

POSITION 1 Candidates

Each candidate was asked to submit responses to the following questions. Their written responses are printed below.

Ballot Position 1



Albert Allen Martinez Jr.

Spouse's name: Theresa Ann Martinez
Children: Michelle (25), Lysie (23) and Amanda (21)
Occupation: Enterprise Products Company
 Vice President of Marketing and Supply International and Heavy NGL's
Subdivision: Copperfield-Southcreek
Years lived within CFISD: 26 years

Why did you choose to live in CFISD? *I chose Cypress-Fairbanks Independent School District for its reputation and the quality of life offered in the community.*

Community organizations in which you participate: *In the past 26 years, I have participated in many community organizations including the Copperfield Security Committee and Southcreek and Yorktown Colony Homeowners Associations as a member of the board of directors. Currently, I am an active reserve deputy with the Harris County Sheriff's Office.*

Describe your involvement in CFISD (i.e. PTO, district-level committees): *I have seen the district almost double in enrollment in the past 13 years while serving as a CFISD Board Member. I was elected in 1995, have served continuously since then, and have held the offices of Board secretary, vice president and president. Prior to serving as a trustee, I was on the PTO Board at Copeland Elementary and was the community co-chair of the Year-round Schools Study Committee.*

Considering your skills and talents, what positive contribution would you make as a member of the Board of Trustees? *I have made positive contributions as a CFISD Board member. Addressing issues with an open mind and respecting the opinions of others has been a key component to my success. No single board member has the ability to direct or guide the school district. It is the collective efforts of the Board and administration that will determine the future. The individual participation and positive contribution of each board member is vital to the school district's future and to ensure the high standards of academic success that is expected and demanded by our community.*

In your opinion, what are the responsibilities of the Board of Trustees?

- Perform fiduciary duties in accordance with state and federal laws.

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Ballot Position 2



Lawrence (Larry) Allen Youngblood

Spouse's name: Marie Therese Youngblood
Children: Christina Marie and James Allen
Occupation: I have been a small business owner selling and consulting with oil and gas companies with their computer systems, financial accounting and business systems.
Subdivision: Millridge North
Years lived within CFISD: Almost 26 years

Why did you choose to live in CFISD? *I moved to Cypress to get away from the big city hustle and bustle. What difference 26 years make...!*

Community organizations in which you participate: *With my children on their own for the last 10-12 years, I have not been participating in local/school organizations. In the past, I was President of the Cy-Fair Sports Association working closely with the various district employees to ensure a good relationship for the youth of Cy-Fair.*

Describe your involvement in CFISD (i.e. PTO, district-level committees): *I participated in the "Prom Night" events to help keep this most dangerous of all nights safe for all.*

Considering your skills and talents, what positive contribution would you make as a member of the Board of Trustees? *I do believe that my background as a High School Physics/Math/Computer Science teacher and subsequent years as a financial accounting consultant/teacher will allow me to have a positive impact on analyzing the funding and budget decisions for the district from a conservative teacher's perspective.*

In your opinion, what are the responsibilities of the Board of Trustees? *Quite simply, we must ensure that we provide the highest quality in basic education through discipline and excellence while we continue to ensure the least cost to the local tax payers; eliminating costs that provide no advantage to kids, teachers or tax payers always taking care to be open and forthright about issues and elections with full accountability to our tax paying citizens.*

In your opinion, what critical challenges face the district, and what is necessary to address those issues?

- Better communication with the tax payers in the district. For the board's credibility, it is necessary hold elections when the greatest number of residents will review our actions on

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Ballot Position 3



Allan Dale Abney

Spouse's Name: Angela Abney
Children: Melissa (19), Courtney (17) and Alexis (16)
Occupation: I am currently employed with Valmont Industries as the Human Resource Manager. During my 20 year career with Valmont I have operated as a Production Supervisor, Manufacturing Manager, Quality Systems Manager and Production Control Manager. Valmont is a global leader in designing and manufacturing poles, towers and structures for lighting, communication and utility markets, and providing protective coating services for infrastructure. Valmont also leads the world in mechanized irrigation and water management equipment for agriculture, enhancing food production while conserving and protecting natural water resources. In addition, Valmont produces a wide variety of fabricated products for commercial and industrial applications.
Subdivision: Cypress Creek Lakes
Years lived within CFISD: Three

Why did you choose to live in CFISD? *We chose CFISD because of its reputation for excellent schools. We examined district TAKS scores, state ranking, teacher/student ratio and the fact that CFISD offers neighborhood schools. We found the data to be compelling and felt that CFISD was a good fit for our children and family as a whole.*

Community organizations in which you participate: *I am currently a member of the chamber of commerce. I am also a member on the President's Advisory for Lone Star Cy-Fair College.*

Describe your involvement in CFISD (i.e. PTO, district-level committees): *I am a member of the PTO at Cy Woods High School and Cy Ranch High School. In the past I have functioned as a parent volunteer for Cy-Fair High School Band Boosters; Cy-Fair and Cy Woods Orchestra Parents Association, and am currently a volunteer for Project Prom at Cy Woods, as well as, a Football booster at Cy Woods and Cy Ranch high schools.*

Considering your skills and talents, what positive contribution would you make as a member of the Board of Trustees? *I feel my 20 years experience and leadership as a business man will be a asset to planning, organizing and decision making process of the school district. I have experience managing project from conception to completion of 8 million dollars and monthly payroll budgets of \$500,000 dollars. I have been in the Cypress community as a community leader for 3 years as the Senior Pastor of The House of Hope. As a community leader and supporter of higher education, it is my desire to make*

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