

NVCS BOD Application Questionnaire

Name Amanda McDonald

Please provide a bio with relevant work, volunteer and/or life experience.

I currently am an Area Manager, Vice President with Bank of the West. I manage 8 branches, 50 employees in Northern Colorado to meet and exceed sales goals. I have worked in the banking industry for 20 years. I have sat on boards with Bank of the West, and have also spent many hours volunteering for different organizations. Namely Journal Achievement, Colorado Youth Outdoors, along with Operation HOPE in Longmont. My two children attend NVCS and am passionate about giving back any way I can.

Please describe your strengths and why you would be an asset to the New Vision Board of Directors

I am very detailed oriented. I meet deadlines when they are given, and am not afraid to share my ideas with others. I am flexible with my schedule and will be able to attend meetings on a regular basis.

What do you believe are the most important responsibilities of a school board member?

To uphold the vision that was put into place when the school started. To continue the remarkable reputation that New Vision has set for the students, and staff within the district.

Please describe why you are interested in serving as a school board member.

Giving back to my community is extremely important to me. Having the ability to do this in the community I not only live in, but where my children attend school would be great.

How much time and effort can you contribute to the NVCS Board?

My schedule is flexible

What skills, knowledge, and attributes should board members have in order to be qualified?

I wouldn't narrow it down to skills or attributes to qualify board members. If you find a person that has passion for anything, such as the school where their kids belong, then they should be qualified.

What skills, knowledge, and attributes should board members have in order to be ongoing, contributing members?

The willingness to give their best, and to continue to uphold the vision statement.

What do you believe are the most critical issues facing the NVCS Board, and how would you contribute as a board member?

Budgeting would be most critical. With an extensive banking background I would be able to look at the budget with a different lens, and possibly bring new ideas.

In general terms, please describe your experience in dealing with difficult and confidential issues.

I work in an extremely confidential and difficult environment each day. This one of many areas I go above and beyond in.

Please describe how you think the board should interact with parents, principal, and staff.

I think it is important to interact, however there needs to be a clear line between the staff and the board. They each have different visions, and the board is there to protect the vision of the school as a whole.

Please describe your involvement with NVCS to date. (i.e. committee participation, volunteer activities, etc.)

I have been able to volunteer with my kids' classroom a couple of times but not as often as I would have liked.

Please describe your vision of community outreach for the NVCS Board.

By participating in community events, making public appearances, and generate excitement around NVCS