

S H E R I S H A R T Z H E I M

December 3, 2020

Dr Judith Baseman, Superintendent
Scullen Leadership Center
131 E Washington St, Suite 1A
Appleton, WI 54911

Dear Dr Baseman:

Please accept this letter as a formal indication of my interest in the open position of AASD School Board Member as announced by the district on December 3, 2020.

I would be honored to serve the interests of the families of our school district with a compassionate ear and a thoughtful and studied attitude. My experience as a parent with a child at a school within this district for the last eight school years has given me great insight to the varied needs of our school families and the importance of the district's decisions on the lives of our students and their families.

I am currently a retired business owner and management accountant who has worn many hats in the business world. I have worked alongside production and office employees, upper management, and business ownership and have seen what an effective primary and secondary education provides people in their future careers. I myself am a Summa Cum Laude graduate of UW-Milwaukee (1996) with additional education in accounting from Lakeshore Technical College. My early retirement affords me the ability to serve as treasurer on the board of directors for the non-profit coalition Community Action for a Healthy Living (CAHL) and will permit me to serve as school board member immediately upon the board's approval.

Since my daughter began as an AASD kindergartener eight years ago, I have volunteered at her school. I have worked in the classroom as a parent assistant to teachers, as a volunteer/organizer for their annual fall festival and, most notably, as the sole manager of the school's largest annual fundraiser for six years. As a school board member, I can offer this board the perspective of a parent of a current middle school (soon to be high school) student which is something that I believe is gravely needed for this board to best represent their constituency.

It is my belief that our school board members must represent and be advocates for all of the district's families – fairly, honestly, and most importantly, openly. Board members must both guide and work hand-in-hand with the district administration to offer the best possible comprehensive education to our students through service to their needs. The role of the school board is to set policies after thorough examination of the issues of the district and to work closely with the administration to implement, monitor and, if necessary, amend these policies based on their effectiveness. This district's goal of "Success for Every Student, Every Day" can only be met with strong and fearless leadership that directly follows earnest listening to the needs and goals of our district's families.

Only with a goal in mind – **the comprehensive and equitable education of each child as a whole being** – and with an intense desire to meet that goal will this school district show itself to be the gold standard of public education. As a board member, I would carry those principles through every district decision making process and work with your administration to encourage that attitude from every district employee.

Especially in these challenging times of COVID-19, I believe that open ears mean open minds and I look forward to the opportunity to lend mine to the process of guiding our district's school children to support success in life for "Every Student, Every Day."

I look forward to your administration's and the board's response to this application and to working with you in the future.

Best regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Sheri S Hartzheim', with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

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Exhibit 2

APPLETON AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

DECLARATION OF ELIGIBILITY TO HOLD OFFICE

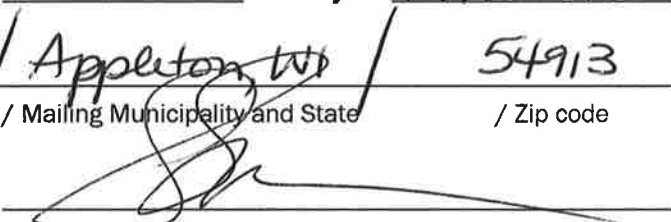
I, SHERI S HARIZHEIM, being duly sworn, state that
(Print the name of the person wishing to be considered for appointment)

I am willing to be considered for selection to the office of school board member, as an appointee to fill a vacancy and that I meet the applicable age, citizenship, residency, and voting qualification requirements prescribed by the constitutions and laws of the United States and the State of Wisconsin, and that I will otherwise qualify for the office if I am appointed by the School Board of the Appleton Area School District.

I further state that I have not been convicted of a felony in any court within the United States for which I have not been pardoned and that I know of no reason that would otherwise make me ineligible to hold the above-identified office.

My present address, including my municipality of residence for voting purposes is:

~~Town of~~ _____ OR ~~Village of~~ _____ OR City of APPLETON
3929 E Bernalley Dr / Appleton, WI / 54913
House or Fire Number/Street Name / Mailing Municipality and State / Zip code



(Signature of the person, named above, wishing to be considered for appointment)

STATE OF WISCONSIN }
County of Outagamie } ss.
(County of notarization)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 4th day of December, 2020.

Kimm Smith / Kimm Smith
(Signature of Notary) / *(Printed name of notary)*

Notary Public
My commission expires 10/18/23 or is permanent.

NOTARY SEAL NOT REQUIRED