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Good Schools Pennsylvania Adds New Members to its Board of Directors

Good Schools Pennsylvania is pleased to announce the addition of three new members to its board of directors – James DeBord, Sandra Strauss, and Linda Wagner. All three are strong leaders in their communities, and they are a welcome addition to a growing team dedicated to guiding and promoting the organization's goals.

James DeBord is currently the director of YorkCounts, a community impact organization located in York County, PA. He is a co-founder and senior partner of Jack Burden and Associates. Prior to these positions, Mr. DeBord was the Executive Policy Director for the Pennsylvania Department of Revenue for the Rendell Administration, and he has also worked for Greater Philadelphia First, a non-profit business group focusing on civic leadership in the city.

Sandra Strauss is the Director of Public Advocacy for the Pennsylvania Council of Churches. The mission of the Council of Churches is to educate and empower interdenominational individuals and organizations on issues of public policy and equality. Sandra Strauss is also an ordained reverend in the ministry of the Presbyterian Church. Prior to becoming a reverend, Ms. Strauss worked for many years in the field of solid waste and recycling, and is an outspoken leader on environmental issues.

Linda C. Wagner is the Director of Westmoreland County's School Readiness Initiative, a community impact project of the United Way of Westmoreland County, PA. She is also an adjunct faculty member at Westmoreland County Community College and at Carlow University, in their early childhood education departments. Ms. Wagner has a long list of trustee, chair, and council member positions to her credit, with a strong focus on early childhood education. She has been a professional educator for over thirty years with experience in Oregon, California, Arizona, and Pennsylvania.

Good Schools Pennsylvania looks forward to the expertise, wisdom, and objective viewpoint that its new board members will provide.

Goods Schools Pennsylvania supports the fundamental right of all children to a high quality public education. Our mission is to build a network of citizens who are informed and mobilized for comprehensive education reform, including: adequate funds that are fairly distributed, use of proven educational practices to meet a standard of excellence, and accountability measures to ensure every child is given an opportunity to achieve at high levels. For information visit our website at www.goodschoolspa.org.

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