



CANDIDATE INFORMATION SHEET

Please fill out and return by October 30, 2015 (12:00 p.m. deadline) to the School Services Building at 510 G Street, Antioch, CA 94509. Attention: Superintendent's Office

Date: October 26, 2015

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(Last Name) (First Name) (Initial)

Business Address: _____ Phone: _____

Home Addr _____ Ph: _____

Occupation: Social Worker No. of Years Residing in District: 11

Do you have children in the district's schools? Yes _____ No X

If yes, please list ages and schools:

N/A

Have you worked on any school committees or participated in any school activities recently?
Please list them.

Yes. I have been the mom parent's an active member of my daughter's school's PTA for 5 years (K-4th grade, current). I assist with all school activities & fundraisers.

Other community or business activities?

I am active in my local church as the Education Committee Director. I also am active in the local chapter of my sorority, Contra Costa County Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta.

Why do you feel you want to be a school board member?

I am fair, honest, fiscally aware, culturally aware and interested in making a difference in my community. I believe students should be well-trained & educated in order to be productive members of society.

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What do you see as the basic purpose of the public schools?

To educate, motivate and encourage students to be competitive members of society.

What is the role of the school board in the fulfillment of that purpose?

To ensure that the policies & procedures established are fair, equitable and measurable for students & teachers to be the best that they can be. To develop & monitor new programs & initiatives that are nationwide standards for school systems.

What could be done to help improve communications and relationships among the board, staff, students, parents, and community?

Provide more opportunities to receive feedback, such as email notices, open forums between hall meetings setting up a 1-800 number for info & a place for people who leave messages.

What should be the relationships between the board members and the administration in the handling of school concerns?

Board members should lean on the knowledge & expertise of the administration in handling individual school concerns. But, be available for consultation & have the ability to make decisions as needed.

In what area of function as a board member would you have a particular interest or skill (i.e., public relations, budget, negotiations, evaluation, long-range planning, facilities, policy, etc.)?

I would be most interested in the public relations aspect and long range planning functions of the board.

What do you see as the strengths of the Antioch Unified School District?

The strengths include being open and available to families, students & teachers; & ensuring that quality education is provided and that budgets are adhered to as much as possible.

What do you see as the areas of most needing improvement in the school district?

Areas of improvement ~~include~~ include more culturally relevant activities & initiatives for students & teachers to participate in, more attention to curriculum & policies & procedures that need to be updated.