



Electing PSBA Officers

The Pennsylvania School Boards Association is a nonprofit statewide association of public school boards, pledged to the highest ideals of local lay leadership for the public schools of the commonwealth.

At-Large Representative (West): Daniel J. O'Keefe*

Dan O'Keefe, a current member of the PSBA Governing Board, serving in the position of At-Large Representative (West), has received an endorsement from the Leadership Development Committee for another term. Dan has over 13 years of service to the Northgate Board of School Directors and is serving in his third term as President of that board.

Dan offers an extensive professional background and a background in service and leadership to school and community that enhance his capacity to benefit PSBA and its membership. Highlights of his PSBA, school and community involvement and leadership have included:

- PSBA Accredited Master School Board Member (2011)
- PSBA Board of Governors (2014)
- PSBA By-Laws Committee (2013)
- Northgate Board of School Directors (President, Vice-President, Board Treasurer, Finance Chair, PSBA Liaison, and Legislative Chair)
- A. W. Beattie Career Center Joint Operating Committee (2001-2003; 2011-2013)
- Board of Governors of the North Hills Arts Festival Inc., including two terms as President (1988-1997)
- Church Festival Leadership Committee (1997-2009)
- Northgate Band Chaperone, Elementary Drama Club Co-Founder, School Musical Volunteer
- Holy Family Institute – One-on-One Companion and Group Tutoring Programs



Dan has a Bachelor of Science in Business Management. His 33-year career includes project management for manufacturing and engineering firms and purchasing management for a global manufacturer. With this professional experience, he brings skills in organizing, planning, conceptualizing and analyzing, to enrich his service to the PSBA board.

As a regular attendee at PSBA annual conferences, the regional meetings and the legislative meetings, Dan has participated in numerous trainings, seminars and webinars to heighten his ability to serve the students of his community. He is a strong advocate within his board for the opportunities and services provided to members of the PSBA, having found the information provided by PSBA to be an essential component of his ability to serve the district.

As a member of the PSBA Board, Dan seeks to improve PSBA's dissemination of information to and obtain feedback from the Western Pennsylvania area, while serving all members of the state. He believes improving the ability of PSBA to serve a greater number of the members, in Western Pennsylvania and statewide, will permit members to better serve their districts.

Dan emphasizes the benefits of training for PSBA members throughout the state recognizing that, for many, school board service is an introduction to an array of new concepts, ideas and issues. Through the use of technology and by providing more flexibility in the trainings, he hopes that more members can be reached. Diversification of the training to also include issues encountered by IU boards, CTC boards and community college boards is a component that needs to be enhanced.

An extensive background in leadership and community involvement; professional experience in achieving results as a project manager; and an interest in improving the value of PSBA to its members, are some of the qualification that Dan O'Keefe brings to the PSBA board.

Please support him as your represent to PSBA.

*** Endorsed** – *"The Leadership Development Committee may, by majority vote, choose to endorse the nomination(s) of one or more candidates for any elected position as a means of identifying those candidates that the Leadership Development Committee considers to be highly qualified." PSBA Bylaws, Article IV, Section 5.C.*

Video Introduction



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