

Sidney Central School District

Board of Education candidates (vote for 3)

Amanda Finch

Amanda Finch for a term of three (3) years ending June 30, 2023 to fill the vacancy created by the expiration of the term for a seat currently occupied by Amanda Finch.



Amanda Finch has served on the Sidney Central School District Board of Education since 2016. Amanda joined the board because she believes in fostering civic pride

through a strong and successful school district. Amanda and her husband, Shane, moved to Sidney because of the excellent reputation of the school district. Amanda and Shane have two children that currently attend school in Sidney, and a third who will enter Kindergarten this fall.

Amanda graduated from Walton High School and went on to attend Hartwick College, where she graduated with a Bachelor's degree in Psychology. Amanda did her graduate work at Old Dominion University where she received a Master of Science in Education for Higher Education Administration, with a concentration

in Law and Public Policy. Amanda has almost 17 years of experience in public higher education and is currently serving as the Associate Vice President for Student Development at SUNY Oneonta.

Amanda says of board service, "I'm running for the board because I value the curricular and co-curricular experience that Sidney provides to all students. It is my highest priority to maintain the quality of the student experience. I will work diligently to insure that Sidney's excellence continues and advances for current and future generations of students and families."

Jason Miller for a term of three (3) years ending June 30, 2023 to fill the vacancy created by the expiration of the term for a seat currently occupied by Daniel Owen.



I am running for the Sidney Central School Board of Education and I would appreciate your vote on Tuesday, June 9.

It is critical for Sidney Central School to spend resources effectively and efficiently. The district

needs to focus on programs for both the children and the community. There have been some great successes over the past few years – the field complex, tablets for all students, free lunch and breakfast for all students, etc. I want to make sure that improvements continue. Please elect me to represent you on the Board of Education. Thank you.

Some personal information about my background:

I am the General Manager of Delhi Telephone Company and have been with the company for over 12 years. I currently serve as a Director on three different Boards – Delhi Telephone Company,

Germantown Telephone Company, and the New York State Telecommunications Association. I have a Bachelor's degree in accounting from Syracuse University and a Masters of Business Administration degree from Binghamton University. I spent five years at IBM and owned a wholesale toner remanufacturing and printer service company for three years before selling it and joining DTC. I have coached youth sports in Sidney for the past 7 years, coaching both baseball and basketball.

I currently reside in the district in the Town of Masonville with my wife Julie and four children (Lily 22, John 19, Ben 15 (9th grade), and AJ 10 (4rd grade)).

Marisa Orezzaoli for a term of three (3) years ending June 30, 2023 to fill the vacancy created by the expiration of the term for a seat currently occupied by Marisa Orezzaoli.



Marisa has lived in the Sidney Central School District since 2007. She moved to the area with her husband James (Class of 2002) and three sons. Marisa was drawn to the area for its small town

atmosphere, the strong sense of community and excellent quality of education

within the schools. She and her family found more than a place to live in Sidney, they found a community where they were welcomed and could grow through their involvement in a variety of activities and opportunities, giving back to the community they call home. Marisa is an honors graduate from SUNY Oneonta with a bachelor's degree in Computer Art. She currently works as an Admin Asst. for Student Experience at Hartwick College working primarily with student clubs and organizations.

Marisa was first elected on the Sidney School Board in 2015 and is currently the Vice President of the Board. Marisa is the recipient of the NYSSBA Master of Boardmanship Certificate. She has previously served on the Audit Committee, Policy

Committee and the Wellness committee. From 2008-2010 she served as president of the Sidney Head Start parent group as well as volunteered her time there. From 2012-2019 she helped coordinate the Sidney Central School Districts Odyssey of the Mind program as well as volunteered her time coaching multiple teams. She received the OMER award for her hard work and dedication to the program in 2016.

Marisa is a dedicated mother, wife and advocate for her children and enjoys her time at school events and being a part of the Sidney Central School District. She chose to run for the Board of Education because, "I would like to be the voice of future generations and be actively involved in the growth, development and achievements of the children in the community."

Sidney Memorial Library

Board candidates (vote for 2)

Susan Ruestow

Susan Ruestow for a term of five (5) years ending June 30, 2025, caused by the expiration of the term of Susan Ruestow.



I have just completed a 5 year term as a Sidney Library Board of Trustees. It has been a

wonderful learning experience and also very rewarding community work.

I have resided in Sidney Center since 1973. In 2002, I retired from 25 years of years of teaching vocal music in several schools in Delaware County, starting in Jefferson, Sidney Center and Masonville and finishing my last 21 years at Franklin. I am currently teaching private piano lessons to both children and adults. I also regularly substitute as a church organist and frequently accompany students for

various solo work. Some of my other special interests are gardening, crafts, quilting and reading. I feel that our Sidney Library and the satellite branches are one of the community's finest assets. There has been considerable growth in our youth programming and adult activities over the last few years.

I welcome the opportunity to extend my term for another 5 years and support this expansion of programming and reading activities.

Patricia Smith

Patricia Smith for a term of five (5) years ending June 30, 2025, caused by the expiration of the term of Marie Gray.



Patricia M. Smith resides in the village of Sidney with her husband, Robert. She is the mother of

two grown children, Kisten and Dan.

She holds Licensed Teaching Assistant Certification and Advanced Certification in Religious Education.

Pat worked for S.U.N.Y. Oneonta Tutorial Outreach and as a Licensed Teaching Assistant in the Special Education Department of Sidney Central School District. She has served as a Court Appointed Special Advocate for Children in Chenango and Otsego Counties and was a member of the Tri-County Safe Against Violence Task

Force.

Pat was a religious education coordinator at St. Paul's Church in Black River, NY and taught religious education for over thirty years. She presently serves as a Eucharistic Minister and secretary of the Pastoral Council at Sacred Heart Church.

Pat enjoys quilting and gardening and is a member of the In Stitches quilt group at the Sidney branch of the Library.