

Moorpark Unified School District
Board of Education Biographical Information

RON LaGUARDIA

Personal Information:

Resident of Moorpark since 1994. Native of Upstate New York. Formerly from Santa Barbara. Living with wife Yayoi and son Andy who has attended MUSD schools since 2001.
Home Phone: (805) 529-9307

Education:

Master of Science Degree (Education)
Elmira College
Elmira, NY

Bachelor of Science Degree, cum laude (Business Education)
State University of New York at Albany
Albany, NY

Associates in Applied Science Degree (Accounting)
State University of New York at Cobleskill
Cobleskill, NY

Teaching Credentials:

Secondary School (New York State—Lifetime)
Secondary School (California—Provisional)
Community College (California—Lifetime)

Leadership Preparation/Training:

Leadership Simi Valley (Community Leadership Training) graduate (1998)
Zenger Miller Frontline Leadership Training (2002—2003)
California Association of School Business Officers member, (1988—1991)
California School Board Association member, (2004—present)
Masters in Governance (in progress)

Work Experience:

Over 25 years teaching and administrative experience in both public and private schools at all education levels (elementary through 4-year college). Career counselor for 10 years. Currently semi-retired, working as a MUSD Trustee.

Community Leadership Service/Volunteer Work:

Moorpark Unified School District:

- School Board member (2004---present); President, 2007; Vice-President 2006 and 2010
- Chairman, Measure R Bond Campaign Committee (2001—2002)
- Chairman, Citizens Bond Oversight Committee (2002—2004)
- Member, Vision 2010 District Advisory Committee (2002—2003)

- Member of the following Strategic Planning Committees: District (1998—present), Walnut Canyon School (2000), Peach Hill School (2001)
- Member, Flory Academy of Science & Technology Advisory Committee (2004—2005)
- Member, Peach Hill Posse Volunteer Reading Program (1996—present)
- High School Job Fair/Career Day Organizing Committee Member (1998-1999); presenter 1996—present)
- Walnut Canyon School Jr. Achievement Instructor (2002—2007)
- High School Resource Officer Task Force member (1999—2002)
- District Career & Technical Education Task Force member (2005—2006)

Community of Moorpark:

- Rotary Club of Moorpark, member (1996—2003); president (1999—2001)
- Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors member (1998—1999)
- Boys & Girls Club of Moorpark Board of Directors member (1996—2003)
- Catholic Social Services Task Force member (1995—2005)
- Moorpark Community Care Center, Board of Directors member (2006—2008)
- Moorpark/Simi Valley Neighborhoods for Learning Steering committee member (2001—2002)
- Help Our Youth (HOY) Community Non-Profit tutoring Program Advisor (2006—present)
- Moorpark Little League coach (2003—2008)

Conejo Valley Unified School District:

- Coordinator, 1995 District High Schools' Shadowing Day
- Member, Work Experience Advisory Committee (1994—1995)
- District High Schools' Job Fair participant, 1995

Other Education-Related Volunteer Activities:

- Conejo Valley Youth Employment Service Counselor and Job Fair participant 1995—1996)
- Conejo Valley Chamber of Commerce Chairman of Education and Health Committees (1994—1996)
- Ventura County VCEDA, School-To-Career Conference Planning Committee member (1994—1996)
- East Ventura County Industry Education Council committee member (1994—1996)

Personal Statement:

I have always had a passion for education and have devoted my entire career to this field. My special interest is career development, for I firmly believe that those who find work that is right for them gain happiness and fulfillment in life.

Currently, the most pressing need in the school district, in my opinion, is to maximize current funds, to find alternative funding sources, and to cut costs wherever possible with minimum impact on the integrity of the delivery of educational services.

I believe the District's greatest asset is the culture of creativity, collaboration, and dedication to students to reach their full potential throughout their experience at MUSD and beyond. This culture is shared by District faculty and staff at all school sites, and is fostered by MUSD administration and the School Board.