

Redmond School Board Elects New Officers

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At their July 28 meeting, the Redmond School District's Board of Directors voted unanimously to elect Tim Carpenter as its Chair for the 2006-07 school year. This will be Carpenter's third consecutive year serving in this capacity since becoming a board member in 2001. "I am honored by the confidence my fellow board members have placed in me," states Carpenter. "My desire is to provide students in the district with a quality education, as well as building trust within the community. As Chair, Carpenter will preside over meetings and represent the District at special functions.

The Board also elected board member Dr. Dan Murphy as Vice Chair. Murphy has served on the board since 2004 and is a physician at the Cascade Medical Clinic. Other incumbent members serving on the board for the 2006-07 school year are Janet May, owner of Redmond's Downtown Athletic Club; and Cathy Miller, local business owner and longtime advocate for Redmond school.

The board is currently seeking qualified people to fill the position vacated by Jim Diegel. The individual appointed will serve until June 30, 2007. Those interested should contact Shelley Knutz at 923-8250.

The Redmond Board of Directors consists of five members elected to serve overlapping four-year terms as non-salaried trustees of the school district. As elected officials, the Board is responsible for the scope, depth and quality of education and is the official policy-making body of the school district.

In addition to establishing policies for the operation of the district, the Board defines the philosophy of the district, determines educational goals and standards, authorizes curriculum revision and development, approves employment and termination of personnel, approves the budget and sets the tax rate, approves property purchases and new building plans, and hears grievances of employees, students, and citizens.

The Redmond School District members of the Board of Education merit recognition and commendation for their dedicated service to the people and children of our community. The community owes a great debt to them for the countless hours they volunteer to ensure a quality educational program for the children of the district.

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