## IASB District Director Statement of Candidacy

Candidates for the position of District Director of the Iowa Association of School Boards should possess, at a minimum, the following qualifications:

- Demonstrated leadership and involvement on a local board of education.
- Demonstrated participation in IASB activities.
- Strong supporter of public education in Iowa.

Please supply information requested in all categories and return to: Stephanie Rousseau, Executive Assistant, Iowa Association of School Boards, 6000 Grand Avenue, Des Moines, IA 50312-1417 or by email at srousseau@ia-sb.org.

-- Must be in IASB office no later than Wednesday, October 29, 2025 --

(Please feel free to supply additional information)

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Email: dsreinke4@gmail.com Occupation: Sales Agronomist

School Board(s): Lawton Bronson CSD

Years Service as Board Member: 10 Present Term of Office Expires: 2027

#### **School Board Activities (Local Level):**

Board Bill Auditor 2020-present, Vice President 2019-2020, President 2022-present



#### School Board Activities (State Level, including IASB Activities:

Attended IASB convention 9 out of the 10 yrs I have been on the local school board. Lawton Bronson CSD's delagte to the convention for 9 yrs. Attended President break out on Friday mornings for 2 yrs. Attended the RSAI annual meeting in years 2024 and 2025.

School Board Activities (National Level): N/A

#### **Special Interests, Activities and Recognition:**

Encouraged our board members to take advantage of the learning opportunities online from the IASB and the board of Lawton Bronson CSD received the award for board excellence at the 2023 IASB convention. Myself and the vice president receive Achievement awards for ongoing learning each year at the state convention.

### Other Comments Including Personal Qualifications for IASB Leadership:

Selected to mentor new employees at work.

Church board of Elders

Served as president for several organizations including the Chamber of Commerce at our previous home in Nebraska.

#### Please comment on your willingness and availability to serve as IASB District Director

I'm willing to serve as IASB District Director because I believe the smaller school districts need a voice at the IASB meetings. I have the ability to take time from my job to attend the Director meetings, and can travel as needed to hear school boards concerns in District 4.

I understand this postion is the continuing 3 yr term ending in 2027

# Please explain your philosophy of what you believe the role of IASB should be to assist lowa school boards and strengthen public education:

IASB's role in school boards and public education is so important. We need to be the voice from the local level and disseminate that information to the senators and representatives. They need to know how important local school boards are to the education in lowa. We need to convince them that local control is important for giving our students the tools and opportunities to succeed no matter their path after high school. We are the experts in education, so we need to be at the forefront of the legislation process to insure that we continue to be one of the leading states in preparing students for the challenges of the ever changing work environment. We also need to hear the voice of our citizens, taking their concerns into committee and working to solve issues.

