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JUDICIAL ELECTION

City of Youngstown Municipal Court

One to elect

6 year term, begins January, 2019

Renee M. Disalvo

Age:

Residence: Youngstown, Ohio 44511

Email: retainjudgereneedisalvo@gmail.com

Website: retainjudgereneedisalvo.com

Occupation: Judge

Education: BA Youngstown State University 1993; JD University of Akron School of Law 1996

Work Experience: Youngstown Municipal Court Judge (11/2018 –present)

21 years of working as General Practitioner/Trial attorney for both civil and criminal clients in firms and private practice settings. She has taught criminal justice classes and women studies classes at YSU and Kent State Universities and has been an OPOTA (Ohio Peace Officer Training Academy) instructor. Judge DiSalvo has served as a part-time Mahoning County Common Pleas Mediator and Assistant Prosecutor for City of Youngstown Law Department.

Family: Married with blended family of 3 sons one of whom is predeceased, 2 wonderful daughter in laws and 5 grandchildren.

Affiliations: Association of Municipal and Judges of Ohio, Ohio State Bar Association and Mahoning County Bar Association (Access to Justice, Lawyers Assistance and Memorial Committees); Victory Christian Center, Meet Me At The Cross and Bair Foundation.

Endorsements: AFL-CIO, Youngstown-Warren Black Caucus and UAW.

Bar Association Ratings: N/A

(1) List your judicial experience (courts and years)

Youngstown Municipal Court, 11/5/2018 to present

(2) What about your non-judicial legal experience qualifies you to be a judge?

As a victim of domestic violence, a single mother on public assistance and daughter taking care of aging parents I am personally uniquely aware of many of the struggles and pressures one can encounter that could bring one into the criminal justice system. I also know how

vital a positive support system is during these tenuous times. Prior to taking the bench I was a multi-county trial attorney serving my clients in civil and criminal matters. The clients I served were representative of the diversity I see on the bench daily. Serving in many jurisdictions, before various judges has afforded me the opportunity to garner experience and knowledge of the law, procedure and alternative methods of dealing with problems. As an attorney I was involved in the formation of this area's first Veteran's Court and have utilized treatment courts for clients suffering from substance abuse and mental health disorders. As a juvenile guardian ad litem I became a voice for the voiceless. I have acted as a pro-bono attorney for many, providing them equal access to justice they deserve. My character and reputation remain positive and solid in the legal community and community at large.

My experience as an attorney shows poverty, drug abuse and the mental health disorders are some of the primary root causes of the criminal behavior we see in this area. I take a pro-active approach and understand that treatment options must be considered in sentencing as well as other rehabilitative options to minimize repeat criminal behavior. While incarceration may be necessary for some individuals, treatment and support may be what works for others. I am able to discern and develop individual modalities to accomplish the purposes of sentencing while assisting these individuals to improve themselves and become productive citizens.

(3) Why are you running for this particular court seat?

I have accomplished much since becoming judge and there are many more things I would like to accomplish to help keep our city safe while improving the lives of those who appear before me. I was born and raised in Youngstown and have seen how vital a role the Court can play. Corruption, biases and poor decisions by local government officials and even the courts have shaken public trust and confidence. I believe I can help restore the integrity, trust and confidence that must be present in our Court.

My character is founded on my Christian beliefs. I interact with everyone equally regardless of race, religion, political or sexual persuasion or other socially defining characteristics. I possess the ability to apply the law to the facts and to understand how a

judicial decision will affect the human beings appearing before the court and have the courage to uphold the law even if the result is not the popular one. I am able to communicate with counsel, jurors, witnesses and parties calmly and courteously, as well as listen to and consider what is said on all sides of a debatable proposition. I consistently demonstrate patience, open-mindedness, courtesy, tact, courage, punctuality, firmness, understanding, compassion, humility and common sense.

As stated before, I desire to continue serving the citizens of Youngstown by seeking truth, justice and by offering help and assistance to those who need it most.

Mark Hanni

Age: 61

Residence: Youngstown, Ohio 44511

Occupation: I am a practicing attorney and have been for over 15 years. Representing Criminal Defense, Civil Cases, Constitutional Rights, Employment Issues, Injured Workers.

Education: I graduated from Youngstown State University with a BSBA in 1998. I attended the Duquesne University of Law and graduated with the degree of Juris Doctor in 2003, with high honors. I was also a member of the Duquesne Law review.

Work Experience: I was the Deputy Director at the Board of Elections, was previous owners of Mark Vote, conducted union elections; Tri-County Printing, a union shop and am presently owner of M & H Properties.

Family: I have four adult children, two sons, two daughters and two grandchildren.

Affiliations: I am a member of St. Columba Cathedral, Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Basilica, the Knights of Columbus, the Masons and a 50 year member of the YMCA where I have been a volunteer coach.

Endorsements:

Bar Association Ratings:

(1) List your judicial experience (courts and years)

I have practiced in all area courts; Felony Courts, Youngstown Municipal Court and Federal Courts. I am licensed in the State of Ohio Federal District Court and in the Pennsylvania District Court.

(2) What about your non-judicial legal experience qualifies you to be a judge?

My tenure at the Mahoning Valley Board of Elections has given me

the experience to establish and submit budgets for over twenty employees and conduct county elections. With this experience I believe I have the experience to reduce payroll and benefits and add additional services.

(3) Why are you running for this particular court seat?

I believe I have the temperament, toughness and experience to be a Judge in the city of Youngstown. I believe in the fair and impartial administration of Justice. I would propose to start a night court for the convenience of the public, start a Drug court to rehabilitate our youth and continue Veterans Court, they deserve it.

Martin S. Hume

Age: 62

Residence: Youngstown, Ohio

Email: mhume1@ameritech.net

Website: www.martyhume.com

Occupation: Prosecutor

Education: The Ohio State University College of Law, J.D. 1981, Honors-Best Brief Award; Wesleyan University, B.A. 1978, Honors-cum laude

Work Experience: Assistant Mahoning County Prosecutor-2018-Present and 1997-2014; Law Director, City of Youngstown-2014-2018; Martin S. Hume Co., L.P.A, 1985-Present; Special Counsel to Ohio Attorney General-1990-1995; Northeast Ohio Legal Services-1995-1997

Family: Wife- Kim Rexroad Hume, Son-Jonathan Hume, Daughter-in-law- Meghan Levine, Son- Jeremy Hume, Daughter-in-law-Samantha Hume

Affiliations: American Bar Association, Ohio State Bar Association, Mahoning County Bar Association, Past-President-Mahoning-Trumbull Counties Academy of Trial Lawyers

Endorsements: Selected to be listed in Best Lawyers in America and Ohio SuperLawyers, Mahoning County Democratic Party, Mahoning County JFK Democratic Women's Club

Bar Association Ratings: Recommended

(1) List your judicial experience (courts and years)

Served in a quasi-judicial capacity as an arbitrator in the Mahoning County Court of Common Pleas during the years of approximately 1983-1995.

(2) What about your non-judicial legal experience qualifies you to be a judge?

My Youngstown roots are strong and deep. For my entire professional career, I have maintained a law office in

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downtown Youngstown. Over Eighteen (18) years of experience as a prosecutor makes me prepared for service as Municipal Court Judge. I've served with diligence and integrity, protecting the public and holding criminals accountable. For the past two years, I have served as a prosecutor in the Mahoning County Common Pleas Court, successfully prosecuting 100's of felony cases. As a long-time prosecutor, I have a thorough knowledge of the criminal justice system.

My experience as Law Director for the City of Youngstown provided me with extensive knowledge about Youngstown. During my term as Law Director, we were able to aid in great achievements for the City. These included the construction and opening of Wick Towers, a downtown residential apartment building; the construction of the new Youngstown Municipal Court facilities; the construction of the "Chill Can" manufacturing plant on the Eastside; and the construction of the new Double Tree Hotel downtown; among many others. We also addressed some of the city's problems by adopting a new property maintenance code; by enacting a quality of life ordinance to address many types of minor infractions that over time can devalue properties and destroy neighborhoods; by instituting a community policing structure that gets officers more involved in the neighborhoods in order to build relationships that will pay off in lower crime rates in the long-run. We worked hard at the City to be proactive. We provided training to the entire police department on Constitutional Use of Force to allow police officers to protect themselves and the public while avoiding claims for excessive use of force. We provided sexual harassment training to all city employees and published an Employee Handbook applicable to all City employees, which compiled all City personnel policies and is accessible to all employees. All of these experiences have provided me with a broad range of knowledge that will assist me in service as a Youngstown Municipal Court Judge.

I am certified as a Specialist in Labor and Employment Law by the Ohio State Bar Association and the Ohio Supreme Court. I am admitted to practice before the United States Supreme Court. I have won two cases in the Ohio Supreme Court. I have served as

both a prosecutor and represented criminal defendants. I have represented both plaintiffs and defendants. This broad and deep experience will allow me to serve effectively as a Municipal Court Judge.

Finally, my participation in charitable organizations and community groups demonstrates my belief that we all have an obligation to make our community better. As Judge, I will ensure that the citizens of Youngstown benefit from my service.

(3) Why are you running for this particular court seat?

Over my nearly forty year career, I have seen the difference a Judge can make in the lives of the people that appear before the court. Most misdemeanor level offenders are capable of being rehabilitated, provided they receive the counseling, drug/alcohol treatment, or job training they need. I have a strong desire to end the cycle of family violence, and will make it a priority to hold perpetrators of domestic violence accountable for their actions. As Law Director, I provided assistance to Judge Milich in establishing the Veteran's Court that is currently operating. I am a strong supporter of Veteran's Court and I believe the most successful aspects of that program should be extended to non-veteran offenders (i.e. mentorship programs and intensive counseling when necessary). I have expertise in housing law and would like to see a specialized docket to address housing related issues. We need to do more to keep Youngstown clean and address dumping issues. I will make sure our laws relating to the environment are strictly enforced.

CITY AND VILLAGE OFFICES

QUESTION: What are the top 3 issues facing your community? What solutions do you propose?

(D) – Democrat

(I) - Independent

(NP) – Non-Partisan

(R) – Republican

(WI) – Write In

City of Campbell

Mayor

1 to elect; 2 yr. term

Nicholas Phillips

480 Sycamore Dr.
Campbell, OH 44405
No response received

Juanita Rich

473 Elizabeth Lane
Campbell, OH 44405

Age: 66

Occupation: 4th Ward

Councilwoman: City of Campbell; Surgical Technologist; The Surgical Hospital at Southwoods `

Education: Choffin Career & Technical Center

Qualifications for Office: Served as 4th Ward Council and Council President for 16 non-consecutive years; Chair of Finance, Public Utilities/Waterworks, and Mini-Bus Council Committees; Maintains a strong working relationships with fellow Council Members

Answer: Lack of Honesty & Transparency within Local Government: Utilize digital tools to create an environment of openness, transparency, honesty, accuracy & accountability; Provide employees with the necessary training in order to make this a smooth transition

Fiscal Irresponsibility: Closely monitor the budget, as well as all expenditures, to be able to enforce accountability related to spending, especially with the funds coming in from the sale of our Water Plant
Steady decline in population/Lack of Economic Growth: Implement a new Business and Marketing Development Strategy; Create Job Initiatives; Economic development of city owned land; Offer local business owners various available incentives through government funding in order to bring a new grocery store as well as other businesses into the city; Continue to beautify the City of Campbell through the reduction of slum & blight; Work on "The Downtown Campbell Project"

Director of Law

One to elect; 2 yr. term

Brian J. Macala

63 16th St.
Campbell, OH 44405
No response received

Council President

One to elect; 2 yr. term

George Levendis

840 Carlton Dr.
Campbell, OH 44405
No response received

Tony J. Grachanin

761 Porter Ave.
Campbell, OH 44405
No response received

Members of Council by Ward

One to elect for each; 2 yr. term
First Ward

Tim O'Bryan (D/NP)

170 Struthers Liberty Rd.
Campbell, OH 44405

Age: 45

Occupation: Free lance Writer, associate for Acosta

Education: Associate Degree: Information Technology/ Computer Networking

Qualifications for Office: I'm a former board member of the Iron Soup Historical Preservation Society from 2012-2016; a Youth football coach for the Campbell Little Red Devils. (2015-present) and a Contributing article writer for 'Free Magazine' located in Pittsburgh, (2014-2017).

Answer: My first plan of action would be to find out what the people in the first ward want and need, after all, if elected, the people who put me in ultimately have the first word. I am sure everyone has their concerns about where they live and what's around them, such as the potholes on the street, the abandoned or run down house's and buildings, or the trash giving Campbell a bad name for a good place to call home. I have a vision in my head for this area, but I need you to take a leap of faith to make things run for a better tomorrow.

Michael D. Tsikouris

761 Porter Ave.
Campbell, OH 44405
No response received

Second Ward

Bryan Tedesco

765 Whipple Ave.
Campbell, OH 44405
No response received

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3rd Ward

F. Joseph Mazzocca

475 Peters Dr.

Campbell, OH 44405

No response received

Denise Gulu

309 Crimson Circle
Campbell, OH 44405

No response received

4th Ward

Robert Stanko

380 Coitsville Rd.
Campbell, OH 44405

No response received

City of Canfield

City Council at Large

4 to elect; 4 yr. term

Anthony J. Nacarato

101 Willow Way
Canfield, OH 44406

Age: 51

Occupation: Managing Director,
Lane Funeral Homes

Education: Youngstown
State University, BA Business
Administration, Pittsburgh
Institute of Mortuary Science

Qualifications for Office: Past
President of the Rotary Club
of Canfield, sit on the boards
of Design and Review, Steering
Committee, The Committee to
Restore the Gazebo for Canfield
and Chairman for the "Lighting of
the Green".

Answer: The top 3 issues in the
city of Canfield are flooding,
growth, and quality of public
safety and amenities. On flooding
I plan to work with Mahoning
County and surrounding
communities to relieve the
amount of water runoff. Working
together will give us a long-term
solution to benefit all concerned.
On growth we need to increase the
city's tax base to maintain current
programs without increasing the
burden on its taxpaying citizens.
Enticing businesses to establish
themselves in our community
will grow our tax base and benefit
not only the city but our schools.
The last issue is to maintain
the high standards already set
within the area for public safety.
With an ageing population we
already have a great fire, police,
and EMT system in place but as

time continues, we are faced with
maintaining this level of care and
that will take a continued effort
with the township.

Charles Tieche

130 Wadsworth St.
Canfield, OH 44406

Age: 74

Occupation: Retired City
Manager

Education: Canfield High
School, YSU – BS in BA Major –
Accounting, Minor – Economics
and Business.

Qualifications for Office: 50 years
of local government experience;
Served as: City Manager, Finance
Director, Zoning Inspector,
Licensed Water and Sewer
operator, Fire Officer, Emergency
Medical Technician. Currently a
Canfield Council Member.

Answer: Making Improvements
in the City's Storm Drainage
System. Hiring a consultant
to define the specific problem
and provide potential solutions,
consequences and costs. Council
and Management must fully
understand all details and
costs of each project before
implementation. Completing
and Implementing the City's
Comprehensive Plan. The City is
in process of developing a long-
range plan for future growth and
development of the City. Council
needs to insure that the plan is
completed and includes ideas for
business growth and development
around the Village Green as well
as development of Red Gate Farm.
Council then needs to develop
an implementation strategy.
Maintaining a Balanced Budget.
The first 2 issues are important for
the long-term growth of the City.
But more importantly, Council
must always pay attention to City's
Finances, and insure that money
is available, or a revenue stream
is provided, to cover all operating
costs, plus any new project costs.

Christine Oliver

50 Oak Tree Dr.
Canfield, OH 44406
No response received

John Morvay

7 Willow Way
Canfield, OH 44406

Age: 63

Occupation: Owner/Independent
Financial Insurance Advisor

Education: MBA Walsh
University

Qualifications for Office:
Over 30 years in business as an
entrepreneur. Board Member of
the Cardinal Joint Fire District

and Gateways to Better Living.
Involved in community projects
through Rotary, The Core Six, and
other charitable organizations.
Canfield resident for 40 years.

Answer: The City of Canfield
would benefit from tax revenues
that are generated from businesses
in our community (less tax
burden on individuals). The
recent annexation of the Red
Gate property affords us this
opportunity. Our strategic plan
will identify and invite businesses
to locate in Canfield. I intend to
strengthen entrepreneurial and
business development strategies.

Too many of our children
have to relocate to find quality
employment. One of my
initiatives has been to lay the
ground work for the infrastructure
(fiber optics/ broadband) so that
individuals have the ability to live
in Canfield but be employed by a
company located outside of our
City. The technology is here to
create the infrastructure necessary
to retain our next generation.
Communication with the
Township is essential. The City
and Township must continue to
work together as a community.
Continue to find projects that
improve our community.

Bruce Neff

68 W. Main St.
Canfield, OH 44406

Occupation: Business Owner
(LED3)

Education: BS, Ashland College
Comp. Science/Teaching
Certificate YSU

Qualifications for Office:
Incumbent, Born & raised in
Canfield, focused on fiscally
responsible government and
planning for controlled future
growth.

Answer: Smart community
growth should be pursued,
including improved activity for
arts and commerce, restaurants
and entertainment on the Green,
ultimately bringing vitality to the
center of the city. We must work
on continued improvement of our
public works and infrastructure,
with the emphasis on storm water
improvements, as well as water,
sewer and sidewalks. A proposed
bike trail through the city, tying
into the MetroParks bike trail
will be a great addition for our
residents.

The Redgate annexation will allow
a planned mixed use ultra modern
development with senior living or
an advanced business park mix.
Going forward, I think it's
important that a structured
growth plan be developed to bring
businesses into the city while

maintaining the safe, positive
community environment for our
residents.

Kelly A. Fairbanks (write-in)

285 Sleepy Hollow Dr.
Canfield, OH 44406
No response received

City Of Struthers

Mayor

One to elect; 4-yr. term

Robert D. Carcelli

409 Edison St.
Struthers, OH 44471

Occupation: Semi-retired/
consultant

Education: Struthers High School
graduate.

Qualifications for Office: 24
years on Struthers City Council; 6
years, 2nd Ward Council; 16 years,
Councilman at large; 2 years,
President of Council

Answer: My top issues: I decided
to return to politics and run
for mayor because the future of
Struthers is at stake. I feel I am the
most qualified person to serve as
mayor, especially with the tough
economic times our city is facing.
Having served under five different
mayors, and serving 22 of 24
years as Chairman of the Finance
Committee, the city had zero cuts
in services, no increases in taxes,
always ran fiscally responsibly, and
operated in black balance budgets.
In my opinion, my opponent
doesn't have the experience
necessary to serve as the Mayor of
Struthers. My record of experience
and accomplishments speak for
themselves.

The City of Struthers deserves
proven experience and leadership
which is why I chose to run for
Struthers Mayor.

Catherine Cercone-Miller (D)

624 Brandon Ave.
Struthers, OH 44471

Age: 36

Occupation: Struthers Law
Director/Prosecutor's Secretary

Education: Capital University,
Bachelor- Psychology/Art
Therapy; Struthers High School

Qualifications for Office: For 5+
years, I have dealt with Struthers
Municipal Court, and all the
departments within the city. I
have grant writing experience

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and serve on Struthers Rotary Community Corps, Hope Foundation Mahoning Valley and the Struthers School Foundation.

Answer:

1. Housing/code enforcement. We need to have a program in place to keep track of violations, citations and rental properties and hold landlords responsible for their properties. 2. Economic Development. We have to take care of the businesses we have and bring in new ones. By making our city more appealing for both small and large entities, the city itself can thrive and prosper. We need to have plans in place to develop the Mahoning River area as well as CASTLO, downtown Struthers, Nebo and Northside areas. 3. Building a better relationship with our schools.

Auditor

1 to elect; 4 yr. term

Christina S. Bohl (D)

320 W. Hopewell Dr.
Struthers, OH 44471
No response received

Treasurer

(Unexpired Term ending
12/31/2021)

Robert D. Carcelli, III (D)

400 Geneva Ave.
Struthers, OH 44471
No response received

Law Director

1 to elect; 4 yr. term

John N. Zomoida, Jr. (D)

587 Idora Ln.
Struthers, OH 44471
No response received

President of Council

1 to elect; 2 yr. term

Joseph Rudzik (D)

334 Deer Creek Dr.
Struthers, OH 44471
No response received

Council At Large

3 to elect; 2 yr. term

James Baluck (D)

120 Overlook Blvd.
Struthers, OH 44471
No response received

Dallas Bigley (D)

156 Hopewell Dr.
Struthers, OH 44471
No response received

Megan Pingley (D)

604 Maplewood Ave.
Struthers, OH 44471
No response received

Members of Council by Ward

1 to elect for each ward/2 yr. term

1st Ward

Lori Greenwood

236 Creed St.
Struthers, OH 44471
No response received

2nd Ward

Ron Carcelli (D)

458 Elm St.
Struthers, OH 44471
No response received

3rd Ward

Robert D. Burnside (D)

60 Schenley Ave.
Struthers, OH 44471
No response received

Gianni Quattro

230 Clingan Rd.
Struthers, OH 44471
No response received

4th Ward

Rick Bayus (D)

449 Como St.
Struthers, OH 44471
No response received

City Of Youngstown

Members of Council by Ward
1 to elect each ward/4 yr. term

1st Ward

Julius T. Oliver (D)

91 E. Warren Ave.
Youngstown, OH 44507
No response received

2nd Ward

Jimmy Hughes (D)

3239 Oak St. Ext.
Youngstown, OH 44505
No response received

3rd Ward

Adrian McDowell (I)

504 North Ave.
Youngstown, OH 44502

Age: 34

Occupation: Business Owner;
Inventor

Education: Youngstown City Schools; gifted talented program grad. Attn YSU Business Admin, Behavioral psych, indy study 10 plus years

Qualifications for Office: Business owner, patent writer. Community political activist, at risk youth mentor, former City Council Candidate 2011 first ward

Answer: Violent Crime establish community task force teams throughout problematic areas to be a liason between neighborhoods and law enforcement for crime prevention and apprehension as well as strengthen and assist block watch groups. Economic Development / Self Sustainability Continued efforts helping residents start small businesses. Also establish multimedia and arts incubator to cultivate and recruit area talent in all forms of media. Place focus on the media industry. This has the greatest job creation potential without worry of job displacement due to technology. Set up summer and winter youth programs enable youth to earn money as well as learn financial literacy and entrepreneurial fundamentals. Environmental Improvement Strong code enforcement, collaboration with judicial system to start programs for nonviolent low level drug offenders to do community service in their neighborhoods. Bi-monthly community liter control. Improve Environment – Improve Mindset!

Samantha Turner (D)

465 Fairgreen Ave.
Youngstown, OH 44504
No response received

4th Ward

Michael A. Harvey (write-in)

1509 Mahoning Ave.
Youngstown, OH 44509

Age: 40

Occupation: Struggling business

owner/call center employee

Education: National Merit Scholar Ursuline High School. Indiana University Graduate in Finance and Accounting including a concentration in International Studies

Qualifications for Office: I AM NOT A POLITICIAN. I am an idea guy who wants to create an entirely new Green Society with jobs and equal rights for everyone.

Answer: Poverty is the number one issue in OUR community. Getting GREEN businesses like SOBE which bought Youngstown Thermal to come to Youngstown, and increase their investment would be my number one priority. I would also like to create a 1st of its kind bridge that houses a non-profit renewable energy plant. The model to rebuild our nation's infrastructure, and economy through the GREEN NEW DEAL should be created right here in Youngstown. Re-establishing the requirement to live in the city to work for the city would be another goal. Tax dollars from residents and businesses in the city should not be funding the good life for people in the suburbs. They should be funding the rejuvenation of YOUNGSTOWN. Increased hope from a reduction in poverty might help the 2nd biggest problem of addiction. Increased revenue can also pay to tackle our crumbling infrastructure or the 3rd biggest problem.

Stephen T. Lesko, Jr.

716 Wilkinson Ave.
Youngstown, OH 44509
No response received

Mike Ray (D)

377 Division St.
Youngstown, OH 44509

Age: 42

Occupation: Technical Services Supervisor; Councilman

Education: B.S. in Business Administration, YSU; Chaney High School

Qualifications for Office: 2010 appointed, elected 2011; reelected 2015. Prior to that, my civic involvement includes time as a trustee for the J. Ford Crandall, DMH Scholarship and Sigma Tau Gamma Foundation and President of OCCHA; active in various neighborhood groups.

Answer: 1. Blight – One blighted house can bring down an entire neighborhood. While on council, I have worked with community groups and the county land bank on targeted strategic demolition. 2. Public safety - I

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remain a strong advocate for community policing, and believe we need to continue to provide funding and resources to expand it. Youngstown has seen a decrease in violent crime because of proactive policing and programs like the Community Initiative to Reduce Violence and Crime. 3. Economic Development – During my time on council, the Mahoning Avenue corridor, one of the most viable in the city, has had over \$6 million of construction, expansion and renovations. I'm currently working with various entities on multiple projects to repurpose vacant properties and attract new business. I have also worked with the city on projects that led to more than \$100 million in investment or expansion in West Side business parks.

5th Ward

Lauren McNally (D)

1255 Cherokee Dr.
Youngstown, OH 44511
No response received

Corrine Sanderson (I)

29 S. Dunlap Ave.
Youngstown, OH 44509
Office: Youngstown 5th Ward Council
Age: 41

Occupation: Consultant for CWA
Education: Youngstown State University, B.A. History

Qualifications for Office: I'm a life long resident of Youngstown and a proud parent of a Chaney High School graduate. I have enjoyed my time on the YSC School Board, now it's time to tackle the issues that are hindering our children within the community.

Issues facing your community:

1. Job Creation 2. Improved Roads and Infrastructure 3. Supporting Public Safety Solutions: I would do a better job of ensuring a stronger relationship with The Youngstown-Warren Regional Chamber of Commerce to recruit businesses into the area, securing federal and State funds to support small business owners and learning how to diversify the economy. Businesses are looking to come into areas where they feel safety is the number one priority for its residents. Our council person voted to shutdown our fire stations on rotating basis, sat by when we lost our community officers and voted to misappropriate funds from the Waste Water Funds to

a millionaire. I would fight for a Public Safety Levy in support of residents and our public safety workers. All sweet heart government contacts that involve cronyism will end and funds would go towards better roads, beautification plans in target areas like Idora Park.

6th Ward

Anita Davis (D)

469 Mistletoe Ave.
Youngstown, OH 44511
No response received

7th Ward

Basia Adamczak (D)

1215 Aberdeen Ave.
Youngstown, OH 44502
No response received

Donald P. Scott (I)

1112 Ivanhoe Avenue
Youngstown, OH 44502

Age: 57

Occupation: Licensed Attorney, Retired Youngstown Police Detective/Sergeant Crime Scene Unit Commander, 2019. Retired United States Army Lieutenant Colonel, 2012.

Education: Doctoral Candidate, Doctor of Law & Policy, Northeastern University Boston, MA. Juris Doctor Degree from Cleveland-Marshall College of Law, 2002.

Qualifications for Office: 30 years-experience Youngstown Municipal government solving problems for citizens.

Answer: 1. Public Safety is my top priority. Staffing in both the Youngstown Police and Fire Departments must meet minimum federal and Ohio guidelines for public safety and grant eligibility. As an Ohio Certified Law Enforcement Executive and career law enforcement officer in Youngstown, I understand and know how to effectively address public safety. 2. Public funds must be used lawfully. The Ohio Auditor has found that Youngstown Officials misused \$3.1 million dollars of water department funds violating Ohio Revised Code 743.05. City Council records depict this was approved by the current representative. As an Ohio attorney, I understand and will research law. I have sworn an oath to uphold Ohio law and will not misuse nor permit the misuse

of public funds. 3. Economic Development: Revitalization efforts must improve. As a Doctoral Candidate in Law and Policy, I am best suited and know how to bring sustained economic development.

VILLAGES

Beloit

Mayor

1 to elect; 4 yr. term

Eric B. Augustein

13404 Church St.
Beloit, OH 44609
No response received

Village Council

2 to elect; 4 year term
1 to elect; unexpired term

Laura Schaeffer

18230 8th St.
Beloit, OH 44609
No response received

Deb Gabrelcik

18225 E. 5th St.
Beloit, OH 44609
No response received

Joshua Scott (Unexpired Term Ending 12/31/2021)

17781 Fairview Ave.
Beloit, OH 44609
No response received

Craig Beach

Mayor

1 to elect; 4 yr. term

David A. Spencer

1619 Manchester St.
Lake Milton, OH 44429
No response received

Council

1 to elect; 4 yr. term

Linda Bryant

17563 Denver Dr.
Craig Beach, OH 44429

Age: 67

Occupation: Owner/Operator
Lakefront Laundry

Education: Master of Science:

Nursing

Qualifications for Office: Current Council Member, Strong Leadership skills as Nurse Executive; Kent State University Instructor, Craig Beach Resident 49 yrs. Honest, approachable, committed to progress.

Answer:

Abandoned Structures Improve systematic processes for identifying these structures with diligent application of Village Ordinances. 2. Unkempt Properties Consistent identification and follow-up enforcement of Village Ordinances. 3. Limited Village Finances Secure available grants and funding projects. Increase resident involvement in Village government through focus groups to identify issues of concern and formulate creative solutions.

Robert Andrea

17511 Laurel Ave.
Craig Beach, OH 44429
No response received

Lowellville

Mayor

1 to elect; 4 yr. term

James Iudiciani, Sr.

119 W. Wood St.
Lowellville, OH 44436
No response received

Council

1 to elect; 4 yr. term

Joseph Donatelli

768 W. Wood St.
Lowellville, OH 44436
No response received

Donald B. D'Onofrio

150 Grays Run Lane
Lowellville, OH 44436
No response received

Clerk/Treasurer

1 to elect; 4 yr. term

Carol Flora

29 W. Wood St.
Lowellville, OH 44436
No response received

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New Middletown

Mayor

1 to elect; 4 yr. term

Harry P. Kale

122 Robinwood Dr.
New Middletown, OH 44442

Age: 69

Occupation: General Manager Tabor's Landscaping and Garden Center Inc.

Education: High School Grad

Qualifications for Office:

Previous Zoning Inspector, Councilman, 12 yrs as Mayor

Answer: Operating our General Fund within our budget. Keeping the village residents safety through our exceptional police and fire depts. And streets updated. The Village continues to operate with limited funding and remains conservative with spending.

Council

1 to elect; 4 yr. term

Tanner Avnet

142 Circleview Dr.
New Middletown, OH 44442

Age: 27

Occupation: Operational Manager/ Full Cycle Recruiter – The Muransky Companies

Education: Bachelor's Degree – Early Childhood Education; Youngstown State University

Qualifications for Office: Citizen of New Middletown – 26 Years.

Answer: 1. The drain issues that the citizens have expressed to be the biggest issue in the surrounding neighborhood, need addressed. I will do the best I can to address these issues with the Village manager and the Council and come up with a solution to these problems and fix them as soon as possible.

2. There are a lot of trucks that cut through the village on the back streets where they should not. I will work with the Police Chief and Council to stop this, including upping patrol in those areas and maybe implement some signage.

3. There are many issues that will arise in the community that are unknown at this time. But, I will do my best to work with the resources given and listen to the people of the Village of New Middletown and help them come up with a common solution.

Michelle Butler-Myers

211 Eastwood Dr.
New Middletown, OH 44442
No response received

Poland

Mayor

1 to elect; 4 yr. term

Timothy D. Sicafuse

123 College Lane
Poland, OH 44514

Age: 52

Occupation: President, Valley Insurance

Education: 85 Graduate Poland B.S. Ohio State

Qualifications for Office:

Finishing third term. Proven ability to work with many different council members and community to address problems and find solutions that work for everyone while being fiscally responsible.

Answer:

In January all of Council will have 2 yrs. exp or less – I will use my 12 years of experience and work with former council members to keep the positive momentum going while utilizing the talents and personalities of our new members to push Poland forward.

Poland Forest Poland Forest has been a hidden gem for decades. Lately there have been a variety of issues that have increased safety concerns and require money to address. Will work to get grants to address issues with goal to keep forest safe and open for all to enjoy.

Safety – Unfortunately crime is on rise everywhere due to drug epidemic. I will work closely with our Police Dept., Drug Task Force members, and other departments to keep our village safe.

Council

2 to elect; 2 yr. term

J. Michael Thompson

214 S. Main St.
Poland, OH 44514
No response received

Jim Walkama

101 Nesbitt St.
Poland, OH 44515
No response received

Sebring

Mayor

1 to elect; 4 yr. term

James Joseph Harp

215 W. Indiana Ave.
Sebring, OH 44672
No response received

Council

2 to elect to full term/ 4 yrs.

2 to elect to unexpired term

James Cannell (full term)

507 S. 14th St.
Sebring, OH 44672

Age: 75

Occupation: Retired

Education: High School and Several Trade Schools

Qualifications for Office: 4 years experience, Sebring FF for 50 years; School Board 24 years; Fire Chief 38 years

Answer: No paving of streets. Put \$ into budget to pave. Housing and downtown falling down – get after these people to clean up or we clean up. Clean up 13 acre inside Sebring for more industry. More jobs. Help the person who wants to buy it to buy it.

Betty J. Householder (full term)

176 E. Virginia Ave.
Sebring, OH 44672
No response received

Briana Jones (full term)

196 W. Ohio Ave.
Sebring, OH 44672

Age: 31

Occupation: Human Resources – Phantom Fireworks

Education: B.S. Sport Management – Winthrop University; J.D. – Charlotte School of Law

Qualifications for Office: One year experience on Village Council, Legal background, formal mediation training, participation in corporate meetings

Answer: Top 3 priorities are lack of funding, road conditions, decreasing property values

Solutions: recently hired finance director to assess and improve budgeting/funding; finance dept. improvements allow Village Manager to focus more on departments and grants which is key for paving projects; stronger

focus on code enforcement and community pride for beautification, cleanup, and property maintenance.

Corey Hughes (unexpired term)

665 S. 15th St.
Sebring, OH 44672 (unexpired term)
No response received

TOWNSHIPS

Austintown Township

Trustee

1 to elect/4 yr. term

Steve Kent

3548 Starwick Dr.
Canfield, OH 44406

Age: 50

Occupation: Police Officer

Education: Associate Degree Criminal Justice Administration

Qualifications for Office: Resident of Austintown; No Criminal Record

Answer: 1. Up Keep on rental homes in the community. Plan to create a home rule act that makes the owners responsible for taking care of the property. 2. Road repair, working alongside the Mahoning County Engineer to educate our local drives (semi trucks and dump trucks) on overloading their vehicles and the damage that it does to the roadway. 3. Business leaving the community. Working with the township administrator in bringing new businesses to our community.

Michael R. Rapovy, Sr.

5718 Yorktown Lane
Youngstown, OH 44515

Age: 61

Occupation: Retired Carpenter Business Representative

Education: Chaney High School, 4 Year Carpenter Apprenticeship, Y.S.U.

Qualifications for Office: Former Youngstown City Councilman; 2000-2008. Being retired, available to all Austintown residents, anytime, anywhere, for any problem. Thorough knowledge of Ohio Revised Code and how

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government works. I will not need on the job training.

Answer: 1-Neighborhood blight and decay-I will work with each and every homeowner to help find either funding, assistance, and/or volunteerism within our community to pull together and help homeowners who are needing assistance.

2-Commercial property blight-I will work to restructure, rejuvenate, rehabilitate existing commercial properties for redevelopment rather than using up more greenspace. Seeking new business will be a necessity to stabilize and grow our community.

3- Accountability-The residents will know that since I am retired, I have no other interests and commitments and can DEVOTE 100% of my time to serve the residents of Austintown! I will not offer lies, false promises, or mislead anyone to get elected. I have a proven track record in our valley of leadership and getting things done!

Bruce Shepas

1278 Victory Hill Lane
Austintown, OH 44515

No response received

David Engler

1204 S. Meridian Rd.
Youngstown, OH 44511

No response received

Fiscal Officer

1 to elect; 4 yr. term

John Mashiska

3942 Artmar Dr.
Austintown, OH 44515

Occupation: IHM Parish Center Manager

Education: 1975 Austintown Fitch Graduate; YSU Graduate with BSBA in Accounting

Qualifications for Office: 31 years as an auditor with the State of Ohio Auditor's Office. Strong background in governmental accounting and the UAN software used by township to maintain financial records.

Answer: 1. I believe the budget is the most important issue facing Austintown Township. I propose meeting with all department heads and creating a balanced budget. Also I would want to cut unnecessary expense. I would like to have a carryover balance for those unexpected receipts emergency expenses. 2. Meet monthly with all department heads and review their detailed receipts and expenses. Then make

necessary adjustments. 3. Try to come up with a solution to pave more roads without asking for a new levy or combine levies which might have a minimal affect on the citizens' taxes.

Laura Wolfe

3448 Tall Oaks Ln.
Austintown, OH 44511

Age: 50

Occupation: Fiscal Officer

Education: B.S.B.A. in Accounting; Minor in Finance and Economics

Qualifications for Office: Current Fiscal Officer, work in the Accounting Field

Answer: The top three issues faced by Austintown Township are: loss of revenue, aging infrastructure, and an increase in vacant dwellings. My plan is to continue to be frugal with Township spending. I will continue looking for grants to help supplement the budget so that current services will be maintained. Austintown Township is an older, developed community that is dealing with aging infrastructure. I will continue to work with surrounding communities in the bidding process so that the Township can save money and pave as many roads as possible. By continuing to be aggressive with demolition or rehabilitation of vacant structures, this allows the Township to be attractive to new residents and businesses.

Beaver Township

Trustee

One to elect; 4 yr. term

Ronald L. Kappler

11646 South Avenue
North Lima, OH 44452

No response received

Fiscal Officer

One to elect; 4 yr. term

Richard R. Lotze

233 E. Pine Lake Rd.
North Lima, OH 44452

Age: 60

Occupation: CPA-Tax Practice and Fiscal Officer/Beaver Township

Education: South Range Local Schools; Miami University B.S. in Business Major: Accounting; Certified Public Accountant

Qualifications for Office:

Significant experience in local government accounting, administration, audits, financial accounting at corporate and partnership levels, health benefits and human resources and consulting with non-profits.

Answer: Challenges for our Township include reductions in state funding, maintaining our level of service with fewer dollars and the rising costs of healthcare benefits. I will continue to provide timely monthly financial statements to assist Trustees and Department Managers in managing under these conditions, provide insight to Trustees in various areas such as, but not limited to, health care benefit renewals, other personnel costs, insurance, capital outlays and financial statement interpretation. Also assist Department Managers in complying with newly procured grant funding and provide guidance in projections for determining upcoming budgets and levy needs.

Berlin Township

Trustee

1 to elect; 4 yr.term

Jason A. Young

14960 Ellsworth Rd.
Berlin Center, OH 44401

No response received

Fiscal Officer

1 to elect; 4 yr. term

Delores J. Bennett

13657 Ellsworth Rd.
Berlin Center, OH 44401

No response received

Boardman Township

Trustee

1 to elect; 4 yr. term

Jason Pavone

573 Squirrel Hill Dr.
Youngstown, OH 44512

No response received

Tracie Balentine (NP)

743 Indianola Road
Boardman, Ohio 44512

Age: 49

Education: MBA in Finance, BSBA, Youngstown State University.

Occupation: Consultant

Qualifications for Office: I am a long-time community leader and advocate affecting positive change, transparency and accountability with 20 plus years of experience managing people costs, union relations, designing process and procedures with core strengths in strategic planning, building relationships and teams that get results.

Answer:

Funding has two parts 1.)

Funding transparency: increase transparency of financial information and provide more details. 2.) Not enough funding: complete an analysis of township staffing, designate personnel to write grants, establish key partnerships to gain resources, and leverage technology to streamline costs. Flooding. Support a comprehensive plan, prioritize tasks to complete now and have a solid impact. Evolve a proactive approach focusing our ongoing efforts on more ownership of this issue and routine maintenance procedures. Faith. Decades later and some of the same issues remain in Boardman! We can't expect anything to be different if we keep electing the same people. It is time for change. I have the ability to come in with a fresh perspective, be an asset to the township, impact and empower our township team to create a Better Boardman. I am the community, not a long-time politician who is ok with the status quo.

Tabitha Fitz-Patrick (D)

162 Melrose Ave.

Youngstown, Ohio 44512

Age: 32

Occupation: Therapist

Education: Bachelors in the Arts: Majoring in Psychology, Minor in Sociology. Master's in social work.

Qualifications for Office: Licensed Social Worker, Professional Advocate.

Answer: An issue facing my community is flooding. Some ideas to gain more funding to help with the flooding/ infrastructure issues: Taxing NON RESIDENTS for the privilege of working in Boardman

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Township; Lobby & Advocating in Columbus for more funding for our road department; Fund Raising -Create an infrastructure stabilization account and encourage all businesses located in Boardman Township to make a donation;partnering with the local Universities for any studies needed. It is necessary to provide the best safety services in Boardman Township, I want to continue to support our safety services and make sure they have adequate funding to continue to do the best job possible for our community. Additionally, looking into alternative ways to advocate for our community and be the voice that represents the residents and advocate for the changes the community is advocating for so Boardman can continue to be a nice place to call home.

Larry Moliterno

427 Gardenvue Drive
Boardman, Ohio 44512

Age: 57

Occupation: Chief Executive Officer, Meridian Healthcare

Education: BA and MBA, Youngstown State University

Qualifications for Office: 12 years of proven leadership. Serves as Treasurer of Mahoning County Land Bank. Initiated and updated Boardman's strategic plan. Led the construction of new fire station. Increased police presence in our schools. Initiated collaborative projects with other local governments.

Answer: Boardman will continue to address storm water drainage issues as we have done for several years. Since 1980, every new development must include adequate storm water management plans. Also, since 1993, the Township has received over \$3 million in grants to address this issue. The Township will accelerate these projects in cooperation with the ABC Water District. Boardman has seen a drastic reduction in government funding and yet has seen operating costs increase dramatically. We have maintained services despite these challenges. We will continue to lobby state legislators for increased financial support while working collaboratively with other communities to provide services more efficiently. Through public input, we are developing a vision of Boardman's future. We will support the new era of retail and commercial businesses and the revitalization of our neighborhoods through a dynamic and progressive planning vision that includes an updated zoning

code and multiple community initiatives.

Fiscal Officer

1 to elect; 4 yr term

William Leicht

8550 Ivy Hill Dr. #14
Poland, OH 44514

No response received

David Moliterno

2038 Wingate Rd
Youngstown OH 44514

Age: 29

Occupation: Financial Services Agency Owner

Education: The American College of Financial Services

Qualifications for Office: Nearly a decade in the financial sector specifically in budgeting, payroll and employment services.

Answer: 1 Boardman has been plagued with flooding for decades.

As part of the job in office it is imperative that we work with the county, state, and federal offices to bring in funding to fix the problems and stop passing the blame. 2 Financial transparency and accuracy is one of my primary concerns. Boardman fiscal office has come back with many errors on past State audits. It is important to set up procedures to help correct these issues. 3 Boardman residents currently pay the highest property tax in the county. It is my goal to search out additional funding methods to help reduce the burden on the residents.

Canfield Township

Trustee

1 to elect; 4 yr. term

Joe Paloski (NP)

3663 Tippecanoe Place
Canfield, OH 44406

Age: 34

Occupation: Township Trustee

Education: BA Political Science and MA History from YSU

Qualifications for Office: I have four years of experience as trustee. We have been under budget, transparent with meeting minutes, home values have increased by 9.1%, lower tax rates than other municipalities, paved 15 roads and we are fixing our infrastructure.

Answer:

Infrastructure: Continue to apply for OPWC grant funds to receive additional funding for

paving streets/major road safety upgrades, purchase a new one-ton dump truck and a new snow plow truck for road maintenance, establish a five-year paving program to inform residents when their street will be paved. 2020 Paving Program: Pheasant Run, Cedar Park and the eastern section of Sugarbush Drive. Stormwater: We are working with the ABC Water District to continue to replace catch basins and aging stormwater infrastructure. The township will implement street sweeping this Fall. Complete a hydrological study through the ABC Water District to determine where to build stormwater detention structures and increase the capacity of current detention areas to alleviate flooding issues in the northeast quadrant of the Township. Water Service: Bring water service to the western portion of the township through the ABC Water District for residents and businesses.

Emilio Sebastiani

4693 Shields Rd.
Canfield, OH 44406

No response received

Fiscal Officer

1 to elect; 4 yr. term

Denise Joseph

6071 Deer Spring Run
Canfield, OH 44406

No response received

Coitsville Township

Trustee

1 to elect; 4 yr. term

Phyllis Miller Johnson

6767 McGuffey Road
Lowellville, Ohio

Occupation: Youngstown State University, Coordinator for the University Partnership Program.

Education: B.A. from Youngstown State University, MSSA, from Case Western Reserve University, Licensed Independent Social Worker, LISW-S

Qualifications for Office: 17 years as Coitsville Township Trustee, 34 years of experience in child welfare administration and management. Skilled in securing grant monies for township needs.

Answer: Issue - Road improvements including township

and county roads. Solution - Work closely with Mahoning County Commissioners and County Engineer's office to improve the conditions of county roads and clean ditches to alleviate water flow problems. Secure grant monies to improve township maintained roads. Issue - Zoning. Solution - Revise, update and enforce Township Zoning Ordinances to today's standards in order to improve the look and feel of the township and entice growth and development. Issue - Injection Well. Solution - Address safety and health concerns to the state government including Governor DeWine, ODNR and ODOT. Work with environmentally conscientious groups to expose dangers, monitor the injection well status and keep our residents informed.

Nick Pope

5021 Cooper Rd.
Coitsville, OH 44436

No response received

Fiscal Officer

1 to elect; 4 yr. term

Sonja Gilliam

2100 North Stateline Rd.
Hubbard, OH 44425

No response received

Christeen Partika

6050 Villa Marie Road
Lowellville, Ohio 44436

Age: 55

Occupation: Township Fiscal Officer-20 years

Education: BS in Business Administration-Youngstown State University, Certified Public Investment Manager, Ohio Township Leadership Academy.

Qualifications for Office: Trained in State Uniform Accounting Network, Public Records, Ethics, Budget Analysis, Auditing, Grant Management. Served as State Auditor Visiting Clerk training other Fiscal Officers, Executive Director Volunteer Service to Seniors.

Answer: As Fiscal Officer it is imperative that I work closely with the Board of Trustees to ensure proper funding, transparency and compliance for priorities established by the Board. Deteriorating road conditions are a primary concern. I will prioritize local resources to be used as a local match for grants, increasing the potential to secure competitive grants. I will continue to secure new and

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innovative funding sources that will not increase the burden on taxpayers, such as zero interest loans. Government transparency is essential, therefore, I will continue to utilize Ohio's Online Checkbook, to empower residents to see how their tax dollars are spent. I will continue working closely with Department Heads to ensure that Police and Fire budgets are compliant with the voted levies and maintain strong internal controls to ensure all accounts are paid in a timely manner enabling Coitsville to continue our 20 year record of Clean Audits.

Ellsworth Township Trustee

1 to elect; 4 yr. term

William A. Spellman

6115 Lonesome Dove Dr.
North Jackson, Ohio 44451

Age: 62

Occupation: Shift Manager

Education: High School Graduate, Western Reserve High School

Qualifications for Office: Trustee 2004-present. I have training in management, communication, conflict resolution and diversity training. I also sit on the board of the Mahoning County Land Bank

Answer: Like all local governments Ellsworth's biggest issue is the ever decreasing funding. Trying to maintain services such as Fire and EMS at a level our residents deserve without asking for more money is an ongoing challenge. I will continue to strive to be a good steward of our taxpayers money by making prudent financial decisions. We need to continue working harder to do more with less. I will work on continuing utilizing shared services and ideas with other townships, county and state. When we work together it can lead to a win win for all involved. I also will continue maintaining good relationships with county offices such as the Mahoning County Sheriff's Department and Mahoning County Engineers.

Fiscal Officer

1 to elect/4 yr.term

James Decenso

11300 Leffingwell Rd.
Berlin Center, OH 44401
No response received

Goshen Township Trustee

One to elect; full 4 yr. term
One to elect; Unexpired term
12/31/21)

Shawn Mesler (full term)

15292 Garfield Rd.
Salem, OH 44460

Age: 47

Occupation: Captain with the Salem Fire Department; Equipment Operator at Martig Farms

Education: Graduated from Minerva High School

Qualifications for Office: My excavating experience will help with decisions to maintain township roads

Answer:

We have a dwindling number of volunteer firefighters and EMS personnel. I would like to see the local government officials become involved with helping our local fire department. Educate the public and other officials of the widespread problem, and work with department members to develop options for the communities safety. Road conditions are in need of repair. Work with the township road crew with ideas to maintain roads and equipment. Make sure ditches, catch basins, and culverts are cleaned to allow proper drainage. Make sure cracks and holes are sealed so water doesn't enter them and freeze. Work with county officials to ensure roads that are in the township but the county is responsible for are maintained. We have a large police officer turnover rate. Work with the police administration to try to maintain qualified and experienced officers.

Robert McCracken (full term)

12894 Duck Creek Rd.
Salem, OH 44460
No response received

Rob Spencer (Unexpired term 12/31/21)

11789 Smith Goshen Rd.
Beloit, OH 44609

Age: 69

Occupation: Transit Sales Manager, Myers Equipment and Goshen Twp. Trustee

Education: West Branch, Kent State

Qualifications for Office: Township Trustee, Sales Manager Skills

Answer: Roads – continue to maintain and upgrade roads. Help to acquire grants to do so. Police Protection – work to maintain and sustain our police force. Cemeteries – looking to re-store and improve our cemeteries.

John A. Bricker

14380 W. South Range Rd.
Salem, OH 44460
No response received

Fiscal Officer

1 to elect; 4 yr. term

Thomas Knoedler

14775 Seacrist Rd.
Salem, OH 44460

No response received

Green Township Trustee

1 to elect; 4 yr. term

David A. Slagle

5620 S.R. 165
P.O. Box 13
Greenford, OH 44422
No response received

Fiscal Officer

1 to elect; 4 yr. term

Randy Chismar

10121 Washingtonville Rd.
Canfield, OH 44406
No response received

Jackson Township Trustee

One to elect; 4 yr. term

Thomas M. Frost

2177 Rosemont Rd.
North Jackson, OH 44451
Age: 65

Occupation: Retired

Education: Youngstown State University

Qualifications for Office: Concluding my second term as Trustee

Answer: 1) Emergency Medical Service. Work along side our safety forces to rectify this

problem 2) Zoning infractions Step enforcement of our current Zoning rules 3) Continue to address infrastructure issues throughout Jackson to improve safety and quality of life for our residents. Continue to use the Tax Increment Financing (TIF), derived from new taxes due to the abolishment of Tax Abatement. This will be a continued income stream, paid by any and all new commercial construction and the previously abated property tax on commercial property, within Jackson Township.

Fiscal Officer

1 to elect; 4 yr. term

Judy Patton

12906 Gladstone Rd.
North Jackson, OH 44451
No response received

Milton Township Trustee

1 to elect; 4 yr. term

David Tomaino

18235 Lillian Dr.
Lake Milton, OH 44429
No response received

Fiscal Officer

1 to elect; 4 yr. term

Lisa Balsinger

284 S. Pricetown Rd.
Diamond, OH 44412
No response received

Poland Township Trustee

1 to elect/ 4 yr. term

Ricky Morrison

2294 Hamilton Avenue
Poland, OH 44514

Age: 43

Occupation: Business owner
Education: 1995 Wilson High School Graduate

Qualifications: I am a successful business owner in the community having experience with managing employees, budgets, and contracts. I'm also a current member of the Poland Board of Zoning Appeals helping residents find solutions

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to their zoning and construction issues.

Answer: 1. Communication with our residents – have face to face contact with residents not solving problems over the phone or in a public meeting. Rather meet them at their home or at the problem areas. 2. Work with our surrounding communities and share services to save tax payers money. Solutions – build rapport with other local officials and leaders that our township is lacking. 3. Flooding – Poland has an on going issue with flooding in many neighborhoods. I have two (2) plans that were set in place by previous trustees but haven't been implemented. I would like to move forward on at least one of these plans that I feel will alleviate a major flooding issue.

Eric Ungaro

7127 Youngstown Pittsburgh Rd.
Poland, OH 44514

Age: 49

Occupation: Special Education Teacher – Present Poland Trustee

Education: Masters in Administration

Qualifications for Office: Poland Trustee 2012. Chair Western Reserve Joint Fire District - Past Chair Mahoning County Mental Health and Recovery Board Member. I have worked with 4 different Trustees and 2 different Fiscal officers the last 8 years. Always putting the residents first.

Answer: We are ranked one of the safest communities in Ohio. We need to continue that trend even in the face of the State of Ohio cutting our local funding. We will continue to work with our Policemen to make sure they are adequately prepared and have the proper equipment.

Now that we have paved 40 miles of Township roads - we must continue to address our aging infrastructure and road department equipment. We will work with the County and neighboring communities to keep our shared services relationships in line and help with cost. We will also work with our union to prioritize equipment replacement schedule.

Continue our strong relationship with The Poland Local Schools and Western Reserve Joint Fire District. This relationship has grown the last 8 years. We have formed a great partnership and have helped each other through the years with cost savings and expansion.

Fiscal Officer

Paul J. Canter

8332 Wildflower Ln.
Poland, OH 44514
No response received

Smith Township

Trustee

1 to elect/4 yr.term

Scott Showalter

17111 W. Middletown Rd.
Beloit, OH 44609
No response received

Fiscal Officer

1 to elect/4 yr. term

Audrey Fox

19870 Heisler Rd.
North Benton, OH 44449
No response received

Springfield Township

Trustee

1 to elect/4 yr.term

Eddie Conner

3400 E. South Range Rd.
New Springfield, OH 44443
No response received

Don Ridzon

3200 Columbiana Rd.
New Springfield, OH 44443
No response received

Bradley L. Stacy

12079 Youngstown Pittsburgh Rd.
Petersburg, OH 44454
No response received.

Fiscal Officer

1 to elect; 4 yr. term

Laurie Applegarth

11481 Beard Rd.
New Springfield, OH 44443
No response received

BOARDS OF EDUCATIONS

Question:

A. What is your motivation for seeking this office?

B. What are your priorities for the school district?

Mahoning County Educational Service Center

2 to elect; 4 year term

Marie Dockry

1870 Mary Place
Austintown, Oh 44515

Age: 61

Occupation: School Counselor, Austintown Local Schools

Education: Bachelor of Science in Education, Youngstown State University, Master of Science in School and Community Counseling, Youngstown State University

Qualifications for Office: Experienced as a teacher, school counselor, and governing board member.

Answer:

Honored to have served as a board member since the fall of 1995. Proud to have been able to collaborate with my fellow board members to be able to provide quality educational services to our students and staff throughout our valley's school districts for over the past 20 years.

My priorities for our office is to continue working with my fellow board members, our superintendent, and other educational professionals to deliver quality services and professional development opportunities to students and other educators in districts at an affordable rate. Also, remaining knowledgeable about all current educational issues in order to help develop and/or implement programs and policies to meet the challenges of these educational issues.

Craig Brown

29918 Hartley
Salem, OH 44406

Age: 42

Occupation: Community Development Specialist, BHJMPH, Adjunct Lecturer, KSU

Education: University of Akron, M.A.P.; Ohio Dominion University, B.A.

Qualifications for Office: Former county recorder (2 terms), 15 years higher education teaching experience, Presidential Electoral College Member (2004)

Answer: MCECSC must continue to provide professional support for its partners. We need to commit ourselves to creating a strong foundation for learning and job preparation to prepare our students for a new regional economy embracing both technical and vocational opportunities. School safety must be a countywide priority. We must help all districts take the necessary steps to assure the physical safety and emotional health of our children.

A Ross Douglas (Write-In)

3655 Villa Rosa Dr.
Canfield, OH 44406

Age: 45

Occupation: Attorney

Education: Youngstown State University, B.A., 1997, Duquesne University Law School, J.D. 2000.

Qualifications for Office: I was honored to serve on the Board of the Youngstown Community School for several years under Sister Jerome Corcoran which provided me with insight into the nuances of the operation of the Mahoning County Educational Service Center.

Answer: Our children are our greatest accomplishment, and I believe that it is my duty to serve them. I will strive to provide each child high quality educational services by employing innovative and cost effective strategies to ensure their future success in our ever evolving global economy. The importance of early child education along with student achievement must be emphasized since it serves as the foundation for our children's success. Steadfast commitment to leadership through the Mahoning County Educational Service Center will increase graduation rates and ensure that our children are prepared at the highest level to enter the workforce.

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Austintown Local Schools

2 to elect – 4-yr. term

Dr. David Ritchie

125 Fitch Blvd.

Austintown, Ohio 44515

No response received

Kimberly A. Smrek

515 Crimson Ct.

Austintown, OH 44515

Age: 51

Occupation: Accountant

Education: Fitch High School, Youngstown State University

Qualifications for Office:

25+ years of accounting and management experience. Chaired and Co-chaired the last two bond issues and a levy renewal. Member of the District Leadership and AMS Building Leadership teams. Board member of PTA and numerous booster organizations in Austintown Local School District.

Answer: I am a lifelong resident of Austintown with three children in our school district which needs to continue to restore the trust with our parents, employees and community taxpayers. Our school district needs to improve accountability, communication and transparency to eliminate the negativity that continues to plague our district. The district needs to ensure financial stability, meet educational changes/needs to increase graduation rates that enable our district to graduate students prepared for a variety of vocations, address student retention and attract our district students to return, also continue to improve employee relationships with open discussions, and continue to provide the best security measures for our schools and students. Proactively communicating our district's decisions and future goals prior to negative press coverage will help repair the trust the parents and taxpayers currently have.

Harold Porter

5220 N. Beacon Dr.

Austintown, OH 44515

Age: 49

Occupation: RN/Paramedic Business Owner

Education: Nursing Degree

Qualifications for Office:

Business Owner; 8 years Board of Education member. Father of 5 with 3 kids still students in the district. Wife that's a teacher in the district.

Answer: I believe respectable, committed members of society are a product of their school district. With this in mind, I intend to direct my efforts – as I have for the previous eight years – towards targeting the potential productivity and success of our community at its root. Upon my reelection to the Board, I will focus on enforcing school safety (namely playground safety) improving transportation by bringing about an influx of drivers and retaining experienced well trained staff.

Nick Cocca

3812 Elmwood Ave.

Austintown, OH 44515

No response received

Boardman Local Schools

2 to elect – 4 year term

Jeff Barone

805 Park Harbour Dr.

Boardman, OH 44512

Age 54

Occupation: Financial Advisor
Education: B.S. B.A. Youngstown State University

Qualifications for Office: My education, work experience, and many years of community service including serving on the Boardman Local School Board for nearly the past four years have prepared me to serve in this capacity.

Answer: My motivation to seeking this office is to continue our Board mandate of fiscal responsibility and academic excellence in Boardman Schools. I will continue to work closely with our Board and administrators to do what is best, not only for the short term but long term health of the district as well. My priorities are to share a completed well thought out Boardman Schools ten year plan to the community in the spring of 2020. One of our primary goals will be to replace Boardman Center Intermediate School with additional financial assistance from our state and without an additional tax burden on our community. This will be a monumental task. We will

continue the charge of improving our schools by addressing weaknesses and inefficiencies all while keeping our students first.

Matthew Ellis

139 Centervale Ave.

Boardman, OH 44512

No response received

Frank Zetts

617 Forest Ridge Dr.

Boardman, Ohio 44512

Age: 57

Occupation: Self-employed

Education: Bachelors degree and Associate degree at Youngstown State University

Qualifications for Office:

Currently serve as Board member for the Boardman School District for the last four years. In this time as a board member many financial decisions that benefited the school district during these four years.

Answer: To continually fulfill my commitment of my obligation of public service to the community. To make important decisions that will further maintain the integrity of the school standards of the Boardman schools that have been the standard for many decades: standards Boardman is known for. Make smart financial decisions and follow the 10-year plan. Priorities for the school district is a challenge in today's economy referring to the financial state of our community. We have less resources and tax dollars that's why we need to be more creative in finances.

Campbell City Schools

2 to elect – 4 year term

Beth Donofrio

406 Penhale Ave.

Campbell, OH 44505

No response received

Bill Valentino

527 Cynthia Dr.

Campbell, OH 44505

No response received

Canfield Local Schools

2 to elect – 4 year terms

Jennifer Kluchar

64 Neff Dr.

Canfield, OH 44406

Age: 47

Occupation: Teacher

Education: BS in Education (1993), MS in Education, Special Education (1999), Post Graduate hours from YSU to complete Principal (PreK-6, 4-9, & 5-12 Licensure) (2017).

Qualifications for Office:

Experience lobbying for education, volunteer experience in the schools, grassroots activism, and an unbridled passion to serve the community and our scholars.

Answer: My motivation is simple, I want to serve. I spent many years serving the various booster groups for the activities my children did. Now that my older children have graduated, I have the opportunity to expand my passion to the entire district. As a school board member, I will prioritize leveraging district resources to provide the best educational services to the Canfield Community. I will use my collaborative skills with existing board members and administrators, listening skills with community members, and education and political experience to enhance our policy measures. I will also bring to the table opportunities which may have been previously overlooked in this district. I have learned that leaders do not need to conceive the best ideas; they only need to recognize them. Having extensive studies of other districts while doing my graduate work, I bring a nuanced objective eye to the models we can consider.

David Wilkeson

4641 Canfield Niles Rd.

Canfield, OH 44406

Age: 49

Occupation: Technology Consultant

Education: 1988 Canfield graduate. YSU, Chemical Engineering and Computer Science

Qualifications for Office: 4

years on the Canfield Board of Education. 2 years as Board President. 29 years as a technology company owner. 23 years as director of the Camp Fitch Computer Camp. Part time Information Security and E-Commerce instructor at YSU.

Answer: Being a lifelong Canfield resident and Canfield Schools graduate, I have a deep loyalty to our school district. Canfield Schools provided me with the

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foundation for the things that I have earned in my career. I feel that my experience can help prepare and provide direction to Canfield schools as we move forward, and that will benefit all the current and future students of the District.

My number one priority for the District is to continue to provide high quality, well rounded education to our students. To do that, there are some challenges that must be addressed. One of the primary challenges is the state of some of our facilities. We have areas in some of our buildings that need significant upgrades to provide a modern learning environment. We have to find an economical long term solution to those challenges so that we don't waste money on short term fixes.

Jackson Milton Local School District

2 to elect – 4 year term

Tom Huff

2956 Alexander St.
Lake Milton, OH 44429
No response received

Robert Vernon

15880 Palmyra Rd.
Diamond, OH 44412
No response received

Lowellville Local Schools

2 to elect – 4 year term

Gerald Jerry Dubos

2585 S. Hubbard Rd.
Lowellville, OH 44436
No response received

Joe Sturm

2122 Bedford Rd.
Lowellville, OH 44436
No response received

Poland Local School District

3 to elect – 4 year term

Gregory Kibler

2974 Algonquin Dr.
Poland, OH 44514

Age: 35

Occupation: Deputy Chief of Data

Education: Data Fellowship with Center for Education, Policy and Research at Harvard University, M.Ed. Leadership American College of Education, M.S. Curriculum and Instruction Youngstown State University,

Qualifications for Office: I have experience in education as a teacher, coach, parent, administrator, and leader.

Answer: I am seeking this office because I believe that I have the ability to make a positive difference for the students and community of Poland. Education is constantly changing and you need to have someone who understands it on the school board. As a former teacher and coach, as well as a current administrator, I could bring an education-minded point of view to the school board to ensure all of our students are learning and being supported properly. Within Poland there is a strong sense of tradition. As a board member, I would like to continue that, while ensuring our students are learning. I would like to revisit the strategic plan and adjust to see our students succeed in school and in life. I believe that our families and community are great supporters for our students and I would like to develop more than it already is.

Robert Shovlin

1738 Island Dr.
Poland, OH 44514
No response received

Elinor Zedaker

70 Poland Manor
Poland, OH 44514

Occupation: Retired from YSU Foundation

Education: YSU - A.A.B.

Qualifications for Office: Have long-standing dedication to Poland Schools and community; serve as liaison to Poland Schools Foundation; Honorary Life

Member of PTA; additional other experience including a national board and number of community boards.

Answer: I am committed to continue working hard for the Poland School District. It has been built on a tradition of excellence and each student should receive a strong education based on their individual needs and desires.

My priorities are to ensure Poland students are prepared for their future endeavors throughout the world. Students K-12 must experience enriching academic programs and extracurricular activities at every level. We will continue to maintain a safe environment in the classroom and throughout our facilities. Attract and maintain qualified faculty and staff who inspire students and foster success in the classroom. Students should be able to utilize a broad application of technology. Support the district's financial stability and continue the implementation of the Five-Year Strategic Plan.

James P. Lavorini

2890 Lee Lynn Ct.
Poland, OH 44514
No response received

Troy V. Polis

6009 Frontier Dr.
Poland, OH 44514

Age: 26

Occupation: Real Estate Agent

Education: B.S. Marketing/ Management Youngstown State University, Real Estate License

Qualifications for Office: Graduating only seven years ago, I understand how the schools operate and function on a daily basis. Working at the Poland Swim Club during the summer months keeps me in constant contact with families of all ages.

Answer: I'm a 2012 Poland Seminary graduate. Upon graduation, I earned a bachelor of science in business marketing/ management from Youngstown State University. I started my professional career in media sales and now work in Real Estate. I'm very passionate about my community and believe the key to a strong community is a school district that develops intellectual minds. I understand the state funding issues and the changing social economic culture of our community. I want to ensure the community will demonstrate fiscal responsibility while providing the district the necessary resources to position our students for continued success in the classroom and the community.

Annie Colucci

63 Alverne Dr.
Poland, OH 44514
No response received

Larry Warren

2956 Palmarie Dr.
Poland, OH 44514

Age: 75

Occupation: Retired

Education: BS Ed. M Ed.

Qualifications for Office: My professional career has been spent in education. I have been a teacher, counselor and administrator. For my entire career, I was involved in a number of business/education cooperatives that gave me great insight into the dynamics of both the public and private sectors.

Answer: My greatest motivation is that of proper planning for the future of the district. As with many districts, our enrollment is dropping, presenting many challenges yet providing many opportunities. The school board is empowered with setting policy for the district. As such, it is incumbent on that board to determine where we are going and where we want to go as a district. Many of our talented residents came together to draft a strategic plan. The school board needs to take the lead in using that plan to determine a way forward.

My priorities: (1) Focus on the draft plan established by the community. Adherence to an effective plan can empower us to control our destiny and not be swept along by events beyond our control. (2) Maintain effective communication with stakeholders. (3) Actively listen to all residents in our quest to remain an outstanding school district.

Sebring Local Schools

2 to elect full term; 1 to elect unexpired term

Robin Ann Flowers

496 W. Indiana Ave.
Sebring, OH 44672 (full term)
No response received

Melinda Vecchio

196 E. Michigan Ave.
Sebring, OH 44672 (full term)
No response received

Scott Latham

688 S. 14th St.

Sebring, OH 44672 (unexpired term 12/31/2021)

*No response received***South Range Local School District**

2 to elect – 4 year term

Corey Yoakam

12112 Woodworth Rd.

North Lima, OH 44452

Occupation :Director of School Safety and Violence Prevention**Education**: B.S. Special Education Youngstown State University; M.A Curriculum and Instruction Western Governors University; M.Ed Educational Administration American College of Education**Qualifications for Office**:

Incumbent. I have experience in business and educational sectors (been teacher and administrator).

Answer: I want to continue to advocate for our kids while being fiscally responsible. I would like to continue to take the strengths that we are known for, while constantly improving and looking ahead to the future. I have 3 years being an aide, 5 years experience as a teacher, and 2 years being an administrator in education. I want to continue bringing my experience to the board as I believe we have work to do to further grow our great district. We have a very diverse board currently that works very well together while representing everyone in the community.**Amy White**

8775 W. Pine Lake Rd.

Salem, OH 44460

*No response received***Springfield Local School District**

2 to elect – 4 year term

Zonda Haase

9800 Felger Rd.

New Middletown, OH 44452

Age: 73**Occupation**: Retired Licensed Professional Counselor**Education**: M.S. Education – Youngstown State University**Qualifications for Office**:

President - Springfield Local Board of Education; President, Springfield Local Alumni Association; President - Springfield Township Historical Society; Past Director - Children and teen ministries in Free Methodist Church (local and state), local deacon; Graduate of Springfield Local

Answer: Being prepared for adulthood and independence at a legal age is the goal of each student who enters our school systems. The 21st century schools must provide knowledge not only in basic areas of communication, science, mathematics, social studies, history and technology, but also schools are expected to teach team work, healthy competition, good nutrition, safety in relationships and career skills. The government is to serve the citizens and provide adequate financial funding to achieve educational goals.

The educational opportunities should include public schools, community schools for specialized educational needs, parochial and religious schools, college and technical schools. Charter schools must be under the same regulations as public schools because of the funding through state tax dollars.

Michelle Snyder

11708 Springfield Rd.

North Lima, OH 44442

*No response received***Struthers City Schools**

2 to elect – 4 year term

Walter Baber

2266 W. Manor Ave.

Poland, OH 44514

Occupation: Engineering/ Project Lead the Way Instructor at Mahoning County Career and Technical Center**Education**: Youngstown State University B.A.S, Civil Engineering Technology; B.S.Ed, Integrated Sciences, Kent State University; M.eD., Career and Technical Education**Qualifications for Office**:

Rooted in the district with 8

years teaching experience and many additional years in business management.

Answer: I am seeking reelection to the Struthers City School District so that I can continue to help the current board members guide the district into the future. Many schools in this area struggle with declining enrollment and balancing a shrinking budget while attempting to deliver a first class, 21st century education. Students have choices of districts and Struthers City Schools needs to continue to create ways to rise to the top of the list. My priorities for the district start with kicking off the Wildcat 360 Strategic Plan in a strong and positive manner in an effort to cultivate the same level of success that was seen from the previous strategic plan. Many of these newly developed priorities focus on better opportunities in academics, athletics, and extra-curricular activities for the students so that Struthers City Schools will continue to be a district of choice for students, teachers, and administrators.**Jim Kavouras**

56 Renee Dr.

Struthers, OH 44471

*No response received***Chester Leone**

144 Wilson St.

Struthers, OH 44471

*No response received***West Branch Local School District**

2 to elect – 4 year term

Bryan R. Hobbins

12593 St. Rt. 534

Salem, OH 44460

*No response received***Mikki Kanagy**

12450 Malmsberry Rd.

Beloit, OH 44609

Age: 43**Occupation**: Physician Assistant at Aultman Alliance Hospital and Director of MAC Wellness Clinic**Education**: MS in Physician Assistant Studies at Chatham University. B.S at University of Mount Union.**Qualifications for Office**: I have had invaluable experiences as a board of education member for the last 8 years, learning the intricacies of public school education.**Answer**: I am completely invested in my district and community as I have three children attending West Branch Schools. In my eight years I have helped initiate various projects and academic innovations and would like to see them come to fruition. I would also like to keep improving upon our academic success. My main priority is the safety of our children.**Zach Martin**

15060 Apple Blossom Trail

Beloit, Ohio 44609

Age: 35**Occupation**: Plant Manager, Aqua America**Education**: Associates of Science, Kent State**Qualifications for Office**: I have over a decade of experience creating, implementing and adhering to budgets for expenses and capital improvements. I'm an Army Combat Veteran of Operation Iraqi Freedom 3. I am a Ruritan and an Eagle Scout.**Answer**: My wife and I have three sons in the district. First, the Board of Education exists to communicate and work for the community. For too long I have watched the current board make motions and vote on items that are covert, never presenting to the public and never discussing items at meetings. This must change! I will work for the community and communicate effectively to facilitate positive change. Second, the financial information presented to the public is lacking key performance indicators. It is manipulated and doesn't adhere to accounting practices. Third, there are performance issues in the top administration that must be dealt with. We need positive solutions! We need GREAT administrators to lead our GREAT teachers! Whether you are for or against the levy, you have questions! I will develop an honest and transparent future for West Branch Local and the West Branch Community. Go Warriors! Vote Zach Martin!**Aaron Hawk**

26723 Georgetown Rd.

Homeworth, OH 44634

*No response received***Inform Yourself and Vote!**

Western Reserve Local School District

2 to elect – 4 year term

Debi Clegg

5249 S. Bailey Rd.
North Jackson, OH 44451
No response received

Melissa Potts

4959 Bedell Rd.
Berlin Center, OH 44401
No response received

Tracy Sinn

17049 Shilling Rd.
Berlin Center, OH 44401
No response received

Youngstown City School District

4 to elect – 4 year term

Barbara Brothers

1310 5th Ave. Apt. 1005
Youngstown, OH 44504

Occupation: Retired Academic Administrator and Professor of English

Education: BA in English Youngstown University; MA Western Reserve U; Ph D Kent State

Qualifications for Office: high school English teacher; Upward Bound Instructor; \$2.5 million Title II Teacher Enhancement Grant; Awards for High School/ College Partnerships (Council for Advancement and Support of Education, Mitau Award, NCTE)

Answer: I love teaching and learning and the public schools that support the well being of the community and give access to all to live a meaningful life. My roots here are deep: student teaching South High School; instructor in YSU's Upward Bound Program; city resident since 1979. We are blessed with incredible natural, artistic and human resources-- Mill Creek Park, the Butler Museum of American Arts, Sojourn to the Past to name a few-- and with local foundations that support their work. Public education is the enabler of our

future. For twenty years we have attacked this institution, using the hi-stakes testing industry to punish and deny resources to all public schools, diverting those resources to schools such as charters and vouchers that have no public accountability. We have clear evidence that the experiment has not worked and it is time we came together to support our public schools.

Brenda Kimble

371 Cabot St.
Youngstown, OH 44509

Qualifications for Office: 40 years of experience from parent involvement to serving two terms on the Board of Education, five years as President. Awarded Northeast Region Ohio School Boards Association's 2017 School Board Member of the Year. 5 years as the Mahoning Representative for the Ohio School Boards Association's Northeast Region Executive Committee.

Answer: During my service, I have striven to increase the educational achievement of our students; while leading the battle to restore public education from being systematically destroyed by H.B. 70 and privatization. Over this term my goals are to increase classroom funding and to champion policies that focus on children and families. This will consist of encouraging CEO Jennings to reestablish and to surpass the \$13 million reduction in classroom spending created by former CEO Mohip. Also to ensure that Union Contracts will be ratified and honored and that we gain the best talent and support services to aid are teachers, students, and families. The fight against H.B. 70 is a battle for equality for public education in Ohio's underserved rural and urban school districts, not just Youngstown. I will continue to fight this injustice and to ensure that our community and others are safeguarded.

Tiffany Patterson

47 S. Glenellen Ave.
Youngstown, OH 44509

Age: 47

Occupation: City of Youngstown, Adjunct Faculty EGCC, Freshman Volleyball Coach East High

Education: B.F.A. - Bachelor of Fine Arts; MBA - Master of Business Administration

Qualifications for Office: I meet all office qualifications in addition to being a product of Youngstown City Schools. I am a passionate and proud 1990 graduate of South

High School.

Answer: It's time to re-establish trust among district employees, parents and the CEO. While students should be the Youngstown School Board's #1 priority, I believe it is important that the Board remains receptive to the CEO, teachers and staff. I feel it is the Board's responsibility to create and encourage an open dialogue with the community. Every student has a right to go to school and be left alone to learn. It is the Board and the school's duty to protect that right. Like myself, if you are tired of all the bickering among adults that has absolutely nothing to do with our students and if you're ready for change and progress, let's hit the R.E.S.E.T. button together. (Reaching Every Student Effects Teachers)

Juanita Walker

602 ½ Carlotta Dr.
Youngstown, OH 44505

Age: 42

Occupation: Compliance Analyst and 504 Coordinator

Education: BS-Business Management, Master of Science-Management

Qualifications for Office: 18 and over, Registered voter and live in the district for the position that I am running for.

Answer: My motivation for seeking office is because there is a desperate need for change and the focus brought back on our children. We as adults need to stop being a part of the problem and be the solution! When I am a part of the district, I plan on ensuring that teachers and classrooms are equipped with the best, to effectively teach our children and ensure that each child will be equipped to have learning opportunities to achieve their highest level. That our schools are viewed as family-friendly community resources that strengthen our neighbors and know that I will be that board member who will be respectful, professional, approachable, knowledgeable, decisive and open to transformative ideas!

Patrick O'Leary

744 Glacier Hts.
Youngstown, OH 44509

Age: 38

Occupation: Professor (YSU)

Education: BS Early Childhood Ed (BGSU); MS Child Development (Purdue); PhD Child Development (Purdue)

Qualifications for Office: Professor of Early Childhood Ed

Answer: I seek to make the board functional once again by cooperating with board members, the CEO and other administration members, faculty and parents. My priorities: creating a successful community of learners by supporting all people working with our children.

Dario Hunter

439 Pasadena Ave.
Youngstown, OH 44507

Age: 36

Occupation: Coordinator for Jewish Life, College of Wooster

Education: B.A. (Princeton), LL.B. (Windsor), Juris Doctor (University of Detroit Mercy), Master of Laws (Wayne State).

Qualifications for Office:

In addition to four years on the Board, experience as an English teacher, an educational administrator and a former lawyer with expertise in labor and employment law.

Answer: I take a personal interest in the students and parents of the District and have been known to spend an entire day monitoring classes. I've fought for the public's right to know as Finance Committee Chair, remedied science curriculum deficiencies, and even gone to the bus garage to ensure proper bus route placements for students. I'm running to improve scores by: improving curriculum and access to resources (textbooks, computers), managing our spending better, ensuring qualified and licensed personnel, reducing dependence on substitutes, ending unqualified, expensive support programs (and replacing with qualified professionals), ending violence, improving staff professionalism and increasing parent input. I've been a strong advocate for the public's voice in education, but I've also supported better collaboration between the Board and the new CEO (Jennings) as well as the Academic Distress Commission. I'm one of the few members of the Board who voted for regular meetings with the ADC.

Nia Simms (Write-in)

519 Ferndale Ave.
Youngstown, OH 44511

Age: 46

Occupation: Supervisor@ CSS...Service Adults with Developmental Disabilities.

Education: Some College... Political Science

Qualifications for Office: Product of Youngstown City Schools. Children were in Youngstown City

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Schools. Ability to work together for our youth AND fight House Bill 70 IF need be.

Answer: The school board is not to catapult political careers. My motivation to run is wanting ALL of our youth to succeed and given THE SAME opportunity as Rayen Early College and Youngstown Early College. I want to look at the curriculum and research successful districts' curriculums. Want to ensure parents fully understand the IEP, their rights to enforce the plan, their right to get tested. To make sure students are not labeled IEP for money purposes. My priority: Become a leader for the board that will gain the respect and trust back from the community. Working together and hold EVERYONE accountable in rebuilding The School District...the city, church, parents, community, and the school system.

QUESTIONS, ISSUES, AND LIQUOR OPTIONS

Mahoning County

The Public Library of Youngstown and Mahoning County
Maintenance and Operation:
renewal 2.4 mills for 5 years

City of Campbell

Current operating expenses:
renewal 3.5 mills for 5 years

City of Columbiana

Fire department: renewal 2 mills
for 5 years

City of Struthers

Bond issue for new fire station:
\$2,000,000 for 13 years

Beaver Township

Police department: additional 2.9
mills for 5 years

Police department: renewal 3.6
mills for 5 years

Fire department: renewal 1 mill
for 5 years

Boardman Township

Roads: renewal 0.3 mill for 5 years
Boardman Park District

Maintaining the park: .03 mill for
5 years

Springfield Township

Police: replacement 1 mill for 5
years

Fire: replacement 1 mill for 5
years

Poland Village

Current expenses: renewal 3.2
mills for 5 years

Village of Sebring

Recreational purposes: renewal 1
mill for 5 years

Charter amendment, section
7.06, park and recreation board
membership

Charter amendment, section 7.11,
removal of members of boards
and commissions

Jackson Milton Local Schools

Emergency requirements: renewal
1.7 mills for 5 years

Westbranch Schools

School purposes: .5 percent
income tax, \$850,000 for 3 years

Liquor Options

Youngstown 4-B Westside Bowl
2617 Mahoning Avenue. Sunday
wine and mixed beverages and
spiritous liquor

Austintown 9 Calaveras Mexican
Bar and Grille 5511 Silica Rd.,
Unit 1. Sunday wine and mixed
beverages and spirituous liquor

Austintown 18 Barrel Head
Tavern 4740 Mahoning Avenue.
Sunday

Beaver 4 Giangelo's 919
Columbiana Canfield Rd. Weekly
and Sunday

Beaver 5 Avalon 1223 W. Western
Reserve Rd. Weekly and Sunday

Boardman 3 Aldi 6600 South
Avenue Weekly and Sunday

Boardman 9 Sheetz 134
Boardman Poland Rd. Weekly
and Sunday

Boardman 20 Shop N Go 5122
Market St. Sunday wine and
mixed beverages

Boardman 22 Johnny's 7334
Market St. Weekly and Sunday

Canfield Twp. 2 Peaberry's 4350
Boardman Canfield Rd. Weekly
and Sunday

Canfield Twp. Waypoint Pl. , 4180
Westford Pl., Weekly and Sunday

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