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As you know, **I am running for re-election** to the Oak Creek-Franklin Joint School District Board of Directors. The Primary Election is on **February 16** and the General Election is **April 6, 2021**. The Primary Election is coming up in just a few short weeks.

I'm really proud of what we've accomplished in the past three years, and not always under the best of circumstances. As an officer of the board, I serve as Board Treasurer. In this role, I have given multiple presentations on important financial information about our district savings, as well as some of the negative impacts of state law on our finances. I have advocated for **more special education funding** at numerous budget hearings, and for focused categorical aides that would **reduce the reliance on local property taxes**.

During my first term, **we developed an awesome finance team** at the district, and already in 2021 we have approved a squeaky clean annual district financial audit and were given a "Aa2" rating from Moody's (very low credit risk). And this month we were able to leverage that rating **to reduce our property-tax burden** through the sale of some old debt.

Having served as Treasurer for three years, I understand that the **continued financial stability of the district is key**. Our students need stability in the programs and curriculum we offer, as well as staffing. All kids deserve an excellent education, and this is a foundational belief I bring to the school board.

I ask for your help so I can continue to serve our community, the school board, and our kids.

[Can you chip in \\$10 or \\$25 to help get my message out?](#) Every dollar will go toward getting the word of my candidacy to our community.

Help me ensure a strong future for our community. **[Please chip in today.](#)** If you can, please **[volunteer](#)** on my campaign! We can win if we do it together.

With my thanks,

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