



GRAND RAPIDS EDUCATION ASSOCIATION

CANDIDATE QUESTIONNAIRE

NOTE: INFORMATION WILL BE PRINTED AS SUBMITTED

1. Name: Jayne Niemann
2. Candidate for the position/office(s) of: President
3. How long have you been employed by GRPS? 20 years
4. What positions have you held in GREA/MEA/NEA?
Vice President, Grievance Chair, Membership Chair, Membership Committee Member, HS Divisional Rep, Bargaining Team member, Building Rep, Communications Committee Member, Calendar Committee Member
5. Are there other educational and/or job-related experiences that you feel qualify you for this particular position(s)?
Worked in an accounting firm, took applied law and constitutional law classes, Department Chair for Electives, Instructional Leadership Team Member, Varsity Coach at Union High, National Honor Society Adviser, et al.
6. Please give a short statement on why you are seeking this particular position/office(s).
Having spent the last 3 years involved in many aspects of the GREA, I feel it is the right time to step up in leadership. 3 years ago I was not as knowledgeable about procedures and policies for GREA as I am now. I also was not ready to leave the classroom 3 years ago, but I cannot continue to give my all to both the classroom and my GREA colleagues without leave time. I have been and will continue to be an advocate for all of the educators in our bargaining unit and want to continue to develop and expand the work we have started reviving Grievance, Membership and Communications.