Ryan Gene VanLeuven

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Alsea School Board,

I have called Alsea my home for most of my life. I came to Alsea when I was in 4th grade, graduated High School in 2001 and have built my family home here. I have enjoyed watching my kids attend school, be part of a great learning environment, build relationships with teachers and other staff members and succeed in the sports they play.

Having two children in the Alsea School District compels me to once again become more involved in the present and future of student education. Roughly 4 years ago I had the opportunity to fill in a vacancy and even though it was rough at times, it was rewarding to help the school and I feel I could be a good candidate to fill that gap again.

While serving before, I completed OSBA training and was part of rebuilding the personnel and financial structure of the school. With my construction background, I was also appointed to work closely with the Project Managers for the Bond Project.

I have been volunteering for the Alsea Rural Fire District for the last 20+ years and have taken part in many fire board meetings. As Fire Chief, it is my responsibility to manage volunteers, engage with the community and surrounding fire districts in a positive and safe manner. This role involves listening to all sides and finding common ground for the better of the community.

Alsea is my home and as a parent and community member, I want to see the Alsea School District succeed. I want to join the board to help support the staff in ways that benefit our student's education.

Thank you for your consideration and I look forward to hearing from you.

Ryan VanLeuven