

School Board Candidate Questionnaire

Please provide your thoughts on the following questions. Since these questions will be considered by the Board in the appointment to fill the Board vacancy, these questions and your answers will be made public.

1. Do you have any children in the district and do you see that as a strength if you are appointed?

All of my children graduated from P&SD 1 YEAR!

I like that the P&SD comes together to help members in the community.

2. What do you like and dislike about the Pottsgrove School District?

I like the fact that a group of people give their valuable time to work toward a community service. I like that the teachers, staff work to help students succeed.

3. How much time (per week) do you have available to devote to this position?

I am willing to donate whatever time is necessary to achieve the goals of the Board.

4. Are there any evenings during the week where you will be unavailable to meet?

I have committee meetings on Wednesdays and ~~am~~ sit on the Board of Elders at my church. However, I am sure, if necessary, I can make adjustments.

5. Are you willing to sit on the Policy Committee to fill an open seat?

I would be willing to be part of that committee.

6. What do you feel is the role of a School Board Director?

It helps determine the direction the school district should take, initiates changes to curriculum budget, education goals, etc.

7. What are your strengths and weaknesses?

I'm a good communicator, I work well with others, I'm dedicated and good at following through, dependable. I guess a weakness is that I can be self-critical, however, I've learned to go a little easy on myself.

8. What are your thoughts on board Directors using social media to communicate with the public?

We are living in the 21st century and as more & more businesses & organizations are using social media I think it's perfectly acceptable. It helps us to quickly communicate with the public.

9. Considering the COVID-19 pandemic and the public health guidance from various agencies (MCOHP, PA Dept of Health, CDC, etc.), what do you see as your role as a Board member?

I think as a leader of the community we are tasked with following CDC guidelines in order to keep ourselves and others safe.

10. Board members must approve contracts including the collective bargaining contracts with our teacher's union. As a Board member, what would be your priorities in the negotiation process?

I think it's important that we maintain reasonable fiscal responsibility. We would want to support our teachers' interests. We need to be aware that we are entrusted with a limited amount of resources & it must be used judiciously.

11. What ONE experience in your life best qualifies you to sit on the Pottsgrove Board of Directors?

As a parent of students who attended PGSD, I am a member of the community as well as an educator who has worked at the PGSD.