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Romeo School Board

ROMEO COMMUNITY SCHOOLS

BOARD OF EDUCATION
TERRY DAVIS

Occupation: Retired teacher, Utica Community Schools.

Government, Professional and Political background: I taught at the elementary, middle and high school levels for 30 years. I owned a small business and was president of the Utica EA for three terms.

Why you should be elected: I care about kids. I am familiar with curriculum, budgeting, bargaining and personnel concerns. I am very happy with the education my children received from the Romeo Schools. Their success and that of their friends attest to the high quality and variety of opportunities available here. I want to maintain those standards.

Three top priorities if elected: School finance. Improving student performance. Reducing conflict on the Board of Education.

GREG JACOBSON

Occupation: IT/network engineering. Government, Professional and Political background: Zoning Board of Appeals, Village of Romeo; Village of Romeo Board of Trustees; 25 years experience in the IT/networking field.

Why you should be elected: I have experience with boards, policies, spending and communications with my time spent on the Village of Romeo Board of Trustees. I have shown that I ask questions, listen and respond to the community while thinking on my own. From this, I have shown that a board cannot always agree and still be cohesive, productive and professional. A board member must work for the best interests of all pupils, the community and be responsive to the public, teachers, support staff and, foremost, the students. I care about the students and people of this community.

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Three top priorities if elected: 1. Fiscal responsibility and retaining our community employee resources. We need responsible spending and proper checks and balances between the school administration and board and lessen the burden on the parents and taxpayers. 2. Quality of education for all students from an academic, vocational, safety and well being perspective so that all are ready to become productive with their life and future career goals. 3. Bring respect, open communication, and cohesiveness back to the school board while earning the communities trust. The board must set the example for our school district and students.

DEANE B. MAUE

Occupation: I have worked in banking and financial services for the past 22 years.

Government, Professional and Political background: bachelors of science in management from the University of Detroit and a masters of science in finance from Walsh College. I served on the Sterling Heights Planning Commission for nine years (four years as chairman).

Why you should be elected: I am running so that I can ensure that all children living in the district can enjoy and prosper from a school district that puts the children's education, and well being, at the top of its priority list. I want to ensure that our tax dollars are being utilized to fund quality education, and those necessary enhancements to ensure that Romeo Community Schools is a top school district for the next 20 years, and beyond.

Three top priorities if elected: 1) I will work to make the board a cohesive and cooperative group, where all members can get along and respect each other and their opinions. 2) I will focus on maximizing the utilization of our resources in order to increase our MEAP scores, and better prepare our graduates to enter college and begin successful careers. When our students leave Romeo High School, they must be prepared to lead productive and meaningful lives. 3) My third focus is to maximize the funding we receive. It is time to stop dwelling on how much we get, but on how we can most effectively use the funds we receive to provide our children with a quality education.

EDMUND L. RISCH

Occupation: Retired from Ford Motor Company in 1988.

Government, Professional and Political background: Romeo Village Council, 1986-1988; Romeo Planning Commission, 1984-1986; past chairman and director of Community Hospital

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Association (which is now the Henry Ford Facility north of Romeo), 1978-1987; founding member and vice-president of Four County Community Foundation, 1987-2000; director of Romeo Community Service Center (which changed to Samaritan House in 1995), 1988-1995; current volunteer community activities<emeritus board member of Four County Community Foundation, co-chair of the Sharing Tree Program of Samaritan House, member of the Romeo Zoning Board of Appeals, lector and commentator at St. Clement Catholic Church and secretary of the Sisson Park Condominium Association.

Why you should be elected: I am not aligned with any group or organization and my pledge is to concentrate all my efforts toward the students of our district.

Three top priorities if elected: If elected, I will make it my first priority to concentrate the assets of the district toward the education in the classroom with an emphasis on math, reading, writing and science. The next priority is to provide teachers and students with all the materials to ensure maximum learning. We must have the appropriate books, technology and adequate space for learning. The third priority would be to make the business of the district open and transparent to the community and to insist on fiscal responsibility and accountability. We must learn to live within our means.

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