FOR MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

ROSS STAPLETON-GRAY

Age: 57

Occupation: Incumbent

I have served on the AUSD School Board for four years, the last two as Vice President. My goals in a second term include greater transparency in how the Board functions, and greater accountability from the Administration toward those we educate.

I hope to make the Board more accessible to new voices and perspectives, using my experience to better educate the community on the role of its school board, and to clarify policies and practices to ensure effectiveness as a citizens’ oversight body. The Board will welcome at least one new member this election cycle, and I will work with them to broaden our awareness, and ensure a quality education for every Albany student.

We’re in the midst of major facilities construction projects, and working to reduce serious budget deficits resulting from insufficient state funding and rising costs. The next four years will require imagination in how we grow, and judgment in how we cut. I’m optimistic: I’ve learned a lot already, hearing and weighing the collective concerns of staff, students and the larger community, as your representative in shaping an Albany public school education.

Learn more or contact me at: www.ross4schools.org

/s/ Ross Stapleton-Gray