

— PEOPLE FOR — HONEST POLITICS

Candidate Questionnaire

Why are you running for the Campbell County School District Board of Trustees? If elected, what will be your priorities?

I retired from Campbell County School District (CCSD) after 24 years of service. I felt honored every day that I played a part in helping provide an education for our children. I continue to feel passionate about serving the students of Campbell County and advancing education opportunities.

Over the last year and a half, we have made great progress toward a remedy for the Campbell County High School facility and the transportation facility. Seeing those two capital projects through to completion must remain a priority.

Other priorities include:

- Continue to be diligent in providing a safe environment for students.
- Continue working with community organizations to provide wellbeing interventions for students and staff including mental and behavioral health issues.
- Develop policies to support teachers and students in proper utilization of artificial intelligence (AI).
- Continue to improve four-year graduation rates.
- Provide challenging curriculums for all students.

Is there a particular issue that motivates you to serve on the board of education? What experiences or skills have prepared you to be a board member?

I don't have a specific agenda. We have a great school district. We should keep looking at ways we can advance and get even better. It is our duty to make sure when our students graduate high school, they are ready to pursue the future they want.

My family moved to Gillette in 1967. I attended Campbell County Schools. I have been married to my husband, Bruce, for 45 years. We have three children, and they have all attended Campbell County Schools. I currently have grandchildren in Campbell County Schools. I am thankful for the education provided by the District and want to see us continue to offer the most excellent education to our children.

I have 24 years of experience with CCSD in business operations. Human Resources experience gives me insight into the challenges of staff recruitment and retainment; as well as Professional Teaching Standards Board (PTSB) teacher certification and employment law.

While serving in the finance and Associate Superintendent for Instructional Support office, I created and monitored budgets including capital construction budgets while building four schools; as well as working closely with the Wyoming School Facilities Department. My last seven years were spent as the Administrative Assistant to the Superintendent and Secretary to the Board of Trustees. I attended and recorded the minutes for all regular, special, and executive session board meetings. I acquired knowledge of education law and state statutes including open meeting laws and duties and powers of the school board. This unique experience and knowledge helps me be a valuable and effective board member.

What school district or community activity/organizations have you been involved in? How will you promote your school board candidacy?

I am currently involved in the following:

- Member of Campbell County School District Board of Trustees
- Treasurer of Campbell County Community Public Recreation District Board
- President of my subdivision Improvement and Service District Board
- Campbell County School District Policy Committee (currently and while and employee of CCSD)

I have been involved in the following:

- CCSD Certified and ESP Employee of the Year Committees
- CCSD Audit Committee
- CCSD Covid Reopening Task Force
- CCSD Crisis Management Team
- CCSD Strategic Planning Committee
- Various volunteer undertakings with my church and children's activities

I have purchased signs that are being distributed throughout the community. I have also had packets of sticky notes printed to give out to people I talk to.

I have plans to attend the following:

- September 25 - Campbell County League of Women Voters Forum
- October 1 - Interview with Vic Wright on the Wake Up Wyoming Morning Show
- October 1 – Interview with Realtors Board
- October 7 - Community Forum in Wright
- October 18 – Mingle at Senior Citizen's Center
- Additional events as they become known to me

I intend to go door-to-door and visit with as many people as possible.

Could you support a board decision you did not vote in favor of? Why or why not? How often do you attend CCSD School Board meetings?

The best approaches to solving problems and considering new ideas comes from open minded and respectful communication regarding those ideas and opinions. It is important that everyone has a chance to express their view prior to a board taking a vote on an issue. Once the vote is taken, regardless of whether or not the majority vote reflects my personal view, it is vital that I support the majority decision. I will do everything in my power to make sure the majority vote results in a successful outcome for CCSD and its students. This is how a

well-functioning board operates. However, we have seen in our community a few boards who operate in a toxic manner. That is why it is so important to elect members to a board who are capable of functioning properly.

I have attended a lot of CCSD Board meetings. As part of my 24 year career with the District, it was necessary for me to attend meetings on multiple occasions. My last seven years with the District, I attended all Board meetings (regular, special, executive session, etc.), prepared documents for those meetings, as well as recording the minutes of all Board meetings. As a current CCSD Board member, I attend all meetings.

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