

MASA EXECUTIVE BOARD CANDIDATE PERSONAL DATA SHEET

Thank you for your interest in running for a vacant position on the MASA Executive Board. Please provide the following information and return the form to Margaret Helmer at mhelmer@gomasa.org.

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In 250 words or less, please describe your experiences, qualifications, and why you want to serve on the MASA Executive Board.

I am currently serving in my 20th year in education. I am fortunate to have a multitude of experiences that I can draw upon while serving on the Board, or simply as an active member of the association. I grew up in Troy, Michigan where my parents still live. I worked in three amazing districts where I built my leadership skills while advancing my knowledge through continued education. I earned my bachelor's degree from Central Michigan in 1999, master's from Michigan State University in 2005, and Education Specialist degree from the University of Michigan in 2016. In my educational roles I have experience in elementary and middle School teaching, I coached varsity sports, I have served as an Elementary Principal, Director of Federal Programs, and Director of Special Education in addition to my current position as Superintendent and Chief Financial Officer. These experiences have given me a wide horizon with a multitude of relationships to draw from when I make decisions.

I have served as Secretary, Vice-President, President, and Past President of Region 2. I served on MASA Council for 3 years. I am a good listener, am willing to look at issues from multiple angles, and enjoy learning new ideas and meeting new people. If elected, I would be open-minded, and would bring my experiences from growing up in Oakland County, to working and raising a family in Northern Michigan to the table as we look to continue to improve upon the amazing work that has started.