

EASTERN AREA SPECIAL SCHOOLS JOINT COMMITTEE

550 Aura Drive

Monroeville, PA 15146

Karen Ann Brodrick, Recording Secretary

April 2015

Dear School Board Secretary:

At its Thursday, February 25, 2015 meeting the Eastern Area Special Schools Joint Committee approved officers for the Joint Board of School Directors of the Eastern Area Special Schools; therefore, enclosed please find Candidates Bio, Resolution No. 2015-3, Election of Officers. Also enclosed is Resolution No. 2015-1, authorization of Mail Ballot. Please have your Board vote on these resolutions at its next public meeting, complete the ballot form, and have the same returned to me at 550 Aura Drive, Monroeville, PA 15146

Sincerely,

Eastern Area Special Schools Joint Committee
Karen Ann Brodrick, Recording Secretary

Enclosures: (3)

CANDIDATES
FOR
EASTERN AREA SPECIAL SCHOOLS JOINT COMMITTEE BOARD
2015

The following School District Board members have been nominated for the following offices by the
Eastern Area Special Schools Joint Committee:

President
Loretta White

Mrs. Loretta White has been nominated by the *EASSJC Board for President* and is a member of the Plum Borough School Board. Mrs. White is beginning her 10th year on the Plum Board and her 9th year on the EASSJC Board and is currently serving in the office of President. Mrs. White received a B.S. and M.S. in English Education at Duquesne University. She taught Senior English for 34 years at Plum Senior High School as well as tutored for the SAT's. She spent 5 years tutoring ESL to adult students for the Greater Pittsburgh Literacy Council. She also read and scored SAT essays on line and traveled for four years to Daytona, Florida to read and score AP English exams. She has served the Plum School Board as Chairperson: Education, Policy and Food Service Committees. Presently, she is secretary of Plum's Distinguished Alumni Committee and a member of the Allegheny Foothills Historical Society.

Vice President
Stephen P. Puskar

Mr. Stephen P. Puskar has been nominated by the *EASSJC Board for Vice President*. Mr. Puskar is the Allegheny Valley School District's representative on the EASSJC Board, and is the current Vice President of the EASSJC Board. Mr. Puskar has a B.A. in English Literature with a Minor in Psychology from the University of Pittsburgh. Mr. Puskar's Master's degree in Education is from IUP and he is currently enrolled as a Doctoral student in Educational Leadership at Youngstown State University. He is Pennsylvania certified teacher and administrator, and is currently the middle school and high school principal in the Wilkesburg Borough School District. Mr. Puskar has held the position of Principal and/or Assistant Principal in three Western Pennsylvania school districts and has taught in three other Pennsylvania school districts. He is immediate Past-President of the Wilkesburg Kiwanis, serves on the Business/Education Advisory Committee of The Challenge Program, and is a member of his church's Parish Pastoral Council. Mr. Puskar has served as Secretary/President of the Colfax Upper Elementary PTA and Secretary of the Acmetonia Primary PTA, both in the Allegheny Valley School District, and is the proud father of two daughters, Elizabeth, age 12 (7th grade) and Emma, age 15 (9th grade).

Secretary
Marilyn Messina

Mrs. Marilyn Messina has been a member and officer of the EASSJC Board for 28 years and has been nominated by the *EASSJC Board for Secretary*. Mrs. Messina represents the Woodland Hills School District where she has served as President and Vice President during her 28 years as a dedicated member. She also serves as the representative to the Allegheny Intermediate Unit on the Woodland Hills School Board. During her educational career Mrs. Messina was a 5th grade teacher in the Penn Hills School District. She taught the Accelerated Math Program, was part of the All Students Achieve Proficiency (ASAP) tutoring program, and was a member of the Penn Hills Education Association before retiring. She also held the position of Behavior Modifier at the Western PA School for the Deaf in Edgewood and taught at St. James School in Wilkesburg. Mrs. Messina currently serves as a member of the PA School Boards Association. She has also held the position of News and Political Radio Commentator.

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BALLOT

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-1

RESOLVED, that as authorized by Section 1704 of the Public School code of 1949, as amended, all voting on the affairs of the Joint Board of School Directors of Eastern Area Special Schools shall be conducted by *mail ballot*.

ROLL CALL VOTE

NAME OF SCHOOL DIRECTOR	YES	NO
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(Name of School District)

Date: _____

EASTERN AREA SPECIAL SCHOOLS JOINT COMMITTEE

BALLOT

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-3

RESOLVED, that the following are hereby *elected officers* of the Joint Board of School Directors of the Eastern Area Special School:

Mrs. Loretta White (PL)	President
Mr. Stephen P. Puskar. (ALV)	Vice President
Mrs. Marilyn Messina (WH)	Secretary
PNC	Treasurer

ROLL CALL VOTE

NAME OF SCHOOL DIRECTOR	YES	NO
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(Name of School District)

Date: _____