

REAL PROPERTY ADVISORY COMMITTEE OF THE POWAY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT (7.11 Committee)

Committee Members

Sabrina Butler

Sabrina and her husband, Sam, have lived in Poway for 15 years. They have two sons, a 5th grader in Valley Elementary's Dual Immersion program and an 8th grader at Twin Peaks Middle School. She has a B.S. in Management from the Georgia Institute of Technology. She has worked as a project and change management consultant in both the public and private sectors for over 15 years. Sabrina has served on a variety of PUSD, PTA, area youth sports, City of Poway boards and committees. She was the co-chair of the Prop C bond initiative and a co-founder of the Poway Community Association.

Rob Caringella

Rob is a parent with two children at Willow Grove Elementary. Currently serves as Vice President of the Willow Grove Educational Foundation. Rob has an Economics and Real Estate background and co-owns a real estate appraisal and consulting firm in San Diego.

Mark Claussen

Mark Claussen is a Vice President with a global engineering firm, Arcadis, and has lived in Poway with his wife Paula and two children, Natalie and Adam, for over 11 years. Natalie graduated from Poway and Adam from Mt Carmel High Schools. Mark is a Professional Engineer with over 34 years of experience in customer oriented facilities management, building construction, real property environmental services, and infrastructure development organizations. His career experience includes capital and facilities asset master planning; large construction program administration; environmental program compliance; and K-12 facilities expansion and modernization support. A 23 year veteran of the Naval Facilities Engineering Command, he is a 1977 graduate of the US Naval Academy and has a Masters Degree in Financial Management.

Debra Keel Cooper

Debra Keel Cooper and her husband, Craig, are parents to two children in the Poway Unified School District; a third-grader at Willow Grove Elementary and a sixth-grader at Black Mountain Middle. Active with her childrens' schools for seven years, Debra has served as President of the Willow Grove Educational Foundation, on the School Site Councils for both Sunset Hills and Willow Grove Elementary Schools, and as a member of the Superintendent's Community Budget Advisory Committee. Debra has a marketing and public affairs background, and holds a Bachelors Degree in the Social Sciences with a Minor in Political Science from the University of California, Irvine.

Kathy Frost

Kathy and her husband, Grant, have been residents of Rancho Penasquitos for 24 years. Their son currently attends Westview High School. Kathy has a B.S. in Mechanical Engineering and worked for San Diego Gas & Electric for over 20 years. Her career experience includes: power plant engineering, oversight of the gas transmission system, environmental and safety management, facilities and real estate asset management (including the development of a 5 -year facility capital plan), procurement and storeroom management and emergency operations. Kathy is currently a full time volunteer, serving on various community, school and PUSD committees including PUSD's Citizen Oversight Committees for both Prop U and Prop C.

Amy Huff

Amy is a Teacher on Special Assignment at Willow Grove Elementary. She is passionate about student learning and has been teaching and inspiring students for 30 years. She began her career in Florida but has been teaching students in Poway for the last 11 years.

John Spelta

John Spelta, his wife Claire and their two daughters; Jacqueline and Angelina have lived in the Poway Unified School District for over eight years. Jackie and Angie are currently attending Del Sur Elementary. John holds a CPA license and has worked in the real estate industry for over 10 years. John graduated from Loyola Marymount University where he earned a Bachelor of Science in Accounting degree and then a Masters Degree in Business Administration.

Bill Stewart

Bill Stewart has served as General Manager at Santaluz Maintenance Association since 2001. He has 38 years of experience in managing large, sophisticated planned communities in California and both supporting and being responsible for interface with various school districts. He co-founded the California Association of Community Managers and served as the statewide organizations' third chair. He has had a major role in shaping and preserving the architectural and land use standards of the Santaluz community

Michael Tarantino

Mike has been with Poway Unified School District for 28 years and was promoted to Director of Facilities, Maintenance and Operations a year ago. He has been a Rancho Bernardo resident for 28 years and his three children are all graduates of the District. Mike has a B.S. in Business Management and also is certified in Human Resources. Outside of the District, he is an officer with the Sports Turn Managers' Association.