Equity and Recovery Council; Central Oregon Health Council Workgroup.

I work in the education field every day and have a passion for uplifting students - to thrive in a supportive, safe, and inclusive school environment. I have dedicated my **11-year career** in education to counseling and coaching college students.

Having two school age children, it's important they are able to engage in a welcoming environment. My background working for justice and equity in our community will bring a strong, competent new perspective to our board, to **advocate for change**.

I will work with parents, students, educators, and community to provide a compassionate and equitable education for all. I would be proud to continue my work with school administrators, industry leaders, and community organizations to provide students with a fulfilling educational experience while **building student agency and resilience**.

My priorities:

1. **Creating more welcoming and equitable classrooms** by supporting teachers, holding leaders accountable, evaluating policy, and prioritizing staff developmental opportunities.
2. **Promoting academic success for all students** through proven educational programming and support based on the student strengths, individuality, and need.
3. **Supporting students resilience and ability to overcome** barriers by helping students and instructors understand the importance of self-awareness and self-care when facing difficult issues.

I will engage our community - together we can support our students, families and schools.

Endorsements include:

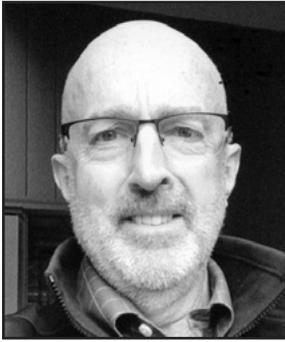
Oregon Education Association
Rita Schenkelberg, Bend City Councilor
Anthony Broadman, Bend City Councilor
Melissa Barnes Dholakia, Bend-La Pine School Board Member
Julie Craig, Bend-La Pine School Board Member
Erica Skatvold, Chair, COCC Board

[MarcusForSchools.com](https://www.marcusforschools.com)

(This information furnished by Marcus LeGrand.)

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Administrative School District No 1 Director, Zone 4



**Gregg
Henton**

Occupation: Retired.

Occupational Background: General Motors Corporation - 27 yrs; Digital MotorWorks - 4 yrs

Educational Background: Escola Graduada de São Paulo

- HS Diploma; Westminster College - BA; Northwood University DeVos Graduate School of Management - MBA

Prior Governmental Experience: None.

The parents of school-aged children are at an impasse in Deschutes County and around the nation. With schools closed for almost a year due COVID-19, our children have lost critical education and development—both socially and academically—that will be very difficult to make up. Parents have also struggled significantly, losing employment, progression in their careers and much-needed income in the midst of the pandemic—a tragic course that cannot continue.

It is my decision to run for the Bend-La Pine School Board to make a meaningful difference and bring our children away from the brink. I love to teach to share my knowledge and expertise. For the last five years, I have been an instructor at the Small Business Development Center at COCC. I'm inspired to help others reach their full potential. And whether teaching children or adults, the desired outcome of education should be the same—producing smarter people equipped with the tools they need to achieve their own success. I also believe parents and educators must work together. In my family, I witnessed this in my own son who, with a learning disability, was able to overcome adversity by working closely with my wife and I to better understand his lessons from the day's studies, comprehension that wasn't fully realized in class.

I truly believe there are sensible solutions to the current challenges in education, and none so important as returning to consistent in-class learning for our children. I am not a politician. In fact, this is the first community role I have ever sought. But at this time, I know it is right for me to take on the vital cause of supporting our schools, our parents, their children and our future.

(This information furnished by Gregg R. Henton.)

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Administrative School District No 1 Director, Zone 4



**Shirley
Olson**

Occupation: Retired Educational Professional

Occupational Background: Consultant, EDupoint; Consultant, Pearson Education; Adjunct Professor, Concordia University-Chicago; Western

Regional Manager, Hawaii, Educational Testing Service; Consultant/Trainer, Edmin.com; Director, Assessment & Accountability, Campbell Union School District, CA; Director Elementary Ed/Staff Development/Community Services, Williamsville Central School District, NY; Director, Educational Opportunities, Kenmore-Tonawanda Union Free School District, NY; Elementary Principal, Director Staff Development, Salem-Keizer School District, OR; Director Instruction, Lebanon UH-1 & 16c, OR; Classroom Teacher, Cottage Grove Junior High, OR and Stuttgart American HS, Stuttgart, FRG.

Educational Background: University of Southern California, Ed.D, Educational Leadership; University of Oregon, M.Ed Curriculum/Instruction; B.A. English/Journalism/Secondary Education

Prior Governmental Experience: President, Oregon Association of School Supervisors; President, Confederation of Oregon School Administrators; President, Western New York Women in Education; Board Member, New York Women Educators Association; Secretary, California Association for Supervision & Curriculum Development; Board Director, Sunriver Women's Club; Bend-La Pine Schools Budget Committee

Shirley Olson, a native Oregonian, has spent her 50+-year career in Education – serving as both teacher and administrator in public schools, and later, as a national private education consultant.

Along with a Ed.D in Education, Shirley would bring her vast knowledge, skills and experience to the Board – providing options and expanding references for the Board's arsenal in tackling its goals.

"We need our students back in the classroom," Shirley proclaims. She supports the use of current budget and strategic plans, resources and facilities to return students K-12 to in-class experiences.

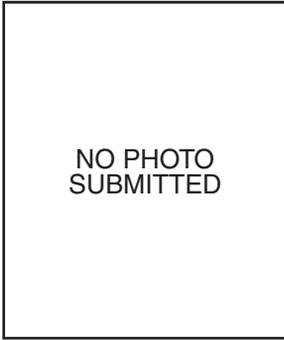
As a full-time resident of Sunriver, Shirley believes the District's Zone 4 (southern Deschutes County) deserves direct representation within the Board – with awareness of the needs of its students, parents and faculty. She is a SMART Reader Volunteer at Rosland Elementary School, La Pine.

"With your vote, I will pledge to serve the Bend-La Pine School District with integrity and conscience in all activity."

Visit: shirley4schools.com

(This information furnished by Shirley Olson.)

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**C A "Cab"
Burge**

Occupation:
Occupational Background:
Educational Background:
Prior Governmental Experience:

I have decided to not actively seek the position #7 on the school board after finding out this afternoon that one of my family has a very serious health problem that will need all the time I can provide to her now.
I found that out this afternoon, 03/19/20121, after the cut off date was set to withdraw.
Please vote for someone else that wants to help our Bend LaPine school system protect and educate our kids better.
Thanks: C.A. "Cab" Burge



**Jon
Haffner**

Occupation: Currently a Financial Analyst for St Charles Health System
Occupational Background: Cost Accountant and Financial Accounting for manufacturing and agricultural companies

Educational Background: BS from Walla Walla University, WA; graduate of Jesuit High School, Beaverton OR
Prior Governmental Experience: None.

As a working, single father, my motivation to join the Bend LaPine School Board is defined by recent experiences and a sincere desire to advocate not only for my child, but also for all of the students in the district who have missed so much this past year. I recognize the profound suffering of children and parents alike, who have felt helpless over the last year as schools are not fully open and educational advancement has stalled. As a founding member of Open Bend LaPine Schools, an online group with almost 3,000 members, I have heard from countless parents expressing their disappointment, their hardships, and their heartaches in the face of having their kids deprived of in-person learning and the critical social development of school life. It has inspired me to make a difference on behalf of families who need a voice.

Since my daughter lost her mother three years ago to a tragic death resulting from mental health issues, I have dedicated myself fulltime to raising her to be a strong, healthy, independent young woman. Since school is vital to personal growth, I was hopeful that she would continue to thrive in her educational journey. But that all changed when schools closed, and, like so many others, she was forced to isolate at home with CDL. She went from being a thriving 5th grader with an early morning daily routine to not wanting to get out of bed. I know that this experience is repeated and shared by so many others. This can never be allowed to happen to our kids again, and I will be a dedicated advocate for families who value education and in-person instruction.

(This information furnished by Cab Burge.)

(This information furnished by Jon Haffner.)

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**Administrative School District No 1
Director, Zone 7**



**Janet Sarai
Llerandi**

Occupation: Founder & Executive Director, Mecca Bend; Administrative & Finance Coordinator, Better Together, The Early Learning Hub

Occupational Background: Paralegal, Fortress Financial;

Administrative Supervisor, Price Fronk & Company

Educational Background: Marshfield High, Coos Bay, OR; Mt. Hood Community College, Gresham, OR

Prior Governmental Experience: None

Lived Experience:

I am a first-generation born American citizen of Indigenous Mexican migrant parents. Over the past 12 years in Central Oregon, my advocacy for supporting youth of color and English language learners has been at the forefront of my career, leading to direct and meaningful changes in our community.

Guidance for Board and Educators:

With new learning and understanding of diversity, equity and inclusionary practices comes the responsibility to act. Educators, staff and Board need more resources and education to expand their knowledge for effectively supporting all students they reach. Leveraging my partnerships in Central Oregon across sectors ensures we are better prepared to combat the inequities.

Prioritizing Return to Classrooms:

Returning to in-person learning is at the forefront of my plan. At the core of this transition is intentional family engagement. I bring innovative ideas and models to get students back in class in safe ways that account for the diverse family dynamics in our district, as well as universal challenges all families are facing.

Fiscal Planning and Budgeting: From managing multi-million dollar budgets with legislative cuts to funding, to leading equitable community programs with cultural integrity, my skills gained from lived and professional experience are unmatched.

“Janet does not accept the status quo and continuously pushes forward a vision where everyone has the opportunity to thrive.” *Shimiko Montgomery, Bend-La Pine School Board Member*

janetllerandiforschools.com

Endorsed by:

- Strengthening Central Oregon PAC
- Carrie M Douglas, Chair, Bend-La Pine School District Board of Directors
- Shimiko Montgomery, Bend-La Pine School Board Member
- Rita Schenkelberg, Bend City Councilor
- Megan Perkins, Bend City Councilor

(This information furnished by Janet Sarai Llerandi.)

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**Alfalfa Fire District
Director, Position 1**



**John
Brooks**

Occupation: Semi-retired providing consulting services. Consultant to Cycle Oregon planning routes and coordinating permits.

Occupational Background: Partner VLMK Consulting Engi-

neers in Portland Oregon for 35 years. Specializing in land use and entitlement services, industrial building master planning, land acquisition, design review coordination, permit coordination and project management during project construction.

Educational Background: Chapman grade school and Lincoln high school Portland, Oregon. Four years of courses at Oregon State University and the University of Oregon. No degrees.

Prior Governmental Experience: No elected positions. Volunteer work at City of Portland Transportation Dept and the Multnomah Neighborhood Association in Portland.

Hello! My name is John Brooks and I have lived in the Alfalfa area for about three years. We love living here and I hope that with your support I can apply the experience I learned in my career to the Alfalfa Fire District director position. This community has given so much to us – and I look forward to giving something back by serving the district.

I have recently retired from VLMK Consulting Engineers in Portland after 35 years. I continue to do some consulting work part-time. I also work for Cycle Oregon planning routes through rural Oregon and coordinating permits from the various agencies that Cycle Oregon visits.

During my career, I managed the design and construction of large industrial projects, often with substantial budgets. The work included extensive interactions with public agencies. I worked with my clients to masterplan their project and formulate a construction budget, coordinate environmental and infrastructure compliance, permits, and oversee the project through construction.

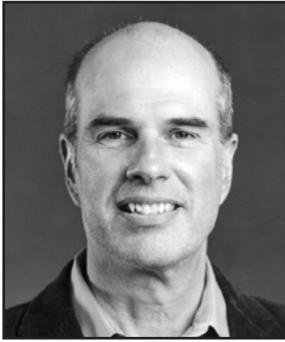
I believe that my experience in coordinating with public agencies and managing large budgets would be an asset to the Alfalfa Fire District and I would be honored to serve in the director position.

Thank you for your consideration.

(This information furnished by John Brooks.)

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Bend Metro Park and Recreation District Director, Position 3



Nathan Hovekamp

Occupation: Biologist and Educator

Occupational Background: Environmental conservation, college biology instruction, and natural interpretation & resource management

Educational Background: Kent State University, B.S. in biology; University of Wisconsin-Madison, M.S. in zoology; Oregon State University, Ph.D. in education

Prior Governmental Experience: Bend Park & Recreation Board, 2015-present (currently Chair); Bend Planning Commission, 2004-12 (two years as Chair); Bend-La Pine School Board, 2004-08 (one year as Chair)

Personal: My family and I have lived in Bend since 1997. Together we enjoy exploring Oregon's magnificent high desert, mountains, and coast.

Outstanding parks, trails, natural areas, and recreational facilities & programs are public amenities central to our quality of life in promoting health, happiness, and connection with nature. They are also shared assets contributing to an attractive and prosperous community. Their oversight requires visionary and strategic planning as well as fiscal discipline and prioritization. I would like the opportunity to continue representing you in these efforts, working with board and staff colleagues, listening to concerned citizens, monitoring district policies and operations, and helping ensure equal access to and distribution of these amenities across the district.

I know that you expect wise and careful stewardship of our precious parks, trails, natural areas, and recreational facilities & programs. From complex, prominent projects to simply daily operations across the park district, I will concentrate on conscientious expenditure of public funds and the balance between expanding our system as needed in order to sustain our level of service versus taking care of what we have and the investments the community has already made.

Thank you,
Nathan Hovekamp

Endorsements

Endorsements include current and former Bend Park & Recreation Board Directors, Bend City Councilors, state legislators, and environmental champions:

Ted Schoenborn	Jim Clinton	Bill Marlett
Deb Schoen	Jodie Barram	Tod Heisler
Ariel Mendez	Melanie Kebler	Ryan Houston
Jason Kropf	Charlie Ringo	Stu Garrett
Brady Fuller	Judy Stiegler	Craig Lacy
Ellen Grover	Ben Gordon	George Wuerthner
Lauren Sprang	Paul Dewey	

Oregon League of Conservation Voters

(This information furnished by Nathan Hovekamp.)

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Bend Metro Park and Recreation District Director, Position 3



Lauren Nowierski-Stadnick

Occupation: Civil Attorney

Occupational Background: Desmarais LLP; Goodwin Procter LLP; Sughrue Mion PLLC (summer associate); Hon. Jack Weinstein (student law clerk)

Educational Background: MIT, BS (Chemical Engineering); Cardozo School of Law, JD

Prior Governmental Experience: None

Why I'm Running:

I am a lifelong athlete who understands the importance of a robust parks and recreation program.

I began recreational sports at age 4. Years of involvement (as an athlete, camp counselor, and umpire) provided invaluable skills that improved my education, relationships, and career. It also nourished my physical and mental health which allowed me to play three NCAA sports. Now, I, along with my husband, enjoy hiking with our dogs, biking, ice skating, and trail running in our Bend parks.

I am running for BPRD because I would like to offer my creative problem solving and tenacious research skills to help maximize the budget to improve Bend's recreational programming and the accessibility of parks and recreation to *everyone*.

My Ideas:

As we enter year two of the pandemic, challenges in our community are far from behind us. Despite a reduced budget, BPRD can help Bend navigate the rising mental health crisis and growing population.

In the upcoming term, BPRD should prioritize:

- Improved recreation offerings for all, particularly for youth, seniors, veterans, and underrepresented communities. Reports indicate the pandemic and resulting social isolation have led to significant mental health strains. Mindful BPRD programming can offer our community opportunities to heal and reconnect.
- Thoughtful expansion of the park system to grow with the city. BPRD must work closely with city planners to ensure that all neighborhoods (new and old) can access parks. Any opportunity to preserve our precious open lands and trees, as well as existing facilities, should be carefully considered with long term growth and sustainability prioritized.

New local partnerships and creative fundraising opportunities may help strengthen our community while surpassing our goals.

I would be honored to serve. Thank you very much for your consideration.

(This information furnished by Lauren Nowierski-Stadnick.)

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Bend Metro Park and Recreation District Director, Position 4



**Zavier
Borja**

Occupation: High Desert Educational Service District; Vamonos Outside Program Coordinator

Occupational Background: Recreation; Outdoor Leadership

Educational Background: George Fox University, BA; Oregon State University - Outdoor Industry Leadership Certificate

Prior Governmental Experience: Governor's Task Force: Road Map to the Outdoors and Racial Justice Council

Board and Committee Experience: Deschutes Trails Coalition Steering Committee Member; Latino Community Association; Heart of Oregon Corps; River Plan Focus Group; Latinx Success Initiative

¡PARQUES PARA TODOS! (Parks should be for everyone!)

I have spent my career helping to lead work at the state and local level to make green spaces accessible to all our community members. As founder of Vamonos Outside and being a first-generation Mexican-American, born and raised in Central Oregon, I am aware of current barriers to access and am dedicated to breaking them down to create more equitable access for everyone living in Bend. This includes bringing more access to parks, trails, and green spaces in central Bend and some of the more densely populated areas. It also means working to connect existing trails for ease of transportation.

I look forward to the opportunity to serve the community and make sure that Bend's parks are for everyone.

"Zavi is the voice Bend Parks and Rec needs - I've been impressed with his level of involvement and commitment in our community. It's dedicated leaders like Zavi that will secure a solid future for Bend Parks and Rec."

-Jason Kropf, State Representative

Endorsements include :

Phil Chang, Deschutes County Commissioner

Deb Schoen, Bend Park & Recreation Board Director

Ariel Mendez, Bend Park & Recreation District Board Member

Rita Schenkelberg, Bend City Councilor

Megan Perkins, Bend City Councilor

Melanie Kebler, Bend City Councilor

Gena Goodman-Campbell, Bend City Councilor

Anthony Broadman, Bend City Councilor

Bruce Abernethy, former Bend City Councilor

Shimiko Montgomery, Bend-La Pine School Board Member

Amy Tatom, Bend-La Pine School Board Member

Carrie McPherson Douglass, Bend-La Pine School

Board Member

Oregon League of Conservation Voters

Vocal Seniority

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(This information furnished by Zavier Borja.)

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Bend Metro Park and Recreation District Director, Position 4



**Robin
Vora**

Occupation: Retired

Occupational Background: 39 years for the U.S. Forest Service and U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service in seven states as a forester, ecologist, wildlife biologist, and manager. Assignments in 7 countries.

Educational Background: Masters and Bachelors degrees Natural Resources, University of Idaho, U.C. Berkeley.

Prior Governmental Experience: In my 19 years in Bend, I have served on several city committees including urban growth boundary expansion and urban renewal district, transportation, and historic landmarks commission. I am on the Soil & Water Conservation District Board. I served 10 years on the Orchard District Neighborhood Association Board. I oversaw recreation programs as a manager with the U.S. Forest Service and assisted with youth environmental education. I served on a Minnesota city's recreation committee. I volunteer at the Tower Theatre and have been involved with the Deschutes Land Trust, East Cascades Audubon Society, and Habitat for Humanity.

My priorities would be:

- Completion of river trails
- Needed future parks in underserved neighborhoods
- More native vegetation and less lawn in parks
- River fish passage
- Expanding the trail network in Bend
- Maintaining the diversity of programs
- Serving all population groups

Towards these priorities, in Bend I:

- Am a regular advocate for parks, trails, facilities, and recreation programs.
- Advocated for and assisted with the acquisition and planning of 4 parks in Bend: Orchard (with adjacent Latino residents), Canal Row, Goodrich and Miller Landing.
- Served on a Park and Recreation District Citizen Advisory Committee.
- Worked 13 years with two school principals to maintain public access to Pilot Butte, advocated for rogue trail closures on the Butte, and got a sidewalk around Marshall High ballfield.
- Pull noxious weeds in parks.
- Assisted with adaptive recreation for people with disabilities.

Benefited from District classes and Juniper Swim & Fitness.

Coached youth soccer for 7 years in Minnesota.

Immigrated from India at age 13.

I would like the opportunity to continue to contribute more directly as a Board member.

Endorsement: Oregon League of Conservation Voters.

(This information furnished by Robin Vora.)

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Bend Metro Park and Recreation District Director, Position 5



**Deb
Schoen**

Occupation: Retired Parks Professional; Bend Park & Recreation Board Member (BPRD); MountainStar Relief Nursery Board Member.

Occupational Background: Interim Director Park and Recreation

Services; Superintendent of Community Programs; ADA Transition Coordinator, Supervisor; Recreation and Historical Facilities.

Educational Background: Certified Park and Recreation Professional; Western Mennonite High School.

Prior Governmental Experience: National Recreation & Park Association Commission for Accreditation of Park & Recreation Agencies (CAPRA); Oregon Recreation & Park Association; BPRD Foundation.

EQUITABLE ACCESS

A strong park and recreation system has the transformational power to advance equitable access, community engagement, and conservation. I will prioritize planning for growth, supporting staff, and ensuring equitable access to nature and programs for our community.

40 YEARS EXPERIENCE

My passion and concern for building community and improving people's quality of life, compels my service.

- I believe parks and recreation contribute meaningfully to community priorities alongside partners. I supported development of affordable housing and providing new subsidized full-day childcare during pandemic distance learning.
- Through my work with CAPRA, I support organizations in achieving national standards of best practices and this national lens shapes my knowledge in service to the BPRD.
- As a Parks Professional, I am proficient in recreation program management, strategic planning, and public engagement.

AWARD WINNING PARKS LEADER

You can count on my sound judgment, advocacy for underserved populations, and my commitment to fiscal responsibility.

- Oregon Recreation and Parks Association's 2019 David E. Clark Honor Award.
- Presenter at State and National Conferences on Recreation Program Management, Employee Development, and Financial Oversight.
- Deschutes Land Trust volunteer to protect and conserve public lands.

I would be honored to earn your vote to ensure that BPRD remains a high-quality, award-winning agency.

Endorsements include:

Oregon League of Conservation Voters

Strengthening Central Oregon PAC

The Vocal Seniority

Jason Kropf, State Representative

Nathan Hovekamp, Bend Park & Recreation Board Director

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Anthony Broadman, Bend City Councilor

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Bend Metro Park and Recreation District Director, Position 5



**Elizabeth
Hughes
Weide**

Occupation: Retired. Active as a volunteer with: Central Oregon Master Gardeners Association, Board Member - Vice President for Community Education; The Parks HOA, Board Member, Firewise Committee, Design

Review Committee. Mt Bachelor Kennel Club and BADD Member

Occupational Background: Environmental scientist and project manager with 32 years of experience. Managed numerous NEPA and CEQA projects assessing the environmental impacts of projects including: development of community parks, bridge rehabilitation and replacement, new and improved bikeways, water and natural gas pipelines, flood control and levee improvements, storm water control, new rail projects, highway projects, and ski resort expansions.

Educational Background: California State University, Sacramento, MS, Counseling; University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, MS, Geology; Carleton College, Northfield, MN, BA, Geology

Prior Governmental Experience: None.

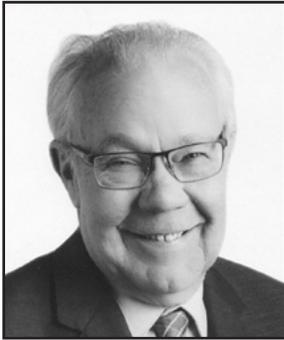
I am interested in assisting the BPRD Board of Directors with any current issues involving environmental compliance and permitting, including park expansions and bike and pedestrian pathway extensions along the river and throughout the park district. I have managed all aspects of environmental compliance, from project scoping, environmental documentation, environmental permitting, and construction monitoring, and I am an experienced project facilitator, negotiator, and problem solver.

I have an extensive background conducting public outreach on controversial and challenging projects involving bridges, flood control structures, water and natural gas pipelines, and community parks. This experience, along with my science background, counseling work with underserved communities, and an environmental compliance background will enable me to participate in a variety of complex discussions with members of the BPRD Board of Directors and with members of the public.

(This information furnished by Elizabeth Hughes Weide.)

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Central Oregon Community College Director, Zone 3



**Alan
Unger**

Occupation: Retired

Occupational Background: Deschutes County – Commissioner; General Contractor – Owner; Central Oregon Paint Supply – Partner; Multnomah County Sheriff – Corrections

Educational Background: OSU/County College – certificate; University of Portland – BS, General Science; Redmond Schools

Prior Governmental Experience: COCC Board of Directors; Deschutes County Commissioner; City of Redmond – Mayor; Oregon Community Colleges Assoc – Exec. Board

Thank you for the opportunity to serve on the COCC Board for the last four years. This last year has been very challenging for our community. COVID restrictions have meant that campuses are closed and classes are mostly remote. Professors and students have met the challenges of remote learning and have persevered!

A focus on student success and safety will help us find the right balance of online, in-person, and hybrid classes for the upcoming fall term. We take seriously our responsibility to ensure the safety of students and faculty as we move back to in-person learning.

I have a special interest in the Redmond Campus as I grew up in Redmond. The Redmond Campus has focused on CTE, Veterinary Medicine, Electric Vehicles, and Workforce development. We can grow Redmond into a stand-alone campus that supports the Prineville and Madras Campuses. I see great benefit in students being able to take in-person classes from either the Redmond or Bend Campus in order to successfully meet their educational goals.

There is much that COCC and the faculty can do for you. Contact the school, we have staff available to answer your questions and help you to be a successful student.

Thank you for your support. Please reach out to me with your ideas at: agunger@cocc.edu

(This information furnished by Alan Unger.)

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Central Oregon Community College Director, Zone 4



**Erica
Skatvold**

Occupation: St. Charles Health System, Director of Quality Management

Occupational Background: Clinical Practice & Professional Development; Clinical Informatics

Educational Background: University of Chicago, Master of Public Policy with a Certificate in Health Administration and Policy; University of Denver, BA, International Studies & Italian; Bend Senior High School

Prior Governmental Experience: COCC Board 2017-present (Chair 2020-present, Vice Chair 2018-2020); Deschutes Public Library System Budget Committee (2017-2020); US DHHS, Program Evaluation Intern (2012)

It has been an honor to serve on the Central Oregon Community College (COCC) Board, giving back to the college that gave me educational opportunities while growing up in Bend. As a board member I have advocated for: increasing partnerships with local businesses and organizations; increasing professional experience development and modern technical training programs; “dual credit” programs; alternative class schedule options; and being fiscally responsible. These are all important aspects for COCC to continue to provide Central Oregon with accessible, relevant training programs and successful students.

Additionally, while serving as the board vice chair and chair, the board has focused on: our **commitment to diversity, equity, and inclusion** through training and policy; including more **voices of students, faculty, and staff** in board meetings and decisions; and supporting **Institutional Advancement**. I have advocated for COCC’s partnership in helping solve the **child-care crisis** and for programs that provide **financial support to students for the total cost to attend college** to keep students on track to their educational goals. These will continue to be important focuses for COCC as a community partner and to meet the needs of students over the next few years.

I would be honored to have your vote to continue to serve on the COCC Board.

Endorsements:

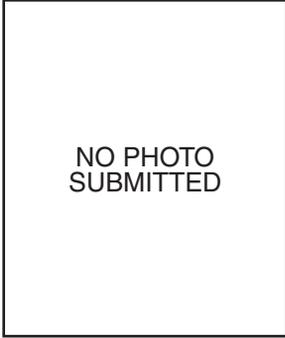
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Gena Goodman-Campbell, Mayor Pro Tem, Bend City Councilor
Barb Campbell, Bend City Councilor
Melanie Kebler, Bend City Councilor
Jim Clinton, COCC Board, former Bend Mayor
Dr. Rod Ray

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**Cloverdale Rural Fire Protection District
Director, Position 4**



**Deanne
Dement**

Occupation: Board member
Position #4

Occupational Background:
Volunteer with Cloverdale Rural Fire District 20+ years as volunteer fire fighter; Budget committee member

Educational Background: Lane Community College Associates of social science Law enforcement

Prior Governmental Experience: Current Board Member of Cloverdale Rural Fire Protection District. Position #4

I moved to Central Oregon in the spring of 1991 and joined the Cloverdale Rural Fire District as a volunteer fire fighter in the fall. During the nearly 30 years I have lived here I have seen this area grow and change from a very rural area to a mix of urban interface and rural. There are now homes where there were farm fields, and juniper forests. I have seen the fire department grow as well. We have upgraded our equipment and training to reflect today's modern society as a result of these improvements we also upgraded and rebuilt our two stations to house the equipment and training needed. Now we face the challenges of adding an ALS Ambulance to our department and streamlining our program, to better serve the members of the Sisters country. We need to continue working with the neighboring fire departments So that we may protect and serve the constituents of this District. I would like your yes vote to serve the district for the next 4 more years

(This information furnished by Deanne N. Dement.)

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**Cloverdale Rural Fire Protection District
Director, Position 4**



**Michelle (Mikee)
Stutzman**

Occupation: Ministry Coordinator

Occupational Background:
NA

Educational Background:
Homeschool, Highschool, Diploma

Prior Governmental Experience: None

When I married my husband Joel Stutzman, firefighters became part of my life. He was a volunteer firefighter at Woodburn Fire District in Woodburn, Oregon. From that time forward I have helped support volunteer firefighters in all the districts we have lived in from Silverton Fire District in Silverton, Oregon, to Winfield Fire Protection District in the suburbs of Chicago, Illinois to Cloverdale Rural Fire Protection District in Sisters, Oregon. I have helped with fund raising events, providing meals during conflagrations, and dinners during association meetings. Firefighters have a special place in my heart, not just because I married one, but because both our sons are career/volunteer firefighters.

I am running for Director, Position 4 because I want to do my part in protecting and caring for my neighbors in this community. I desire to be a voice on the board for our community. Working alongside the other board members to make decisions that not only benefit the property owners and residents but also provide the volunteers and staff with the training, equipment and tools to provide the protection and service we have benefited from for the past 58 years.

I am known for being a rule follower and making sure that everyone is participating to the best of their ability to make the task at hand work efficiently and to its greatest potential. I will bring those skills with me to the Board Meetings. It is only when we all come together with our talents, skills, relationships and willingness to serve others do we accomplish great things. I think it is important for the board to be made up of those who have served as firefighters and those who are community members. Both bring important perspectives to the issues and decisions at hand.

(This information furnished by Michelle (Mikee) Stutzman.)

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Cloverdale Rural Fire Protection District Director, Position 5



**Cindy
Kettering**

Occupation: Deputy Fire Marshal, Bend Fire & Rescue, 2004 to Present; Director, Cloverdale Rural Fire Protection District, 2013 to Present.

Occupational Background: Volunteer Firefighter/EMT, Cloverdale Rural Fire Protection District, 2004 to 2013; Volunteer Firefighter/EMT since 1990 with agencies in the Willamette Valley and Mt. Hood.

Educational Background: Colorado State University, Bachelor's Degree in Public Management; Chemeketa Community College, Associate's Degree in Fire Science/Fire Prevention.

Prior Governmental Experience: Cloverdale Rural Fire Protection District, District Director Position 5 since 2013.

As Central Oregon continues to grow and change at a rapid pace, it is essential that your elected officials plan for the future while providing the best possible service to their community. As the Vice President of the Cloverdale Board of Directors since 2013, I have been involved in many positive changes within the District. Through bond funding in 2014, training, facilities, and equipment have been greatly improved in order to meet current federal safety standards. Yet many challenges remain, primarily in the area of staffing. Volunteer firefighters and EMT's are on the decline nationally, particularly as training and certification requirements continue to increase. Those who guide today's fire districts must be prepared to face these challenges creatively and responsibly.

As someone with many years of experience as a volunteer firefighter and EMT, I understand the needs of small, volunteer-based fire departments. As a paid fire service employee, I understand the many challenges that face today's fire departments locally, regionally, and nationally. Finally, as a member of the Cloverdale Board of Directors, I understand the importance of responsibly serving the Cloverdale community with professionalism and compassion.

I appreciate the opportunity to serve the Cloverdale community over the past eight years, and I ask for your vote so I may continue to serve and guide the Cloverdale Rural Fire Protection District for the next four years. Thank you.

(This information furnished by Cindy Kettering.)

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Cloverdale Rural Fire Protection District Director, Position 5



**Marcus
Peck**

Occupation: Self-employed – small successful Sign Company & Construction

Occupational Background: I have been a Cloverdale Volunteer Since 2009. I have been a Volunteer Fireman for over 45 years.

Educational Background: I have a bachelor's degree in Business Management from San Jose State University with a minor in Farm Management.

Prior Governmental Experience: Former member of a Water District Agricultural Advisory Board. Currently a board member of the Urban Forestry Board for the City of Sisters. Former Budget Advisory Board member for the Sisters Parks and Recreation District when it was 75 thousand dollars in the red and our budget committee turned it back into a properly run organization.

I am immensely proud to be a member of the Cloverdale Rural Fire District. I believe that those who reside in our fire district should be proud of the dedication of your volunteers who give countless hours to the Fire Department (without compensation).

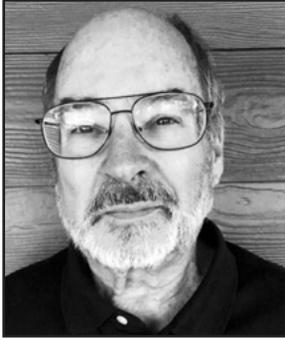
We are a wonderful family of 22 dedicated volunteer firefighters, 3-4 student firefighters and a paid training officer and paid chief. We are your neighbors and your friends. We are First Responders. We are spread out all across the district and all of us truly represent the Neighbors helping Neighbor's concept.

I ask for your vote.

(This information furnished by Marcus Peck.)

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Deschutes County Rural Fire Protection District No 2, Director, Position 1



Gary Cadez

Occupation: Retired

Occupational Background: Forest Service-Crew Boss and Aide-Fire suppression-Intermountain West and California; Intermountain Experiment/Research Lab-prescribed burn

studies; Senior Research Associate- USU Institute for Outdoor Recreation-Tourism; President-CadWest Research-Tourism and Outdoor Recreation research for government, private entities.

Educational Background: B.S. Degree: Outdoor Recreation, Certified Forester (Utah State University)

Prior Governmental Experience: Chair/Vice Chair-Cache-Rich Tourism Board; Mountainland Tourism Board; Budget Committee-DCRFPD#2-2 yrs.; Director-DCRFPD#2-4 yrs.

It has been an honor to serve our community on the Deschutes County Rural Fire Protection District #2 board as we continue a strong collaborative contractual relationship with Bend Fire and Rescue for fire protection, emergency medical and rescue services in our growing communities.

Some highlights of board work the past two years:

- Two new fire stations (15 St. and Tumalo) completed and brought online to expand service and improve response time for services. These constructions were a result of sound financial planning by the board. During this pandemic year response time for emergency services has been crucial. Bend Fire and Rescue First Responders have done an amazing job under extremely trying circumstances. Planning for future growth and challenges in our communities is essential. I will support these efforts as a board director.
- Wildfire poses an extreme threat to life and property as we have witnessed this past summer in neighboring communities to our West. A major effort of the District in preventing wildfire losses is through a program called Firewise Communities. The District provides educational materials and grants to help HOA's and homeowners prepare their property to prevent and mitigate damage from wildfire. Eleven more communities received Firewise certification through this program. Having witnessed the devastating effects of wildfire during my career, I support District efforts to continue this important program.

I ask for your vote so that we continue to have strong fire protection, prevention and emergency medical/rescue services in our communities.

(This information furnished by Gary Cadez.)

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Deschutes County Rural Fire Protection District No 2, Director, Position 2



Karl Scronce

Occupation: Farmer; OSAA Basketball Official

Occupational Background: Farmer, Klamath County, 1981-2010; Oregon Wheat Growers League, President, 2004; National Association of Wheat Growers, President, 2010

Educational Background: Lost River High School, Merrill, Oregon; Oregon State University, Corvallis, Oregon, BS Agri-Business Management

Prior Governmental Experience: Klamath County Natural Resource Advisory Committee, 2005-7; Deschutes County Rural Fire Protection District 2, Budget Committee, 2018-19, Board Member, Position 2, 2019-present

I, Karl Scronce, have been proud to serve as your Director of Deschutes County Rural Fire Protection District #2 since 2019 and would appreciate your support and your vote. I currently hold Position 2 and in 2020 was elected by my fellow Board Members as Vice-Chair.

You the voter and taxpayer have an important opportunity to re-elect me, a fellow citizen and neighbor, who has a continued goal for fairness and value in our government. I work with and have great respect for our partner organization Bend Fire and Rescue; but I work for you and I promise to represent you, the citizens within District 2.

District 2 has a contractual agreement with Bend Fire and Rescue to provide fire protection and emergency medical services for our area. District 2 is the owner of the firehouses and buildings. This partnership creates efficiency for both areas for which I will continue to base my future decisions.

The last few years have been exciting for District 2. Two new firehouses at Pilot Butte and Tumalo have been constructed and are now fully operational. We plan that these units along with the other stations will provide for years of growth.

Although the future may not be as exciting as building new stations, it is nevertheless equally as important:

- Painting older stations
- Pay off debt on East Station and Training Facility
- Continued public education of fire safe building materials and yard landscaping
- The continued use of grants for fire safe communities.

Thank you,
Karl Scronce

(This information furnished by Karl Scronce.)

The above information has not been verified for accuracy by the county.

Deschutes County Rural Fire Protection District No 2, Director, Position 2



Oliver Tatom

Occupation: RN Supervisor, St. Charles Family Care

Occupational Background: Paramedic and Registered Nurse

Educational Background:

University of Southern California, BA, American Studies; Central Oregon Community College, AAS, Nursing; Yale-New Haven Hospital, Certificate, Paramedic; Bend Senior High School

Prior Governmental Experience: Central Oregon Community College, Board of Directors, (Elected); Deschutes County Project Wildfire Steering Committee (Appointed)

Deschutes Rural Fire District #2 protects the lives and property of its residents through a partnership with Bend Fire & Rescue. While this has been effective, challenges loom ahead as our region continues to grow and change. To navigate these challenges successfully, the District needs local leaders with experience and commitment.

LOCAL.

My childhood home was one of 19 houses destroyed by the 1996 Skeleton Fire. I understand the risks of living in Central Oregon, and helping my neighbors prepare for the next fire disaster is why I serve on Deschutes County's Project Wildfire Steering Committee. I don't want anyone to lose their home and the memories it holds to wildfire.

EXPERIENCED.

The Fire District will soon ask voters whether to maintain – or even expand – the current EMS levy to reduce 911 response times and prevent burnout. Before I became a nurse, I worked as an ambulance-based paramedic in both rural and urban EMS systems. I know how to support our first responders because I was a first responder.

COMMITTED.

My family chose to remain and rebuild after the Skeleton Fire, and six years ago my wife and I returned home to raise our kids. I serve on the boards of both Central Oregon Community College and the Central Oregon Disability Support Network; I teach CPR and first aid; and I provide free car seat checks. I give back to my community because I care deeply about the people who live here.

Proudly endorsed by the Bend Firefighters Association, IAFF Local 227.

Learn more at www.olivertatom.com

(This information furnished by Oliver Tatom.)

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Deschutes Public Library District Director, Zone 2



Bunny Thompson

Occupation: Retired

Occupational Background: Engineer, Amoco Production Co., Lafayette, LA; Sole Proprietor, Hi-Tech Sales, Dallas, TX; Professor of Engineering, North Lake College, Irving, TX;

Engineer, McDonnell Douglas, Houston, TX; Contract Engineer, NASA, Houston, TX; Freelance Writer, Sisters, OR

Educational Background: Florida Atlantic University, Bachelor of Science, Ocean Engineering; University of Texas, Master of Science, Solar Engineering

Prior Governmental Experience: Deschutes Public Library District Board, Zone 2 Director; President, Friends of Sisters Library, Sisters, OR; Mayor Pro-Tem and Councilman, City Council, Coppel, TX

I have served on the Deschutes Public Library District Board since January 2021. Prior to that, I was President of the Friends of Sisters Library for six years. As a lifelong advocate of libraries, a freelance writer who values the importance of good research, and a mother of two children who often came home with a large bag of books to read from the library, I feel privileged to be a part of the library system.

I am a retired engineer with experience in design and construction. Over the next few years, the Deschutes Public Library will be moving forward with the voter-approved bond issue to build a new Central Library and improve the branch libraries. I look forward to this process and to helping the staff and board make prudent decisions for these projects and for the long-range future of our libraries.

Deschutes County is growing rapidly, and it is the duty of the Deschutes Library District Board to provide services and assistance to our community given changing demographics and new technological advancements. With our focus on the future along with attention to the present, Deschutes Public Library can remain one of the outstanding and progressive library systems in the state.

I ask for your vote and your confidence to continue to help our libraries move forward for the next generation.

(This information furnished by Bunny Thompson.)

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Deschutes Public Library District Director, Zone 3



**Martha
Lawler**

Occupation: Retired

Occupational Background: Contract Manager, State of California; IT Manager, State of California

Educational Background: University of California, Davis, BA

Prior Governmental Experience: Deschutes Public Library District Board; Deschutes Public Library Budget Committee; La Pine Library Advisory Council

I have been involved with the Deschutes Public Library District since moving to La Pine in 2004. At that time I started volunteering at the La Pine branch and continue to do so to this day. For the past ten years, I've had the privilege of serving on the Deschutes Public Library Board and am currently Board President.

It's an honor to be associated with this organization. Our library branches provide extensive resources that all residents can readily access, either in person or on-line. Our library system is considered one of the best in Oregon and has achieved national recognition as well.

I'm very proud of how the district reacted to the pandemic. With very little notice, library staff had to make difficult decisions under very trying circumstances to provide for the needs of our communities while keeping patrons and staff safe. This was accomplished by greatly expanding on-line offerings to help offset the fact that access to the buildings themselves had been curtailed.

Thanks to the generosity of Deschutes County voters, a library bond measure on the November ballot passed. This will allow construction of a new Central Library in an under-served and growing part of the county. This facility will offer new services as well as the consolidation and streamlining of "behind-the-scenes" operations to improve support to the other branches. Funds will also allow remodeling of the existing branches to provide much-needed facelifts and more flexible use of space as we move toward a post-pandemic world.

As your Incumbent Zone 3 Director, I'm again asking for your vote so that I can continue my involvement with the Board as our Library District looks to its future. Thank you.

(This information furnished by Martha Lawler.)

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Deschutes Public Library District Director, Zone 3



**Anne M
Ness**

Occupation: Court Appointed Special Advocate for foster children

Occupational Background: Special Education Teacher for 30 years.

Educational Background: BA, Masters in Education

Prior Governmental Experience: School District Council Member, Beaverton; Midland County Intermediate School Board Member, Michigan.

I am running to invest in our community libraries and help them grow. As a school board member, educator, literacy volunteer, and children's advocate, I know first-hand the key role access to a strong local library can play in our communities.

EVERYONE DESERVES ACCESS TO GREAT LIBRARIES

Voters approved a \$195 million bond to improve our libraries. Those taxpayer dollars should be managed fairly to meet the needs of our whole county. The current library board plans to spend most of our money on one mega-library in north Bend, leaving little for us in south county. We deserve better.

WE NEED A LIBRARY BOARD THAT INVESTS IN LA PINE, SUNRIVER, AND DESCHUTES RIVER WOODS

Those of us in south county are being overlooked. As your next Library Board Member, I will:

Ensure our tax dollars are used **efficiently** and **locally**;

Expand library **hours** and **technology resources** in our community libraries;

Improve our **facilities** to create more spaces to serve both adults and children;

Focus funds to **serve everyone** - children, older adults, and the disadvantaged.

LET'S USE OUR TAXES WISELY

This is not the time to add to our tax bill. The Library Board plans to issue the entire \$195 million in bonds right now. We should delay these bonds until 2022, and then raise the money in stages as needed to ease our tax burden.

I am proud to earn endorsements from:

Phil Chang, Deschutes County Commissioner

John Hummel, Deschutes County District Attorney

Tammy Baney, Former Deschutes County Commissioner

Jennifer Neahring, MD, St. Charles Medical Group

Toby Bayard, Executive Director, Supporters of Literacy

Andy High, Former School Board Chair

Kristine L. Callahan, Teacher

Catherine C. Daley, retired Teacher

www.anneness4library.com

(This information furnished by Anne M Ness.)

The above information has not been verified for accuracy by the county.

La Pine Park and Recreation District Director, Position 1



Deren Ash

Occupation: Software Developer; Small Business Owner; Hospital Volunteer, Therapy Dog Handler

Occupational Background: Lead Software Developer, Veriform Systems (2003-2006); Park

Crew, Mt Hood Meadows (1999-2001); Water Quality Supervisor, Lake Oswego Corporation (1994-2001)

Educational Background: Portland State University, BS, Computer Science

Prior Governmental Experience: La Pine Park & Recreation District Board, 2019-present

Prior Community Service

- Director of Operations, Board of Directors, Maui Search and Rescue
- Race Director, Board of Directors, Maui County Hawaiian Canoe Association
- President, Board of Directors, Maui Paddling Hui
- Board of Directors, Hawaiian Canoe Racing Association

My Story

I grew up in Oregon, and lived most of my adult life on Maui where I volunteered and served on the boards of several non-profit organizations. I moved to La Pine three years ago, and volunteered for the La Pine Park & Recreation District board to give back to our amazing community.

Goals

My goal is to provide recreational opportunities to our community. The District has done a lot of good work, and has some great facilities and programs and wonderful hard-working staff members. I am asking for your vote for reelection so that I may continue to help bring the District to the next level and meet the needs of our community:

- **Increase programs and activities:** Increase and create more recreational opportunities, including activities for kids, adults, and seniors.
- **Communication:** Expand public outreach and improve communication, so that everyone in the community knows about the activities being offered, and so we can better receive input from the community.
- **Fiscal Responsibility:** The District uses its budget extremely efficiently and responsibly, stretching every dollar to benefit the community. The District needs stable sources of funding so we can continue this trajectory, so we need to pass the small local tax levy that is on our ballots.

Please visit my website at www.Deren4LaPine.us, or email me at Deren@Deren4LaPine.us, I'd love to hear from you!

(This information furnished by Deren Ash.)

The above information has not been verified for accuracy by the county.

La Pine Park and Recreation District Director, Position 2



Thomas Wisley

Occupation: Volunteer, La Pine Chamber of Commerce; Customer Service Associate, Oregon Beverage Recycling Cooperative

Occupational Background: Stage Technician, Second

Street Theater, Bend, Oregon; Courtesy Technician, Bend Express Lube, Bend, Oregon; Campaign Manager, Karen 4 Oregon, La Pine, Oregon

Educational Background: Bend Senior High School (2012-2015); La Pine High School (2015-2016), graduated; Central Oregon Community College (2019-present)

Prior Governmental Experience: Intern, Oregon State Legislature (2018 short session); La Pine Park and Recreation District, Board of Directors, Position 2 (2020-present)

Since August 2020, I have had the pleasure of serving the La Pine Park and Recreation District Board of Directors, and I humbly ask for your vote to continue serving.

On the La Pine Park Board, I've been an advocate of creative, collaborative, thoughtful leadership, viewing life as an ongoing learning opportunity, which are the premier leadership values of young people today. In pursuit of realizing these values, I hope to lend a perspective that can improve the livability of South County, and make it a more appealing place to live, recreate and raise a family as it continues to grow. Serving on the La Pine Park Board has given me an opportunity to get the perspective of people whose hard work makes La Pine a wonderful place for a young person like myself to grow up.

My view of La Pine Parks is not just recreational, but educational. I want to expand informational resources relevant to natural and native history that can promote our understanding of the place we call home.

On the La Pine Park Board, I seek to advocate for plans to grow the quantity and quality of services offered by the District, to broaden our appeal and increase tourism, help local businesses and to share the unique beauty of South County.

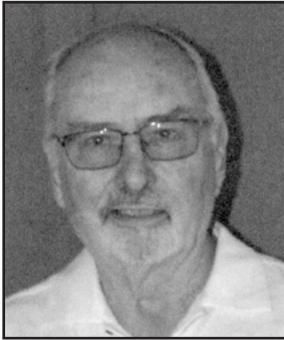
Endorsements:

Dan Richer, La Pine Mayor
Ann Gawith, former LPRD Board Member
Deren Ash, Park Board Member

(This information furnished by Thomas Wisley.)

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La Pine Rural Fire Protection District Director, Position 1



**Jerry
Hubbard**

Occupation: President, Upper Deschutes River Communities, Sunriver.

Occupational Background: President, Upper Deschutes River Communities (awarded \$150,000 grant for fuel reduction

in South Deschutes County; Sunriver Anglers Secretary; Portland General Electric Company, Manager, Facilities Management; Museum of Science and Industry, Chicago, Director of Facilities; Morgan Stanley, Chicago, Vice President of Corporate Services; Chair, St. James Community Foundation, Chicago Heights, IL; President, Iron Oaks Foundation, Olympia Fields, IL.

Educational Background: Bachelor of Science, Business Administration, Portland State University. Certified Facility Manager and Fellow, International Facility Management Association.

Prior Governmental Experience: La Pine Rural Fire Protection District, Director, 2009-Present.

I am running for re-election for Director, Position 1, Board of Directors at La Pine Fire because - my career in financial management has already helped the District improve its financial situation. Additionally, I have developed plans to proactively deal with the District's future, and have worked diligently to improve the dialogue between Board members, Fire District personnel, and the public.

During my term I have helped the District by:

- Facilitated the third Board of Directors development of a five-year strategic plan.
- Prepared a long-term revenue and expense study
- Analyzed the District's emergency medical services program resulting in increased revenue and community involvement in addressing La Pine's need for 24/7 medical services.
- Developed the long-range plan to improve facilities including the 2021 addition of additional restrooms at two stations.
- Supported the addition of new dorms for students at station 103.
- Represented the District at various community events.
- Attended fire district and board of director conferences resulting in new policies and actions to strengthen the District.

My previous experience in managing multimillion dollar budgets has given me the background to help the Board and the Fire Chief move the District forward in a financially responsible way.

With your vote I can continue to serve all of the Fire District's residents and guests through cost effective management of the Districts resources.

Vote for Jerry Hubbard!

(This information furnished by Gerald M. Hubbard.)

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La Pine Rural Fire Protection District Director, Position 1



**Robin Lannan
Adams**

Occupation: Retired physician

Occupational Background: Physician, The Corvallis Clinic, 1989-2017; Self-employed contract physician, 2017-2021

Educational Background: University of Vermont Residency, Internal Medicine; Oregon Health and Sciences University, MD; University of Oregon, BA, Biology

Prior Governmental Experience: None

EXPERIENCED

For most of my career I practiced Urgent Care Medicine, where I treated a wide range of illnesses and injuries, from minor to life-threatening. I made decisions regarding patient transport to the hospital on a daily basis.

- Almost 30 years practicing medicine at The Corvallis Clinic, the largest multi-specialty clinic in the mid-Willamette Valley, with nearly 700 employees.
- Served on the Clinic's Board of Directors and the Corvallis Clinic Foundation Board. We drew patients from throughout the mid-Willamette Valley, from rural areas to small cities.

GROWING MEDICAL SERVICE NEEDS

No one on the Fire District Board has a medical background to speak to the issues of medical care and billing the department currently faces.

- 80% of La Pine Fire Department calls are for medical issues.
- 57% of the more than 1800 EMS calls require patient transport to the hospital in Bend.
- The Fire District has struggled with how to pay for those transports, resulting in conflicts with local providers over need for service.
- The focus of the Board has been to balance the budget, but it has lost sight of the District's primary mission of providing service to its residents. We must do both.

NEED TO REMAIN REVENUE-BALANCED WITHOUT COMPROMISING CARE

I believe we can turn a source of revenue loss into a positive revenue source. I can help the District find effective solutions to its financial issues while continuing to provide the excellent emergency medical services our residents deserve.

- Improve documentation and coding for improved reimbursement.
- Review fee structure to maximize reimbursement.
- Plan for continued growth of medical services in the future.

The Board needs a voice who can speak to medical issues. I can provide that voice.

Endorsed by Daniel Lee Richer, La Pine Mayor.

(This information furnished by Robin Lannan Adams.)

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La Pine Rural Fire Protection District Director, Position 2



**Doug
Cox**

Occupation: Retired

Occupational Background: Over 40 years as a mechanic on aircraft, heavy equipment, vehicles and watercraft; successful small business owner – auto and truck repair shop;

parts supply; Fire District Support Services Officer; Volunteer Firefighter/EMT.

Educational Background: Graduated from Corvallis High School and attended Oregon State university for 3 years majoring in Mechanical Engineering. Attended Central Oregon Community College – Fire Science.

Prior Governmental Experience: Served in the US Army 2nd/17th Air Cavalry attached to the 101st Airborne – Recipient of Bronze Star, Army Commendation, and three Air Medals with Valor; La Pine Volunteer Firefighter/EMT – Recipient Medal of Valor – Awbrey Hall Fire; La Pine Rural Fire District Board of Directors 1993-2001; 2005 – Present; President 2010 -Present.

Your fire district board focuses on managing the district in a professional and business-like manner working in partnership with our district staff. Meetings and processes are transparent and open to the public. As a board we encourage independent views and thinking during deliberations but act as one once a decision has been made. Your district board has prioritized essential district services and related efforts to assure maximum efficiency in meeting the district's life and property protection mission. The board tracks every penny of taxpayers' funds and expenditures which you have entrusted us with. The fire district board has put together a long range strategic plan as well as revenue and expenditure projections to ensure district operations and facilities remain sustainable. The district is debt free and without any tax rate increases for over 20 years. Your fire district board has worked hard in being proactive with policies that provide a successful environment for our firefighters and paramedics to serve you with the best of care.

I enjoy serving with my fellow volunteer board members and working with our district staff to provide you with the best possible fire and paramedic services in an effective, efficient, and thoughtful manner. I would be honored to continue to serve another term with your vote.

(This information furnished by Douglas A. Cox.)

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La Pine Rural Fire Protection District Director, Position 2



**Rex
Lesueur**

Occupation: Insurance Professional

Occupational Background: 1979 to 1990 Insurance Professional New York, New York; 1990 to 2021 Owner of Bancorp Insurance La Pine Oregon; 2021

Agent Bancorp Insurance

Educational Background: College of Insurance (New York), BS Business with Insurance minor

Prior Governmental Experience: Budget Committee La Pine Park and Recreation

Neighbors,

The La Pine Rural Fire Protection District (the "District") is an important part of our community and this community is important to me and my family. My wife and I raised our family here and built our business here. I want the highest level of fire protection and emergency medical services for residents of the south county area.

The District provides emergency life-saving medical and ambulance and fire protection for our lives and our homes. The District is challenged by explosive growth. These challenges require an experienced board working with paid staff to guide the future of the District as it grows and changes to meet the ever-changing requirements of our community.

MY EXPERIENCE

As part of my business career, I have insured with over 30 Special Districts. I understand that Special Districts are single purpose entities and how they function.

During my 30 years as owner of Bancorp Insurance, I took the agency from a 3 person business to 13 employees. I did this by building a team of highly motivated seasoned professionals. I have also served on several boards, listed below:

- La Pine Industrial Park Group 1995 to 2015
- Sunriver La Pine Economic Development Council 2015 to Present
- La Pine Chamber of commerce 2001 to Present; President 2018 to 2019
- La Pine Park and Recreation Budget Committee 2002 to Present

With my business experience, my non-profit board experience, and Special District experience, I am determined to help the District chart a safe and healthy course for our community.

More information at rexlesueur.com

(This information furnished by Rex Lesueur.)

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**Redmond Fire and Rescue
Director, Position 2**



**Ken
Kerfoot**

Occupation: Retired

Occupational Background: Police Officer, City of Redmond, OR 1973-2000; Reserve Police Officer, City of Redmond, OR 1971-73; Volunteer Firefighter/EMT, City of Redmond, OR

1986-2005; U.S. Forest Service, Fire Control 1970-73; United States Coast Guard, 1966-70

Educational Background: Central Oregon Community College, AA degree, Criminal Justice; Redmond High School, graduated 1964

Prior Governmental Experience: Redmond Fire and Rescue Board of Directors 2017-2021

The taxpayers in the Redmond Fire District deserve the best representation they can have on the Board of Directors. My public service as a volunteer firefighter/EMT for 19 years prepared me well to serve on the Fire Board. A strong understanding of the fire district's needs is imperative for smooth district operations. A healthy fire agency can help maintain a healthy community.

The Fire District has been fiscally responsible and honest with its taxpayers. I will make sure that practice continues in serving another term on the Board. I will appreciate your vote to keep serving the citizens of the Redmond Fire District.

(This information furnished by Kenneth R. Kerfoot.)

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**Redmond Fire and Rescue
Director, Position 5**



**Jessica
Meyer**

Occupation: Homemaker

Occupational Background: Public Safety Dispatcher/Telecommunicator, Deschutes County 9-1-1; Fire & Life Safety Specialist, Redmond Fire & Rescue; Firefighter/Paramedic, Redmond Fire & Rescue.

Educational Background: Central Oregon Community College, AAS Degree in Structural Fire Science and AAS Degree in Emergency Medical Services.

Prior Governmental Experience: None.

About Jessica: I was born and raised in Oregon and have been a Redmond resident for the past 21 years. I love Central Oregon and enjoy being involved in our community.

I have been a stay-at-home mom for the past six years. We are an active family, that loves mountain biking, skiing and running the trails. I have been very involved with my son's school and sports. Before being a stay-at-home mom, I spent over 10 years in emergency services. From my experience working for Deschutes County 9-1-1 and Redmond Fire & Rescue, I learned to work closely with other fire agencies and city departments. I believe knowing the importance of team work is one of many valuable skills I will bring to the board.

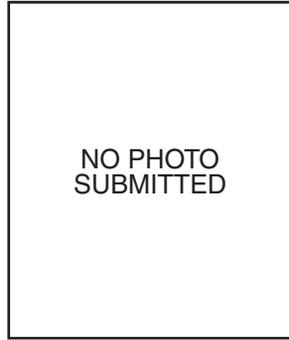
With my training and experience, this is a perfect fit and I look forward to working with the other board members and our fire department. It would be an honor to represent our community and help ensure our tax dollars are well spent.

Please vote for me, Jessica Meyer, for Redmond Fire & Rescue Board of Directors position #5.

(This information furnished by Jessica Meyer.)

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**Redmond Area Park and Recreation District
Director, Position 1**



**Matthew
Gilman**

Occupation: Real Estate Agent

Occupational Background: Former full-time swimming coach (1998 - 2003); current masters team coach

Educational Background: MBA - University of Indiana

(2005); BA - Columbia University (1998)

Prior Governmental Experience: RAPRD Board Member (2017 - current)

Having served on the board of RAPRD for the last four years and also working as a real estate agent in the region, I have experienced first hand both the growth of the Redmond area and also the lack of facilities and programming options for our deserving citizens. It is my goal to help push the RAPRD organization forward with plans to successfully build a new facility that would put Redmond in a proper position to best serve our present community. The district's pool was built in 1979, when the city was 1/6 of its current size. That and our current Activity Center, which loses its lease by the end of 2021, require RAPRD to make immediate changes to properly address the needs of the people, of EVERY age, in our rapidly growing community.

As we plan for the future, it is imperative that we have a proper team in place that can fairly represent the needs of our community. I love speaking with the public and do so daily. As a real estate agent, a parent, and sports participant and enthusiast, I speak with long-term residents as well as people moving in and out of the area every day.

My goals for RAPRD for next term are:

1. Overhaul the technology side of RAPRD to allow for easier sign ups, organization and membership options
2. To put in place a plan for a new Activity Center that offers value to all district residents
3. To continue to push RAPRD staff to innovate, improve and inspire people of all ages in our community with an array of healthy lifestyle programming choices
4. To listen to and communicate the needs of our citizens to the RAPRD staff

(This information furnished by Matthew Gilman.)

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**Redmond Area Park and Recreation District
Director, Position 1**



**Jon
Golden**

Occupation: Printing Press Operator

Occupational Background: Construction and Manufacturing

Educational Background: Mountain View High School graduate and US Army

Prior Governmental Experience: none

I am Jon Golden, and I need your vote for Redmond area Parks and Recreation District Position One. I am a parent raising my children here and, just like you, want a safe place for our families and children to enjoy Redmond's great outdoors. My promise to the citizens of Redmond is to do whatever is needed to protect our family values by keeping our parks clean, safe, and beautiful. I also promise to be frugal with your tax dollars and maintain your trust as a good manager of Redmond's special places.

I would be honored to receive your vote!

(This information furnished by Jon Golden.)

The above information has not been verified for accuracy by the county.

**Redmond Area Park and Recreation District
Director, Position 2**



**Lena
Berry**

Occupation: Reiki Provider@ St Charles Cancer Center's Integrative Therapies; Coordinator for Redmond's Popup Kitchen Collective

Occupational Background: Vern Patrick Elementary Parent

Teacher Club (PTC) President, 2018-2019; Vern Patrick Elementary Parent Teacher Club (PTC) Vice President, 2015-2018

Educational Background: El Molino High School; Diploma, 1999.

Prior Governmental Experience: None

My name is Lena Berry and I would appreciate your vote for the 2nd position of the Redmond Area Parks & Recreation Board of Directors. I am a Reiki provider with the St. Charles Cancer Center Integrative Therapies in Redmond. You may also recognize me as one of the grassroots organizers of the Sunday Popup Picnics for our houseless community.

I served on the Vern Patrick Elementary School Parent Teacher Club from 2015 to 2019, where I organized fundraisers & events, as well as coordinated assemblies, the Box Tops for Education program, and volunteered with the Running Club.

It is my goal to continue to serve our community as a Board Director for RAPRD. It is my hope to help coordinate funding for new and upgraded facilities which meet the needs of our growing and diverse community. It is also my intention to coordinate and support Parks & Recs community events and programs which will bring enrichment, joy, and opportunities for our community spirit and fellowship to grow together as we move forward and create the future of our beloved community.

(This information furnished by Lena N. Berry.)

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**Redmond Area Park and Recreation District
Director, Position 2**



**Mercedes
Cook-Bostick**

Occupation: Bookkeeper-Redmond High School

Occupational Background: Receptionist- Redmond High School

Educational Background:

Culver High School- High School Graduate 2004; Linn-Benton Community College- RN Seeking; Oregon State University- Health and Human Performance

Prior Governmental Experience: None

Hello, my name is Mercedes Cook-Bostick and as a Native Central Oregonian I am excited to bring my ideas to the Position of Director #2 with the Redmond Area Park and Recreation District. As an involved member of the community I can help bring new ideas from community members that can help make a difference. I was asked to run for the Position of Director #2 on behalf of current Board Members because they saw something in me when I helped solve an issue as a concerned parent. I have been able to voice some changes with current events as a member of the public. I also feel that we should come together as a community to help meet the necessary wants and needs. I am ready to help get more youth involved with the Park and Rec. I know a lot of community members go to neighboring towns because we do not have a lot of options available here. We should not have to lose you because we cannot offer certain programs here. As an involved family in this community, I am here to stay and I am ready to help meet your needs with Redmond Area Park and Recreation. I can't wait to meet you

(This information furnished by Mercedes Cook-Bostick.)

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**Redmond Area Park and Recreation District
Director, Position 2**



**Jeremiah
Pedersen**

Occupation: Loan Officer in the Residential Real Estate Industry Paid

Occupational Background: Former Insurance Agent Paid

Educational Background: I went to Elementary, Jr. High,

and High school here in Redmond. Moved away and finished school out of state. I went to college to be a PE Teacher for Special Ed children. I changed my career and never entered that field, but my passion for youth sports is high!

Prior Governmental Experience: No prior Government experience.

I'm running for Redmond Area Parks & Recs District Position #2.

I was born and raised right here in Redmond and have played on these parks growing up. I have seen some of my favorite parks get upgraded and some go away forever due to a growing and changing community.

I'm seeking this position because there's a need in the community and it's about time I step up to help! Going forward, I want to see the Parks and Recs District continue to serve our community to its fullest and best extent as well as operating within the budget. I have a passion for youth sports and want to see these programs flourish!

Please consider me to represent your voice for the Redmond Area Parks and Recs district.

(This information furnished by Jeremiah Pedersen.)

The above information has not been verified for accuracy by the county.

**Redmond Area Park and Recreation District
Director, Position 3**



**Kevin L
Scoggin**

Occupation: Air Traffic Controller, Redmond, OR

Occupational Background: United States Air Force Non-Commissioned Officer.

Educational Background: Community College of the Air

Force – Associates in Airway Sciences (AAS); Community College of the Air Force – Associates in Avionics Sciences (AAS); Portland State University – 2 years; Roosevelt High School, Portland, OR - Diploma

Prior Governmental Experience: None

As a resident of 21 years in Redmond and an Air Force Veteran, I have benefited from the investments made by the Redmond Area Parks and Recreation District (RAPRD). This position gives me an opportunity to give back to my community and serve on the RAPRD board.

Our city continues to grow. That makes it important to spend taxpayer's dollars on projects that will benefit all of us now and in the future. I am committed to maintaining current facilities and programs as well as ensuring that our parks are safe and enjoyable for all. I understand how important it is to listen objectively, to consider all points of view, and to deliver a solution that is best for the whole community.

I appreciate your vote of confidences as your next Redmond Area Parks and Recreation District Board Member.

(This information furnished by Kevin L Scoggin.)

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**Redmond School District 2J
Director, Position 1**



**Shawn
Hartfield**

Occupation: Central Oregon Community College; Instructor of Business Courses

Occupational Background: Human Resource Manager; Insurance Sales Consultant

Educational Background:

Master of Science Degree in Health Care Administration: St. Mary's College of California; Bachelor of Science Degree in Business Administration Finance: California State University, Fresno

Prior Governmental Experience: Current School Board Director; Redmond School District 2J; Elected May 2017; School Board Director, Redmond School District 2J; Appointed October 2015

As a Mother of three children who are students in Redmond School District, I believe it is my duty to be an active participant in their educational experience. I was appointed to the Redmond School Board in October of 2015 and elected in 2017. Since that time, I have been a member of the Budget Committee, the Budget Task Force, the Facilities Task Force, the Collective Bargaining Team and the Policy Committee. I also serve as the Treasurer for the Sage Elementary PTC.

Last year, the Board undertook the process of recruiting and hiring a new Superintendent. Then, COVID-19 hit and we had to see our schools close their doors to our children. I have worked diligently to voice the concerns of our parents in Redmond School District through the pandemic and I will continue to support our children's wellbeing and right to an in-person education going forward.

As tax payers, we deserve to have the best representation from those candidates that are vested in the School District. I have three children with very different needs and I understand the complexity of providing a quality education to all children. I promise to listen, use fair judgement and consider our children's best interests first before making any decision.

Thank you for allowing me to represent you and our children.

Endorsed by George Endicott, Redmond Mayor, Michael D. McIntosh, Rick Bailey and Travis Bennett Redmond School Board member, AIC Insurance Agency principal/Agent

(This information furnished by Shawn Hartfield.)

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**Redmond School District 2J
Director, Position 1**



**Stephanie
Hunter**

Occupation: Behavior Professional; Opportunity Foundation

Occupational Background: Parent Trainer; Program Director; Skills Trainer

Educational Background:

Associate of Arts Central Oregon Community College; Human Development and Family Sciences Program OSU-Cascades

Prior Governmental Experience: Oregon Autism Commission Children's Services Subcommittee; The Arc Oregon Board; Central Oregon Disability Support Network Board; Redmond School District Equity Task Force

Advocate for Excellence

I am an advocate for youth and families having a voice in our community and educators having the necessary tools and support to nurture the excellence of every student. My life's work is ensuring positive futures for all children.

As a Behavior Professional supporting families of youth that experience disability and mental health needs, I **work with families** to prevent and respond to challenging behavior and crisis. I interact with educators, specialists, and staff frequently to **collaborate** on shared goals between home and school. I am an **advocate for educators** having the support they need as well as understanding the family experience. My expertise serving as a bridge between home and school will bring a **new perspective to the school board**.

Public Schools are a Safety Net for Children

As a child, I needed the foundation of schools. I was in foster care and had child protective services involvement. I credit my teachers that created opportunities that gave me a positive identity. Throughout my schooling I had champions that made a bright future possible.

I bring **strong community networking skills** to leverage community partnerships that will enhance academic and social success. I provide perspective on how to engage our most vulnerable students. I support robust options for **students to be career-ready** after graduation.

As a parent and foster parent of students in the district, I am committed to ensure Redmond Schools are equitable, inclusive, safe, and welcoming for students, families, and educators.

Endorsements include:

Clifford B. Evelyn Sr - Redmond City Councilor

Erin Taylor, educator and parent

James Cook Community Advocate

Jenny McKenzie Executive Director REACH Redmond

HunterForSchools.com

(This information furnished by Stephanie Hunter.)

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**Redmond School District 2J
Director, Position 2**



**Lacey J
Butts**

Occupation: Self-employed;
Stay At Home Mom

Occupational Background:
Certified Veterinary Technician
at Cinder Rock Veterinary Clinic;
Teacher at Lil' Rascals Daycare/
Preschool; Secretary for Colvin

Oil Company & American Energy

Educational Background: Grants Pass High School, High School
Diploma; Central Oregon Community College, Associates Degree
in Veterinary Technology

Prior Governmental Experience: None

As a mother and step-mother of three children, I am very passionate about the role education plays in our children's lives. After working in early-child development, I believe education is the front line for our children and can help lay the foundation to what path they take in life. Our children need to be made a priority during these challenging times, and getting back to in-person education is essential. I encourage all parents to get involved in the decisions being made within the schools, as well as understand their rights in their child's education. Representing the voices of our local community will be my honor. Thank you for your support.

(This information furnished by Lacey J. Butts.)

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**Redmond School District 2J
Director, Position 2**



**Michelle R
Salinas**

Occupation: Financial Center
Assistant Manager; Bank of
America

Occupational Background:
Office Assistant; Darren Silver
and Associates

Educational Background: Redmond High School

Prior Governmental Experience: YES! For RSD kids PAC 2020;
Co-Chair and Business Manager

As a parent of two young children in the Redmond School District, I want my voice to be heard. I believe this position will allow me to make a difference in my community. I look forward to working with teachers and other parents to ensure our children's success.

I am a Redmond High School graduate. I also served as Co-Chair and business manager on the YES! For RSD kids PAC 2020. Last fall that bond measure was successfully passed, giving the Redmond School District millions of dollars. I also have an extensive financial background, including budgeting and auditing. Professionally, I am a team leader with a focus in assisting people with their career growth.

Our children's education is more important than ever. We need to make up for lost time while being sensitive to our children's emotional health. With my children just beginning their academic career, I have a passion to do all I can to ensure them a strong start. Redmond is growing rapidly, and we need to invest in our youth to ensure our community is cared for for generations to come.

In closing, I believe that with my personal and educational accomplishments I would be a strong candidate for this position. It is vital that the parents and guardians of the Redmond School District have a voice and I would be grateful to be that voice for our community. I would appreciate your consideration for the position of Redmond School District Board Member.

(This information furnished by Michelle R Salinas.)

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**Redmond School District 2J
Director, Position 2**



**Matthew Michael
Summers**

Occupation: 3rd generation, Summers Flooring; Musician, Precious Byrd / High Street

Occupational Background: Father of Four Daughters in RSD; Community Fund Raiser; Rotarian; Community Transforming Events with Nick Vujicic;

Educational Background: Mountain View; NNU

Prior Governmental Experience: None

In spite of the challenges of 2020 I believe there is a great future ahead!

I had an incredible experience growing up in Central Oregon Schools!

As a student I benefited from great teachers, the support of our community and high levels of excellence in the schools. I enjoyed a wealth of opportunity to develop my own gifts and talents and I want to provide that same joy of learning for my 4 daughters in Redmond.

Our schools have the opportunity to draw out and develop who are children are created to be.

They support our parents in raising citizens of excellence for the future. Our schools in Redmond can provide a strong vision for our students that empowers them for the future and develops their characters to handle everything that comes their way. With a difficult year in our past we now have the opportunity to move our children into a hopeful future they deserve. Our schools can encourage and empower our children to be the creative force in solving their own and society's problems. I believe in our children and in opening doors for their future.

My goal is to:

- Increase programs for our students to develop a hopeful future
- Increase parent involvement in providing feedback to the Board
- Increase transparency for parents in understanding the experience of their students
- Increase community support and appreciation for our schools

We've got work to do! After 2020 we have an incredible opportunity to not only rebuild, but to develop what's really best for our kids. I look forward to hearing ideas and solutions from all voices in our community to better our schools, and serving our community on the Redmond School Board.

See Facebook for endorsements:

www.facebook.com/michael.summers.71404976

(This information furnished by Michael Summers.)

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**Redmond School District 2J
Director, Position 2**



**Rachel M
Visinoni**

Occupation: Wife, Mother, Office Assistant

Occupational Background: Office Assistant, and previously a Preschool Movement teacher.

Educational Background:

Degree in Performing Arts from Pacific Conservatory of Performing Arts

Prior Governmental Experience: None

I am a mother with a kiddo currently in Kindergarten at Tom McCall. I am running for this position on the school board in the hopes of bringing a fresh perspective on some of the regulations currently being instituted in our schools.

Among others I wish to address specifically: 1) Working towards allowing our kids, particularly the youngest grades, to take off their masks while outdoors as it has been deemed safe by several scientific studies that the youngest kids are not, on the whole, transmitters of the virus, and that there is next to no transfer of the COVID19 virus outdoors.

2) Reducing the standard of social distancing from the previously accepted six feet apart, to three feet apart per the most recently published studies for both students and adult staff (Journal of Clinical Infectious Diseases published 3/13/21, and The Lancet published 6/2020), thus allowing more kids to return to school in person on a full time basis. An outcome so many parents have fought so valiantly to achieve.

3) Returning final say over each child's health decisions to the parents rather than having the sole final decision being made by a school nurse.

If any of these things sound like the kinds of changes you'd also like to see in our schools here in Deschutes County, then I respectfully ask for your vote for this seat.

(This information furnished by Rachel M Visinoni.)

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Redmond School District 2J Director, Position 3



Jill Cummings

Occupation: Vice President, Market Development Officer for Summit Bank

Occupational Background: Eighteen years in the financial industry. Advisory Board Member for Rimrock Trails Treatment

Services; Junior Achievement of Central Oregon Student Instructor; FAN Supporter; Redmond Executive Association Member; Redmond Spirit Foundation Supporter; Wake the World Volunteer; Past Redmond Chamber of Commerce Executive Board Member; Past Redmond Athletics Committee Co-Chair; Cascade Business News 2019 Accomplished Under 40 Recipient.

Educational Background: Westwood College of Technology, Sisters High School

Prior Governmental Experience: None

As a mother of two Redmond School District students, I am passionate about the **student experience, a quality and equitable education, fiscal accountability and prudent policy.**

A Central Oregon native and respected leader in the Redmond community, I have successfully led teams and developed business growth in the local banking industry since 2002. With my innate sense of optimism, I am a champion of student achievement in public schools. I believe that an engaged, effective and efficient school district board plays a vital role in every student's success.

Levelheaded, collaborative and a connector, I will bring leadership, financial expertise, advocacy and strategic problem solving to promote successful board governance. I will ask questions to gain the facts and knowledge needed to reach thorough and educated board decisions. I will advocate and support district leadership for the return of students to in-person instruction and extracurricular activities. I will actively encourage and seek opportunities to engage with the community, school administration and stakeholders. My goal is to make sure their needs and desires are brought to life successfully, while continuing to hold the district to measurable standards.

We Endorse Jill!

Michael McIntosh, former Superintendent

Bev Clarno, former Secretary of State

Hayden Watson

Ginny McPherson, former Redmond City Councilor

Camden King, former City Councilor

Amber Wilson, Umpqua Bank Home Lending

Angela Boothroyd

Eric Sande

Bill Braly

Matt and Lana Wittmer

Johanna and Vince Downs, Owner Operators of Redmond

Grocery Outlet

John and Michelle Duff

Julie and Brian Leutschaff

(This information furnished by Jill Cummings.)

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Redmond School District 2J Director, Position 3



Lavon Medlock

Occupation: Health care administrator, SCHS

Occupational Background: Small business owner, Face to Face Day Spa; Director, Talent Development, Advisory Board Company

Educational Background: OHSU, Masters of Science, Health-care Management (*expected June 2021*); University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Bachelors of Science, Public Health

Prior Governmental Experience: Redmond School District Equity Task Force

Education is a value my parents instilled in me from a young age. For me, it was the pivot away from a future defined by race, gender and socio-economic status toward a life of endless possibility. I want to help create that same opportunity for the children of our community by bringing to the table my lived experience.

School boards play an important role in creating a safe, compassionate and equitable learning environment for our students. As a parent of two bi-racial children in the Redmond School District, I appreciate how board decisions can directly impact families. I want every student to feel they belong and can learn and develop interests to pursue post-graduation.

Having weathered 2020, our community needs strong school board members who are experienced leaders capable of making well-informed decisions while prioritizing the needs of our students, teachers and staff. I am that candidate as demonstrated by both my personal and professional track record.

As a resident of Redmond since 2005, I have served on the boards of Start Here! Preschool, a parent-run cooperative, and REACH!, a youth enrichment program serving the needs of before and after school care. Professionally, I have had a corporate career, owned a small business, and been a full time stay at home mom before returning to the employed workforce. Each of those experiences informs my ability to represent the diverse needs of families in our community.

I am ready to take on the significant responsibility of setting direction for the Redmond School District and would greatly appreciate your vote.

More information at: www.Lavonforschools.com

(This information furnished by Lavon Medlock.)

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**Redmond School District 2J
Director, Position 3**



**Ron
Osmundson**

Occupation: Child Care Provider - Owner; Assistant Football Coach - Ridgeview High School

Occupational Background: N/A

Educational Background:

Oregon Institute of Technology - Communications

Prior Governmental Experience: Redmond Area Urban Planning Commission; Redmond Budget Committee; Vice-Chair - Redmond Housing and Community Development Committee; Board Member - Central Oregon Intergovernmental Council

I Support Students and Teachers

I was inspired to serve our community on the Redmond School Board after listening to countless students **AND** teachers voice their concerns during the pandemic. It is evident to me we can do much more to encourage and support their success. We can make a positive difference in Redmond schools and community by representing the values of Redmond parents and focusing on **what matters most**.

Quality Academic Education Is The Main Issue

I believe **ALL** children are entitled to quality education. Academic education and student success is job #1 for public education. Children, our future leaders, must be taught the best possible skills to be successful and self-reliant citizens. Students need to have an academic curriculum that is challenging them to meet the highest standards of which they are capable. Parents have the right to be involved as a partner in their child's education.

Schools Serve The Community, Not Special Interests

I am committed to obtaining and adhering to the quality curriculum needs of the students and administrators while protecting against special interest programs and curricula that do not echo the shared values of all families in the Redmond community. I support the continued use of school facilities for community activities such as music, athletics, and after-school programs. As a school board member, I will focus on healthy schools during the transition back into full-time, in-person learning.

Use Your Tax Dollars Wisely

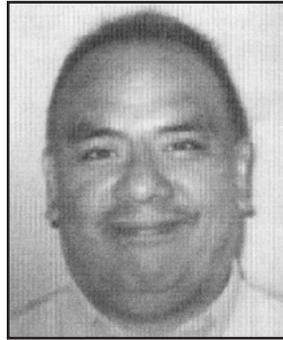
With my experience on the Redmond Budget Committee and serving as on Redmond Area Urban Planning Commission, I bring a background in financial analysis and spending audit. I will continue to endeavor to reduce wasteful spending, increase efficiency, and ensure financial transparency.

www.RonOsmundson.com

(This information furnished by Ron Osmundson.)

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**Redmond School District 2J
Director, Position 4**



**Oscar
Gonzalez**

Occupation: Latino Community Association, Central OR, Family Empowerment Programs Manager

Occupational Background: Lane ESD, Programs Manager (2014-2015); Lane Community

College, Academic Advisor (2012-2014); Chemeketa Community College, Academic Advisor (2011-2012); Lone Star Community College, Academic Advisor (2008-2010); Houston Community College, Academic Advisor (2008-2010); KIPP Houston, Parent and Community Advocate (2007-2009); Strake Jesuit College Preparatory, Guidance Counselor (2005-2007); KIPP Academy, Student and Family Support Specialist (1998-2005)

Educational Background: Pius X Catholic High School Downey, CA (1974-1978); Loyola Marymount University, Los Angeles, CA (1978-1982) S.S. Economics; University of La Verne, College of Law, La Verne, CA (1984-1985); University of Houston, Graduate School of Social Work (1994-1996)

Prior Governmental Experience: None

Since relocating to Oregon in 2011, I have had the distinguished good fortune in continuing to serve student educational needs in K-12, community college, and non-profit settings. For most of my professional life, I have dedicated myself to serving the needs of mostly disadvantaged and historically marginalized students. As a dedicated public servant, I will holistically dedicate my work on behalf of our student-youth who aspire for a "better tomorrow" via academic achievement. As a future Redmond School Board member, I look forward to applying my knowledge and skill set to further the work that the school district has already begun (ex. minimizing the educational gaps found among our growing diverse student population), as well as seek innovative strategies to re-engage many of our "MIA" student-youth and help them to recoup any "lost learning" over the course of this past year. Drawing from an array of student success stories, master teachers, amazing school leaders, and reputable K-12 school programs (public, charter, parochial) I hope to identify, quantify, and further develop respective "best practices" and create a template for an ideal learning environment for fill children and youth. Creating a fulfilling and intellectually stimulating K-12 educational experience will propel our student-youth to become "life-time learners" and critical-analytical thinkers.

(This information furnished by Oscar J. Gonzalez.)

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**Redmond School District 2J
Director, Position 4**



**Carmen
Lawson**

Occupation: Carmen Lawson is currently employed by Jefferson County School District 509j.

Occupational Background: Lead kindergarten teacher at Madras Elementary; Previous experience includes working as

an educational assistant on two elementary school campuses in Redmond

Educational Background: Oregon State University in 2002 with a Bachelors of Science in Human Development and Family Sciences with a focus in Early Childhood Development.; Masters of Education from Oregon State University-Cascades in 2019.; Endorsement in English as a Second Language.

Prior Governmental Experience: City of Grants Pass, OR: Urban Tree Advisory; City of Grants Pass, OR: The Arts and Culture Advisory Committee

Carmen Lawson has been a member of the Redmond community for five years. While serving the Redmond and Madras community as an educator, she has been able to practice what she stands for which is; Inclusive Excellence in supporting all students. She believes that now more than ever community members, educators, and parents/guardians need to intentionally set up systems and supports that will benefit ALL students of the Redmond School District. Additionally, Carmen Lawson strategically sets up her classroom and educational practices to enrich and support students of all Races, cultures, and sexual orientation.

Along with being an ally for all members of our community, Carmen Lawson is also an advocate and proponent for arts in the schools. Strengthening community partnerships and supporting arts in the classroom, especially music education, will help students be engaged in learning and excited to attend school through their high school graduation date.

Carmen Lawson will bring the lens of an educator and a parent to the Redmond School Board. As an educator she has first hand understanding of the current challenges in the classroom during and following Comprehensive Distance Learning. As a mother of three children, she directly feels the layers of academic struggles as she listens to the narrative of life around her kitchen table, which includes her 4th grader, 7th grader, and Sophomore benefiting from our RSD schools.

(This information furnished by Carmen Lawson.)

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**Redmond School District 2J
Director, Position 4**



**Keri
Lopez**

Occupation: Rogue Builders, LLC

Occupational Background: Wells Fargo Advisors- Series 7/66 Registered Sales Assistant/Operations Manager

Educational Background: Oregon State University- Cascades Bachelor of Science, General Agriculture; Oregon State University- Certificate of Applied Ethics; Hood River Valley High- Diploma

Prior Governmental Experience: Redmond Sports Federation (501c3) – Board Member

My name is Keri Lopez, I am a native Oregonian. I moved to Redmond in 2000 to attend OSU-Cascades and testified before the Oregon State Legislature in support of the campus as a student representative. I am a strong believer in the power of education and was the first woman in my family to earn a college degree. I am no stranger to overcoming adversity or socio-economic obstacles. After graduating from Oregon State University, I worked in investment banking for Wells Fargo Advisors. I held Series 7/66 licenses and led a team of stockbrokers and sales assistants through multiple acquisitions, creating policies and procedures and adapting to change in a highly regulated environment. In 2011 my husband started Rouge Builders, LLC. As a small business, we employ four people building custom homes throughout Central Oregon.

I believe in hard work and independent thought and possess the critical thinking ability that a position on the Redmond School Board requires. As a parent of two school age children, I have a vested interest in the present and future policies the RSD Board establishes and supports. These policies directly impact our children, their families and our community. It is important to me that both parent and student perspective is represented on the RSD Board. I am dedicated to the research and time commitment it takes to fully and transparently listen to, and represent, the many voices of the Redmond community.

I welcome the chance to serve the community of Redmond and look forward to the challenge of improving the quality of education and opportunity for all students, present and future.

Please vote Keri Lopez- Redmond School District Board Position #4.

(This information furnished by Keri Lopez.)

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Redmond School District 2J Director, Position 4



Robert E Perry

Occupation: Retired, Part-Time Consultant

Occupational Background: 40 year business career; Retired from Gillette Company as Director of Marketing.

Educational Background:

Drew University, B.A. degree (Major: Political Science, Minor: Economics) and London School of Economics, England (Research in Urban Planning)

Prior Governmental Experience: Director Redmond School Board (2011-2015); Precinct Committee Person; Chair of Deschutes County Republicans

Retired but remains active in Civic Education programs benefiting the community. Believes School Board members should be more in tune with needs of Taxpaying Public.

Some of Bob's Ideas for Educational Improvement:

- Need to better prepare students for "real world" and competitive world economy
- Need more emphasis on practical, marketable skills (including Vocational Education)
- Most important factors in Education are: 1) quality classroom teachers and 2) supportive parents
- Need to stress Civics curriculum to prepare graduates to become involved, knowledgeable citizens

Share your ideas with Bob: ograpevine@gmail.com

My candidacy is endorsed by: George Endicott, Redmond Mayor and Patti Adair, Deschutes County Commissioner

(This information furnished by Robert E. Perry.)

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**Sisters-Camp Sherman Rural Fire
Protection District, Director, Position 1**



**Kristie
Miller**

Occupation: Retired

Occupational Background: 35+ years with the US Forest Service; 2 years – Director, Sisters-Camp Sherman Rural Fire Protection District

Educational Background:

Oregon State University; BS, Forest Management; Blue Mountain Community College; AA, Liberal Arts; Wasco County Union High School, Diploma

Prior Governmental Experience: 35+ years with the US Forest Service in Oregon and Washington. Work included forest management, leadership, and environmental analysis. 12 years as District Ranger in two different locations. 2 years as Director for Sisters-Camp Sherman Rural Fire Protection District.

My years of working with the public in retail and as a federal employee taught me to treat people with respect. I also learned valuable communication skills in a helpful and cooperative manner.

As District Ranger I was responsible for communicating with my employees, people in the community, my co-workers, and elected officials. I worked with collaborative groups that taught me about respecting others' views, communication, and collaboration.

I was fortunate enough to manage through emergencies including major floods, wildfires, and personnel issues including death. What I learned in those emergencies was that those skills I learned throughout my life would take me where I could be successful in many situations. Being able to develop and enhance relationships before and during an emergency is a valuable skill. My communication skills, including communication, collaboration, and compassion have assisted me in being successful.

The last two years as a Director for Sisters-Camp Sherman Rural Fire Protection District have continued to help me successfully hone those skills.

(This information furnished by Kristie L. Miller.)

The above information has not been verified for accuracy by the county.

**Sisters-Camp Sherman Rural Fire
Protection District, Director, Position 2**



**Roger
White**

Occupation: Co-Owner of the Camp Sherman Store & Fly Shop

Occupational Background: Camp Sherman Store 1996 - current

Educational Background: McNary High School - Graduate 1975; USMC Communication / Electronics School - One Year 1976-77; Chemeketa Community College - One Year - business classes; Neon Art School -full term, Portland OR 1990

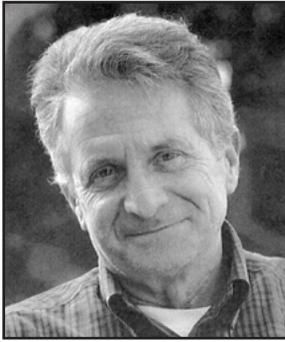
Prior Governmental Experience: School Board - Black Butte School - 1 term appointed ~ Camp Sherman, OR; School Board - Black Butte School - 2 terms elected; Sisters/Camp Sherman Fire Dist - partial term appointed, 1 term elected

Several years ago I was asked to consider to apply for an open board seat on the Sisters/Camp Sherman Fire District. I answered that I didn't know how to run a fire department. I was told that I needed no knowledge in that regard. The Chief would run the department. This was soon after Chief Johnson was hired to run the District. I considered the prospect of being a Board Member and happily applied. The Board's position is to oversee, create and develop District policy. After several months on the Board, an election was coming up and I applied for the Board position. I was elected and ever since, have been very satisfied with the operations of the Department. In fact, I am quite honored to be a Board Member. I don't think the Department could be run any better or have a better leader than Chief Johnson and the career and volunteer staff of this outstanding department. I ask for your vote for the position of Board Member so that I may continue to be a part of this amazing organization.

(This information furnished by Roger W. White.)

The above information has not been verified for accuracy by the county.

Sisters-Camp Sherman Rural Fire Protection District, Director, Position 3



Jack McGowan

Occupation: Retired

Occupational Background: Executive Director, 18 years, "SOLVE". Statewide non-profit organization founded by Gov. Tom McCall; Correspondent, KGW-TV, Portland; Aide to

Portland Mayor "Bud" Clark.

Educational Background: Graduate, Mater Christi High School; Attended Pace University; Pacific University, Honorary Doctorate

Prior Governmental Experience: Aide to Portland Mayor "Bud" Clark. Portfolio included Media Relations; Liaison to Business Community; Emergency Management.

For these past four years, it has been my honor and privilege to serve all of "Sisters Country" as Director of the Sisters Camp Sherman Rural Fire District. During this term, I have also been voted on by my fellow Directors to take on the added responsibility as Board Secretary/Treasurer for the Fire District. I have seen first hand, the wonderful professionalism and passion from the staff and volunteers who breathe life into the daily operation of this crucial resource that we all believe in and count upon.

I am a passionate believer in volunteerism and "servanthood". Everyone can do something to preserve and enhance this quality of Oregon life which we all hold so dear. Governor Tom McCall, the founder of the statewide non-profit SOLVE, of which my wife, Jan and I led for 18 years as Co-Directors made a statement which has been my guiding principle: "Heroes are not giant statues, framed against a red sky. They are people who say, 'This is my community, and it is my responsibility to make it better.'" I have put this ethic into practice with my past involvement as Board President for the Sisters Folk Festival, Oregon Public Broadcasting Board Member, and numerous other civic engagements, including being one of the founding members of the "Emergency Preparedness Campaign for Sisters".

I am once again asking you to a place your faith in me by extending my term to continue as a Director. It is my promise to you that I will continue to represent you to the best of my ability.

(This information furnished by Jack McGowan.)

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Sisters Park & Recreation District Director, Position 2



Molly Baumann

Occupation: Hoodoo Ski Area, Alpine Race Coach and a Ski Manufactory employee, seasonal; Sisters Outdoor Quilt Show, Administrative Assistant, seasonal; US Forest Service, Bend Fort Rock/Sisters Ranger Districts, Field Ranger, seasonal;

Occupational Background: Over 15 years of experience in Outdoor Recreation Management which includes Montana Fish, Wildlife and Parks, Bureau of Land Management, US Forest Service, River Management Society, City of Sisters Parks Advisory Board, and volunteer opportunities.

Educational Background: University of Montana, Missoula, MT, Bachelor of Science in Recreation Management, Natural Resources

Prior Governmental Experience: Presently on the City of Sisters Parks Advisory Board, and the SOAR Foundation to help secure funding for designated programs and projects benefiting the Sisters community, primarily through the Sisters Park & Recreation District.

I have committed myself, and my family, to be a part of the Sisters community. I am a mom of two young boys who thrive with the help of SPRD, as both boys attend(ed) preschool at SPRD. They also participated in soccer classes, basketball, and other activities. My family and I have volunteered for cleanup events, played on the Frisbee golf course, and enjoyed the pump track. SPRD plays an especially important role in our family and community, and helps everyone of all ages excel emotionally, physically, and/or mentally.

Being on the SOAR Foundation, I understand SPRD works hard to find funding for much needed programs, especially for our youth who are struggling right now. They need a place to gather, safely, and to find a common space to enjoy "normalcy".

As a board member my priorities would be to help bring a voice forward for kids in the community, focus on more programs to help families, ensure the growth of SPRD is focused on listening to the community and knowing what gaps need to be filled. I want to be the voice of the kid forgotten, the parent who is struggling, and the families that want more activities.

(This information furnished by Molly Baumann.)

The above information has not been verified for accuracy by the county.

Sisters Park & Recreation District Director, Position 3



**Jeffrey
Tryens**

Occupation: Retired

Occupational Background: New York City Mayor's Office of Operations - Deputy Director; Measures Matter Consulting - Principal; State of South Australia - Executive Director of

South Australia's Strategic Plan/Community Connection; Oregon Progress Board - Executive Director; Center for Policy Alternatives - Deputy Director; Urban Planning Aid - Co-Director

Educational Background: Drexel University - BS-Civil Engineering; Massachusetts Institute of Technology - Masters Civil Engineering; Harvard University - Masters Public Administration

Prior Governmental Experience: See "Occupational Background" above plus membership on: Sisters Park and Recreation District Board; (Sisters) City Parks Advisory Board; Sisters Camp Sherman Fire Department Budget Committee; Portland Parks Board; Oregon Governor's Advisory Committee on Drugs and Violent Crime; Oregon Committee on the Future of the Courts.

Since relocating to Sisters six years ago, I have had the opportunity to serve on five Central Oregon community boards. Without doubt the most rewarding (and challenging) has been membership on the SPRD board.

I am proud of what the board has accomplished in the past four years. First and foremost, we hired an excellent executive director who has stepped up to lead the organization through this pandemic. For the first time, we know just how much taxpayer subsidy goes into every program we offer. And we are doing a better job of listening to our constituents.

The board and staff are laser-focused on supporting the community in this time of need. Whether that means taking extraordinary measures to re-open pre-school, creating "Camp SPRD" to support middle-schoolers or lowering program costs, SPRD is there.

Clearly, SPRD is a force for good. If re-elected, I will devote my energies to strengthen three areas. First, continue to assure that our programs are giving taxpayers the most bang for their buck. Second, broaden the types of offerings for teens. Third, revitalize the recreation component of SPRD which has been virtually wiped out by the pandemic.

I would be honored to receive your vote.

(This information furnished by Jeffrey Tryens.)

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Sisters School District 6 Director, Position 1



**Jenica
Cogdill**

Occupation: Les Schwab Tire Centers Headquarters, Manager of Consumer Experience; Hoffman Academy, Advisory Board Member

Occupational Background: Various roles in Digital Com-

merce, Marketing Research & Consulting; City of Eugene Parks Planning Public Relations; Small business owner

Educational Background: Willamette University, MBA; University of Oregon, B.S. Journalism and Communications, Public Relations

Prior Governmental Experience: None

As an engaged community member and Sisters Elementary School parent, I've gotten to know many students across our District through fundraisers, athletics, dance, volunteering, church and beyond. I will work seamlessly with the other Board members, superintendent, and staff to ensure our students and our District continue to be successful and *Sisters Strong*.

Relevant Perspective: If elected, I would be only the second parent of a current student in the District and only the second woman serving on the five-member Board.

Equity at Every Level: Policies and budgets are determined at a district level but affect our students on an individual level. With experience facilitating focus groups and public input, I will always seek first to understand by gathering diverse viewpoints to find the best possible solutions.

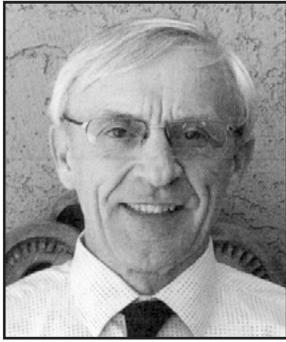
Accountability and Transparency: I am committed to judiciously allocating our tax dollars to preserve and improve the District's fiscal health and quality of education. The bond measure, if passed, will need careful oversight. After years of writing proposals for publicly funded and bond-funded projects, negotiating large contracts, and managing corporate budgets, I'm up to the challenge.

For additional information, please visit www.facebook.com/JenicaForSistersSchools.

(This information furnished by Jenica Cogdill.)

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Sisters School District 6 Director, Position 1



Rodney Cooper

Occupation: Substitute school teacher

Occupational Background: School teacher

Educational Background: Education B.S.

Prior Governmental Experience: Elmira School District Budget Committee

Rod Cooper for School Board Position #1

I am Rod Cooper and I am running for Sisters School Board, Position #1. I am a certified teacher in Oregon. I taught Elementary Education for 32 years and currently substitute teach elementary, middle and high school in our community.

I am concerned about the rate of graduation in Oregon and our district. Our schools have been shut-down for almost a year. Students were forced to use and adjust to a distance learning system. This was a challenge for both educators and students. My concerns are that some students will get behind in their studies, will give-up, and drop-out. This is my 3 - pronged plan if elected to the Sisters School Board. I will advocate for a complete re-opening of schools. I will spotlight on providing the best education that our children can get by having tutoring available to help those children that are behind in their studies. I will improve the present distance learning by having captivating lessons. I will be a proponent to have an honors program for those gifted learners. Students need to have first-rate means and resources for success in their education.

I have spent most of my adult life giving back to my community by serving on as Scout Master for troop 189 and completed Boy Scouts of America leadership training. I have coached men's and women's track and Cross Country, and Middle School boys' Basketball to round out my service to my community. Vote for Rodney Cooper for Sisters School Board position #1.

(This information furnished by Rodney G. Cooper.)

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Sisters School District 6 Director, Position 5



Edie Jones

Occupation: Author of Raising Kids With Love, Honor and Respect; Author of Walker's Wisdom; Freelance writer for the Nugget Newspaper, Sisters, OR

Occupational Background: Executive Director of Together

For Children; Parent Educator; Together For Children; Owner and Director of Camp Tamarack; Sisters, OR; Adult Education Director; Kentuckiana Girl Scout Council; Louisville, KY; Interim Fitness Director; YWCA; Louisville, KY; Preschool teacher; Louisville, KY; Department Head; Dance Department; Eastern Montana College; Billings, MT

Educational Background: Stadium High School; 12TH grade; Diploma; Washington State University; BA of Recreation with Dance Concentration; Oregon State University; MA of Adult Education

Prior Governmental Experience: Current Board Chair; Together For Children; Current Sisters School Board Director; Former Board member; Bend International School; Former Board member; Kentuckiana Girl Scout Council; KY; Former Board member; Western River Girl Scout Council: OR

I was appointed to my position on the Sisters School Board in early 2020 and have enjoyed being involved in the deliberations of the district. I believe very strongly in the importance of providing exemplary public education for the children of our community. This begins with providing public preschool starting at age four and continues until graduation requirements are fulfilled at grade 12. I feel our school district has managed the difficulties created by the Virus with diligent detail to safety, returning kids to in-person classrooms at every possible opportunity, and extraordinary hard work by the teachers and administrators. Working towards a 100% graduation rate is a commendable goal and needs to continue. The challenges of meeting the expected growth in the Sisters School District requires the passing of the Bond issue and the construction of a new elementary school which I heartily support. It would be an honor to continue to serve the Sisters community as a school board director.

(This information furnished by Edith Ann Jones.)

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