CANDIDATE QUESTIONNAIRE
OSBA Legislative Policy Committee

Name: Dawn Watson                                      Region: Southern Oregon
District/ESD/CC: Phoenix-Talent Schools                  Position #: 5

I certify that if elected I will faithfully serve as a member of the OSBA Legislative Policy Committee. My nomination form has been submitted to OSBA (or is attached to this document) as evidence.

Dawn Watson                                             9/27/19
Name                                                   Date

Be brief; please limit your responses to 50 words per question.

1. What do you want to accomplish by serving on the Legislative Policy Committee (LPC)?
   I want to continue to build relationships with the legislatures, continue to advocate for policies that line up with the student success, and for the importance of fully funded schools.

2. What leadership skills do you bring to the LPC? Give an example of a situation in which you demonstrated these skills.
   I educate myself as much as possible, and know that nothing can be done alone. When I was chair of the bond committee, I learned what the public wanted, campaign strategies, and involved the entire community on passing the bond. It took a village to pass and support our district.

3. What do you see as the two most challenging legislative issues faced by OSBA?
   Fully funding schools and getting adequate mental health in the schools

4. What do you see as the two most challenging legislative issues faced by your region?
   Mental health is a huge problem in the Rogue Valley as well as poverty. It is showing in getting help for funding schools locally.

5. What is your plan for communicating with boards in your region about legislative issues?
   I will communicate via email.

Deadline: September 27, 2019, 5 p.m.

Materials submitted by the candidate on this form may be subject to a public information request under ORS Chapter 192.
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District/ESD/CC: Phoenix-Talent Schools
Term expires: 2020 Years on board: 6

Work or service performed for OSBA or local district (include committee name and if you were chair):
LPC 4 years
Phoenix-Talent Schools 6 years – 2 years vice chair
Back the Bond Phoenix-Talent 2 years committee chair

Other education board positions held/dates:
None

Occupation (Include at least the past five years):
Employers: R. Watson & Associates Dates: 6/1/00 - current

Schools attended (Include official name of school, where and when):
High school: Brookings Harbor High class of 91
College: Lance Community 91-93, SOU 93-94
Degrees earned: None

Education honors and/or awards: None
Other applicable training or education: None

Activities, other state and local community services:
Boy Scouts, FACT Board, Bridging Communities advisory board

Hobbies/special interests: I like walking, hiking and spending time with family and friends. Recently we purchased 10 acres so I’m learning each day about farm life and really enjoying it.

Business/professional/civic group memberships; offices held and dates: None

Additional comments: I’m a hard worker, active in the community and strongly believe that all students deserve an excellent public education.