

Mary Lynne Donohue



Mary Lynne Donohue grew up in Sheboygan and is a graduate of North High School, where her husband and sons also graduated. She left Sheboygan for higher education and returned here in 1981 after earning a BA in English Literature, MA in Comparative Literature, and Juris Doctor, all from UW-Madison. She later went on to earn an MA in Women's and Gender Studies in 2016 from UW-Milwaukee.

Mary Lynne is currently providing pro bono legal services through the Renters' Eviction Assistance Project in conjunction with Lakeshore CAP. She previously worked as a Legal Services attorney and as a private practice attorney for 33 years.

Mary Lynne has served on the Board of Governors of the State Bar of WI and the board of Wisconsin Humanities. She has also served on the boards of the WI Academy of Sciences, Arts and Letters; Planned Parenthood of WI; Sheboygan Common Council; Police and Fire Commission, and Civil Service Commission; as well as previous service on the SASD Board of Education (1996-2002); Sheboygan Co. Head Start; John Michael Kohler Art Center, Sheboygan Symphony Orchestra, Mead Public Library Board of Trustees, moderator, First Congregational Church, and other non-profit boards over the years.

What motivates you to serve on the Board of Education for the Sheboygan Area School District?

A strong, vibrant, inclusive public school system is the very foundation of our democracy. Without well-funded and well-regarded public schools, we truly cannot maintain and support our children, our families, and our democratic way of living. Our school board is here to advocate, encourage, and strengthen this wonderful school district.

What are you most proud of in the Sheboygan Area School District?

I continue to be incredibly impressed by the quality and tenacity of staff members, and awed by the persistence, energy, enthusiasm, and intelligence of our students. Forward!

President

**Joined
Board of Education:
2022**

**Term Expires:
2025**

**Committee
Assignments:**
Board President is ex-
officio on all committees



SHEBOYGAN AREA
— SCHOOL DISTRICT —

Santino Laster

Santino Laster has lived in Sheboygan since 2003. He earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in Criminal Justice from Lakeland College (now University) and a Master of Science degree in Leadership & Executive Management. He currently holds the position of Public Safety Specialist for Mead Library in Sheboygan.

In addition to his role with the Board of Education, Santino is involved with the Black-American Community Outreach (BACO), the Sheboygan County Housing Coalition, and as security leader for his church.

What motivates you to serve on the Board of Education for the Sheboygan Area School District?

I am beyond motivated knowing that I will be a strong voice for our children, families, teachers, and community. I'm motivated to continue to keep the school district enriched in a foundation built on strong values, strong morals, and diversity. I'm very blessed to have been elected by our community, to be a voice of reason and understanding.

What are you most proud of in the Sheboygan Area School District?

I'm most proud of the district's resilience. Our teachers, administration, and staff fight hard to ensure our children are put first. The WE mentality is amazing! Everyone is valued and their voices are being heard. This inclusive model is what continues to help our district grow personally and professionally. I believe that our district staff are highly professional and require our children to be great, not just in the classroom, but in life as well.



Vice President

**Joined
Board of Education:
2021**

**Term Expires:
2024**

**Committee
Assignments:**
Chair, Committee of the
Whole
Curriculum and Instruction
Facilities/Rec/Theatre
WASB Legislative
Delegate (Alternate)
WASB Legislative Contact



SHEBOYGAN AREA
— SCHOOL DISTRICT —

Kay Robbins

Kay Robbins has lived in Sheboygan since the mid-1970s. She served as a teacher in the Sheboygan Area School District from 1976 to 2011 and then as a substitute teacher until 2017. She earned a BS in English and Journalism Education from the University of Wisconsin-Madison and an MS in Education from Lakeland College (now University).

She enjoys volunteering at the Sheboygan County Food Bank and working to support candidates for local office who aim to improve the community for all its citizens.

Kay's favorite activity is spending time with her spouse, four children, and four grandchildren. She enjoys reading as many books as possible as well as working in the yard. Her two youngest children graduated from SASD.

What motivates you to serve on the Board of Education for the Sheboygan Area School District?

I have been involved in education all my life and believe it is the basis of a democratic society. Working on the Board is something I can do to give back to our community. Public service is very important to me.

What are you most proud of in the Sheboygan Area School District?

I am very proud of the constantly evolving efforts of our district to meet the needs of every child. We do not stand still.



Treasurer

**Joined
Board of Education:
2020**

**Term Expires:
2026**

**Committee
Assignments:**
Curriculum and Instruction
Facilities/Rec/Theatre

Human Growth and
Development



SHEBOYGAN AREA
— SCHOOL DISTRICT —

Susan Hein

Susan has lived in Sheboygan for most of her life. She earned her BA Teaching degree from Lakeland College (now University), an MA in Counseling from Marquette University, and a doctorate in Higher Education Organizational Leadership from the University of Southern Florida NOVA. She is currently employed as a Clinical Therapist at Counseling Center of Sheboygan.

Susan's family and her husband Daniel's family, including their children, are all SASD graduates. They are very proud of SASD and the accomplishments their children have achieved due to the education that they have received. Susan's husband serves on the Board of Directors for the Sheboygan Public Education Foundation. They participate in many activities and attend local sporting events.

Susan volunteers her time with the Sheboygan Service Club and Diploma Dash-Sheboygan Public Education Foundation.

What motivates you to serve on the Board of Education for the Sheboygan Area School District?

I serve on the School Board to support the district as it continues to engage all children in educational opportunities and preparation for their future.

What are you most proud of in the Sheboygan Area School District?

I am proud to be a member of the School Board, and of the commitment of my fellow School Board Members to provide excellent education to the SASD community. I am especially proud of our students, teachers, administrators and all staff members.



Clerk

Joined
Board of Education:
2010

Term Expires:
2025

Committee
Assignments:
Finance and Budget
Human Resources



SHEBOYGAN AREA
— SCHOOL DISTRICT —

Sarah Ruiz-Harrison



Sarah has lived in Sheboygan for over 30 years. She and her siblings all attended SASD schools, from grade school at James Madison, to middle school at Horace Mann, to graduating from South High. Sarah has an Associate Degree in Human Resources as well as a BA in Business Administration. She currently works as a Branch Manager at Fox Communities Credit Union, overseeing the Manitowoc and Two Rivers locations.

Sarah is an active member of the community, serving as a current Board Member of the Salvation Army of Manitowoc County, as well as the President of the Eastern Shores Credit Union Chapter as the citizen appointed to the Capital Improvements Committee. Sarah also serves as a Board Member of the Manitowoc Balloon Glow Committee and as a Committee Member of Leadership of Manitowoc County.

Sarah has a strong volunteer presence in the Sheboygan community and beyond. She has volunteered as a Salvation Army bell ringer and Sunday School teacher for over 10 years. She also volunteers for Rebuild Together, the Children's Miracle Network, Fisher House Wisconsin, Saint Clement Catholic Church, and Back 2 School Basics, which helps to provide school supplies for children. She also volunteers as a financial literacy representative at local Reality Fairs.

What motivates you to serve on the Board of Education for the Sheboygan Area School District?

Our rich diversity is what motivates me to serve on the board. Giving a voice to all our students and giving back to the community I so love.

What are you most proud of in the Sheboygan Area School District?

The teachers and faculty who want our students to be successful. I'm also proud of how diverse our schools are. I'm so blessed to be on the board and involved with a school district that truly cares for its students.

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Board of Education:
2022

Term Expires:
2026

Committee
Assignments:
Finance and Budget
Facilities/Rec/Theatre



SHEBOYGAN AREA
— SCHOOL DISTRICT —

Heidi Boehmer



Heidi has lived in Sheboygan for 8 years. Having grown up in western Nebraska where water was scarce, Heidi enjoys living near Lake Michigan and taking daily walks by the lake. She is an avid reader and documentary watcher, and she sings, kayaks, and is learning to play the ukelele. She and her husband, Eric, have three children who are currently enrolled in the Sheboygan Area School District.

Heidi earned her BA in Theatre and Speech/Communications at Northwestern College. She has worked as an elementary and high school teacher and as an education consultant specializing in best practices of education. She is currently a certified and accredited Emotional Freedom Techniques (EFT) practitioner in her private practice, Hope EFT. Heidi enjoys serving at the Sheboygan County Food Bank's Community Cafe. She tutors and mentors new neighbors through the Refugee Support Community, and is trained as a literacy tutor with the Literacy Council. She is also active in volunteer work through her church.

What motivates you to serve on the Board of Education for the Sheboygan Area School District?

I believe in civic duty and service to one's community. I'm passionate about education and am eager to share my training and experience. I'm excited to learn all I can about the workings of SASD and seek improvement where needed and to champion the many successes that our schools foster.

What are you most proud of in the Sheboygan Area School District?

I'm proud of our district's vision that each kid succeeds in their own path. Families can choose language options, arts and music, and sports and academic activities at all grade levels. I love that college-bound kids have so many opportunities to earn college credit while those looking to enter the workforce after graduation have opportunities for job-focused skill building with the many certificates available.

Joined
Board of Education:
2023

Term Expires:
2026

Committee
Assignments:
Finance and Budget
Human Resources

Sheboygan Public
Education Foundation
WASB Legislative
Contact



SHEBOYGAN AREA
— SCHOOL DISTRICT —

Mark Mancl

Mark has lived in Sheboygan for almost 30 years.

Mark graduated from Stevens Point High School, which is similar in size to the SASD, and then attended UW-Oshkosh to earn his degree in Criminal Justice and Political Science. He is employed by the Sheboygan County Sheriff's Department.

Mark has four children, all of whom have attended the Sheboygan Area School District. In his free time, Mark enjoys sports, musky fishing, and attending his children's activities.

What motivates you to serve on the Board of Education for the Sheboygan Area School District?

I have a vested interest in the efficient and effective operation of the SASD, based on having four children attending the district, while also being a property owner paying property taxes and income taxes. This balance of quality education at a reasonable cost is the foundation of my motivation of serving on the board.

What are you most proud of in the Sheboygan Area School District?

I am most proud of the diverse quality learning options that are offered for children to learn in a fashion that most suits their individual needs. At the same time, we also offer different paths for students to follow so that they are prepared for the next step in life upon graduation, whether that be a career, college, military, or something else.



Joined
Board of Education:
2006

Term Expires:
2025

Committee
Assignments:
Curriculum and Instruction
Human Resources
Legislative



SHEBOYGAN AREA
— SCHOOL DISTRICT —

Ryan Burg

Ryan is a lifelong resident of Sheboygan. He is a proud graduate of North High, and his wife Chris graduated from South High. Ryan is one of the few graduates who attended a primary school (Lincoln), elementary (U.S. Grant), junior high and middle school (Urban), and high school (North) in the SASD. Ryan and Chris have two children, Max and Alex.

Ryan's first involvement in the SASD outside of being a student and a parent was being an active PTO member at U.S. Grant Elementary and Étude Elementary. He also was active in long-range planning for the district and participated in the Middle School Study Committee.

He graduated from UW-Oshkosh with a bachelor's in Organizational Administration after about 20 years being away from formal schooling. Ryan is currently employed by HSA Bank as a Senior Associate.

Ryan was the founder and artistic director of Wild Rumpus Reader's Theatre, which performed for pre-K through elementary school students at Bookworm Gardens. He also has served as a deacon in his church.

What motivates you to serve on the Board of Education for the Sheboygan Area School District?

I'm motivated to serve because I want to make sure all students succeed, regardless of who they are, where they live, or what they want to become.

What are you most proud of in the Sheboygan Area School District?

As a person who went back to school to finish a degree, I am most proud of those students supported by staff and parents who get their diplomas either by "Walking the Bowl" or even several years after.



**Joined
Board of Education:
2012**

**Term Expires:
2024**

**Committee
Assignments:**
Finance and Budget
Facilities/Rec/Theatre

Hazardous Review Board
CESA 7 Delegate
WASB Legislative Contact
WASB Legislative Delegate



SHEBOYGAN AREA
— SCHOOL DISTRICT —

Rebecca Versey

Rebecca Versey was born and raised in Sheboygan. Her family, including aunts, uncles, and grandparents, graduated from SASD schools. She is a single mother of five children and enjoys continuing her education, teaching, cooking, gardening, urban farming, and anything related to health.

After high school, Rebecca attended the UW-Green Bay Sheboygan campus and Edgewood College in Madison. She earned her training as an EMT, paramedic, and critical care paramedic and furthered her education to become a holistic nutritional health coach. She is a Field Supervisor at Orange Cross Ambulance and has worked there for 24 years. She has also been an Adjunct Instructor at Lakeshore Technical College for 19 years. She teaches CPR, ACLS, and PALS classes. Rebecca has volunteered at her children's schools for various activities and took a mission trip to Arusha in the East African country of Tanzania to start an EMS system from the ground up.

What motivates you to serve on the Board of Education for the Sheboygan Area School District?

I want to be a vital part of concentrating on education. With everything going on in the world, that should come first.

What are you most proud of in the Sheboygan Area School District?

I am proud of the addition of charter schools. Education is not "one size fits all," and all children learn differently. Options and school choice are very important.



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Board of Education:
2021

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2024

Committee
Assignments:
Curriculum and Instruction
Human Resources

Legislative (Alternate)
WASB Legislative
Delegate (Alternate)



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