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POSITION APPLIED FOR: BSD Board of Trustees, Ward 1

WHY ARE YOU RUNNING FOR SCHOOL TRUSTEE: Hello, My name is Kirk Carr and I am asking for your vote to be re-elected as school trustee. Since being elected in the 2023 by election I believe I have been able to contribute in a positive manner to the division in a way that's been beneficial to staff, students, and our community.

I currently work as an outreach worker for Prairie mountain health after 20 years as a health care aide in both long term care and at the hospital. In the past and currently I sit on many workplace/union/professional and community-based boards which has given me lots of experiences dealing with finances/staffing/policy/bylaws//and community connections especially at the board level.

During my first 3 years I believe I have helped contribute to the growth of the division.

- Last budget I was the only trustee who brought budget proposals forward: leading to bringing back previously cut teachers, an EA ratio, and more staff supports.
- I helped push for Riverview to go from K-6 to now K-8.
- Actively working along side, the board to create solutions for Lunch supervision.
- Insuring inclusion and equability for our students
- As part of the board helped lobby government for the new K-8 school
- Lobbying for a fairer funding model

In the next term if elected i hope

- Continue the lobbying as a board for a more fair funding model
- Continue from last budget bringing back cut teachers, further the EA ratio,
- Find a solution to lunch programming that doesn't create financial barriers to our families
- Push for safer schools for students and staff
- Push for further proactive maintenance on our aging buildings
- Ensure the division and staff have the resources to handle complex student needs, safety, and mental health

As a father to a 6 year old within the Brandon school division and as an active member of our community every decision we made at the board table directly impacts my own household, just as I know it does yours. I'd be honored to have your vote so I can keep standing up for our schools, our staff, our community and our kids.