

## **BOARD OF EDUCATION CANDIDATES**

(Listed Alphabetically)

### **Jeffrey Chase**



A life-long resident, Jeff lives in Conewango Valley with his wife Stacy and three sons, Dylan, Dawson and Garrett. A graduate of Pine Valley and JCC, he is the Director of Nursing at Heritage Park Rehab and Skilled Nursing. To further pursue his commitment to our community, Jeff serves on the Ellington Town Council. In his spare time, Jeff enjoys watching his children and other Pine Valley athletes' sporting events. He also enjoys the outdoors and working on his family's farm in South Dayton. Jeff has been a board member for 13 years. He is currently serving on the Board for a vacated seat.

### **David Kohler**



A Pine Valley resident since 2009, David and his wife Kristy (Volk) Kohler reside on Cottage Road in South Dayton and are the parents of Jacob and Oliver. A graduate of Franklinville Central School, David is employed by IBM as a system engineer. He is a member of the Southern Tier Wrestling Officials Association. He is currently serving on the Board for a vacated seat.

### **Amie Libby**



Amie has been a district resident since 2003 and resides in Cherry Creek. She is the mother of four: Johnethen, Branden, Wayne, and Vivien. Amie graduated from Gowanda Central School and received her Associates Degree in Liberal Arts & Social Science from JCC, her Bachelor of Arts in Sociology from SUNY Fredonia and her Master of Science in Psychology from the University of Phoenix. She is employed as a Service Coordinator and Geriatric Care Manager Certified at Lutheran in Jamestown. Her memberships/activities include: Community in Action (CIA), Mothers' Club (president for five years), President of the PV Youth Football Organization, planning committee member for 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> annual March Madness fundraiser at PV, Secretary for of the NYS Assoc. of Resident Service Coordinators and planning committee for the Journey to Active Aging Event in Jamestown. Previously she was the midget cheerleading asst. coach and asst. coach for Cherry Creek Rookie Baseball.

### **Adam Lukasik**



A 2014 Pine Valley graduate, Adam has been a district resident since 2009. While at PV, he served as a student representative on the Board of Education. He is currently attending Jamestown Community College and is employed by the South Dayton Supermarket as a packer. He has participated in musicals, is a five-year member of the Barbershop Harmony Society, member at large on the Forestville Wesleyan Church Board of Administration and drummer at Forestville Wesleyan Church.

### **Nancy Stock**



Nancy and her husband William lived in Forestville for 40 years until retiring to their cabin on Aldrich Hill Road in Cherry Creek in 2013. They purchased the land they live on in 1981 and camped with their three children (Nathan, Molly and Jonathan) on it weekends and vacations. Over the years they improved the property and built their cabin. Nancy is a retired elementary/middle school math teacher from Lake Shore Central Schools. She served on the Forestville Board of Education for 10 years, the Forestville Village Board for nine years, and is a current member of the E2CC BOCES Board where she serves on the policy and personnel committees. Nancy has volunteered for Literacy Volunteers as a tutor and is an active hiker and member of the Adirondack Mountain Club. She is currently serving on the Board for a vacated seat.

Electing FOUR at-large positions on the Board of Education:

- ✓••One (1) candidate will be elected to a three-year term (2015-2018) commencing on July 1, 2015 (highest vote getter).
- ✓••One (1) candidate will be elected to a three-term (2015-2018) commencing immediately to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Adelia Ritter (2<sup>nd</sup> highest vote getter).
- ✓••One (1) candidate will be elected to a two-year term (2015-2017) commencing immediately to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Montgomery Sticek (3<sup>rd</sup> highest vote getter).
- ✓••One (1) candidate will be elected to a one-year term (2015-2016) commencing immediately to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Janie Waag (4<sup>th</sup> highest vote getter).

# Meet the Candidates Night

## **Introduction** (5 minutes)

## **Q & A Session** (40-50 minutes)

One candidate will be chosen at random to answer one of the questions below. He/she will have 2 minutes to respond to the question. We will then provide approximately 5 minutes (30 seconds – 1 minute each) for the other candidates to address the question posed.

### Possible Questions:

- 1) What is your vision for education in this community? How do you plan to increase student motivation and achievement?
- 2) What are the current challenges facing education/school boards?
- 3) What qualities would you look for in a person filling an administrative position and what are their roles?
- 4) What do you feel are the most important priorities in our district?
- 5) What are your feelings and thoughts about the way we arrange our school day/year?
- 6) When the district faces budget constraints for low state aid/budget rejection, what would be your plan of action?
- 7) As districts continue to merge, what role do you feel extracurricular programs play in the education of our children?
- 8) What changes would you like to see within the district during your tenure as a board member?

## **Closing Remarks** (5 minutes)

## **Community Open Floor** (5-10 minutes)

- Please write any questions on an index card to be drawn at random.

## **Reception**

- Refreshments available in the High School Library

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