CONTRA COSTA COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION, AREA 5 GOVERNING BOARD MEMBER

CYNTHIA TEVES RUEHLIG

Trustee -- Area 5

Since 2011, I have served as Trustee for Antioch, Bay Point, Bethel Island, Brentwood, Byron, Clyde, Discovery Bay, Knightsen, Oakley and Pittsburg. I am honored and wish to continue representing your interest in educating our children.

I have ensured transparency and accountability giving highest priority to upholding the California Education Code in my decisions which include review and approval of budgets, educational programs, policy and regulation changes; as well as adjudication of appeals on expulsions, inter-district transfers and charter school applications.

Every child has a niche; every niche is ever changing. I believe in tapping the imagination for all students to shine in their unique circumstances through career technology programs and capstone courses that lead to lifetime passion in science and technology, health and social services, the arts, etc. I am determined to give every educational model the chance to prove its worth in delivering the knowledge and training necessary for our children to succeed in this evolving economy.

Thank you for your support.

Other Information:

California County Board of Education Annual Conference (2011, 2012, 2013)

St. Scholastica's College, Manila (1981) - Bachelor of Arts, English California State University, East Bay (2008) - Nonprofit Management

AFSCME 2700 Chief Steward (2009 - 2011)

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JEFF BELLE

Educator

I am running for the governing board of Contra Costa County Board of Education because I can bring excellence in education through fair and transparent policies which motivate, and engage classrooms and communities. I am married and have a daughter attending in the district and a son in graduate school at Cambridge University, Cambridge, England.

My professional experience includes many years in the health care profession as a clinician and educator. Further, I owned a government relations business and an Institute for training students in health care. Both leadership and management experiences provided me a wealth of practical knowledge in bringing out the very best in both students and clinicians.

Academically, I'm completing a Master of Public Administration (MPA) degree in Health Policy and have earned certificates in Health Policy and Public Health; Bachelor's degree in Political Science; and a Registered Respiratory Therapist.

I've been active in the PTSA by serving as legislative chair, and on the County's Transit Authority Advisory Committee, Emergency Medical Care Committee and Tobacco Prevention Coalition.

I will use my knowledge, experience and leadership skills to bring significant improvements by engaging Classrooms with Communities which produces fairness, caring, and excellence in education.

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