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I am announcing my candidacy and seeking your vote for one of the 3-year terms for School Board on the March 8, 2022 ballot. I was drawn to education at an early age, and I realized that dream upon earning my Master's degree in Education and settling in Pittsfield after interviewing and signing my first teaching contract as Pittsfield School District's first Reading Specialist. I was hired to establish a reading/language arts curriculum and work with students in the classroom, with small groups, and one-on-one instruction. I continue to have a genuine interest in education in our community. Today, however, rather than coming in with a single-issue focus, to set up a successful reading program, it is important that we focus on what is best for the academic success for ALL students in all subject areas across the board in our school district.

In addition to adopting a fiscally sound budget, the main function of the school board is to ensure that the school district is responsive to the values, beliefs, and priorities of the community while managing the school in accordance with state and federal laws. I am fortunate to have had the opportunity to serve on the Board for the past few months, and I believe that the skills attained in my work experience in personnel, budgeting, evaluating performance, training, and report writing provide a solid background for the skills needed as part of a collaborative team working with other board members.

I encourage you to cast your vote for someone who is interested in what is best for our students and their educational achievement. It is OUR students, OUR community, that I wish to represent as a member of the Pittsfield School Board.

I would appreciate your vote on March 8, 2022. Thank you.

February 1, 2022

Hi Pittsfield voters! My name is Molly Goggin and it has been my pleasure to serve on the Pittsfield School Board since I was appointed to a vacant seat in May 2021. I am asking for your vote for a 3-year term so that I may continue my service to our town and schools.

I have lived in Pittsfield for the past 16 years. My husband and I love this little town and have 3 children in the Pittsfield School District (ages 6, 8 and 12). I have been a public school teacher for the past 19 years and I hold 3 degrees in education (English secondary education, reading and writing specialist k-12 and educational leadership). Between my ties to this town, my connection to our schools and my own experience in education, I'm confident that my continued service on the board will prove beneficial to the school district and the town.

As a board member, I have enjoyed working closely with my fellow board members, the school district and the community at large. I care about informing our community about the happenings with our schools, so I write a bi-weekly update for the school board in *The Pittsfield Post*. In addition to my service on the board, I also served on the negotiating committee and helped to reach a collective bargaining agreement with the teacher's union. I am organized, articulate, and a strong communicator and collaborator.

I approach my service on the board with the lens of a proud community member, involved parent, and experienced educator. Even though I am a strong advocate for our schools, I have shown, through my time on the board, that I am most interested in pursuing the best outcomes for our students while balancing the needs of our community.

Sincerely,

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Diane Rider for School Board - 300 Word Introduction

While I have served on the school board, I have focused on two areas, in addition to regular board responsibilities:

1. Curriculum:

Inviting parents to join teaching staff as both groups seek to provide challenging, content-rich reading materials and rigorous math skills practice for students to be thoroughly prepared for each step in their academic journey.

2. Behavior Management:

Offering support and respect to teachers, and personal responsibility with appropriate consequences to students, to create an atmosphere for academic success for all.

I am interested in your opinion at rider.diane@protonmail.com

Over 20 years ago the residents of Pittsfield warmly welcomed me and my family into their town. Pittsfield has become our town. Our children have all worked for Pittsfield businesses. My husband operates his plumbing business here. I now have time to invest in the civic life of Pittsfield and it's only natural that I would choose the area of teaching and learning. Learning and seeing others positioned to learn is my passion!

My experience:

- teaching at private school in NH
- foster parenting up to seven additional children of multiple ethnicities in my home
- mentoring in a local program for at-risk teens
- successfully homeschooling our three children into college and careers
- participating in the largest homeschool co-op in NH
- teaching in a Classical Conversations homeschool co-op
- working as a para-educator at PES
- working as a librarian at two local libraries

Positive observations:

- ✓ new superintendent willing to address these two issues of concern
- ✓ curriculum by grade level posted on the district website
- ✓ high school summer reading lists coming
- ✓ promised purchase of a reading program for PES
- ✓ high school teacher reading source documents for American history
- ✓ high school media specialist who taught VLACS classes
- ✓ successful CRTC program

"Hello Pittsfield, my name is Adam J. Cote and I have been a resident of Pittsfield for over six years. With four children of my own and three of them in the Pittsfield schools already, I have experienced and witnessed both positive and negative aspects of the town's school system. I do not have prior school board experience, but my work experience gives me a unique perspective that I feel would benefit the schools as I was a successful and respected mortgage broker for over ten years in the NH/MA area and have recently transitioned into the role of full-time Senior Pastor at Merrimack Valley Church in Epsom NH. Ethics, integrity, hard work, discipline, accountability, and being a straight-shooter are qualities that I value both on a personal and professional level and would display if on the Pittsfield School Board as well. One of the reasons why my wife and I were attracted to Pittsfield was due to its local school system and its small-town feel, but I also know that the school system is just a piece of the whole town. We must, as a town, make and keep plans that take care of the adult and elderly residents just as much as we do the children. If on the school board, my focus will not be solely on the school system at the expense of the town but will make sure my position and perspective is for the benefit of the whole Pittsfield township. Thank you for your consideration."

Adam J. Cote

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To the Citizens of Pittsfield,

My name is Sarah Marston Duval and I am seeking election to the Pittsfield School Board for a one year term.

I was born and raised in Pittsfield and graduated from PHS in 1997. From there, I attended the University of New Hampshire and earned a Bachelor's Degree in Communication in 2001. Professionally, I work in Administration at Concord Eye Center, where I have worked for 16 years and I am very involved in the American Society of Ophthalmic Administrators (ASOA), holding an elite credential called the Certified Ophthalmic Executive (COE) and I sit on the National Board for the Certification of Ophthalmic Executives, recently having been voted Vice President. I also hold a clinical certification, the Certified Ophthalmic Assistant (COA). I am very involved in various committees within ASOA and I am a contributing author to the industry magazine, Administrative Eyecare.

My son, John, is a seventh grader at PMHS, where he plays on the Middle School basketball and baseball teams. We live on the family farm on Webster Mills Rd. Growing up on the farm and around the school bus company instilled a strong work ethic in me as well as a love of family and community, which I will bring with me to the Board, should I be elected to serve.

I seek a seat on the Pittsfield School Board because I see the challenged that our school district faces, as well as its downfalls, and I want to be a part of the solution to help move us forward. I feel strongly that curriculum needs to be improved from the bottom up, and that we need to focus on getting our Elementary students on grade level. That will, in turn, help to better position our high school students to ensure that they are well prepared for their future. I do not think that fault should lie solely on the high school and, given what I know currently, I am not in favor of closing Pittsfield High School. A school is the heartbeat of its community, and I believe that we can do the hard work to turn our high school around, and I ask for your vote on Tuesday, March 8, so that I may play a part in that process for the future of our town and our students. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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To the Pittsfield Community:

I would like to introduce myself as a candidate for the office of Pittsfield School District Clerk. My name is Erica Anthony and I am running for re-election. I am currently the Town Clerk/Tax Collector for the Town. I graduated from Pittsfield High School and continued my education at Wheaton College in Norton, Massachusetts, where I earned a Bachelor's Degree with a combined major in political science, economics and history. My current community involvement includes serving on the Blueberry Express Daycare Board of Directors and the Pittsfield Middle High School "Good to Great" team. I am a past Treasurer for the PMHS Booster Club, past Treasurer and President of the PES PTO, and past Treasurer for the First Congregational Church of Pittsfield.

I believe the experience I have gained as your current School District Clerk, your Town Clerk/Tax Collector and twenty plus years of experience in customer service will serve me well to continue in this role.

I appreciate this opportunity to introduce myself and express my interest in continuing to serve in this position.