

Candidates for Election to the Board of Trustees



DISTRICT 4



Curtis Byers, 15025 Township Hwy 69, Upper Sandusky, is seeking re-election in District 4. Curtis has been a member of Mid-Ohio Energy for 20 years, and has previously served as member and chairman for the cooperative's Community Fund board. He has also participated on the co-op's Member Advisory Committee and has completed coursework to earn a Credentialed Cooperative Director certificate from the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association. Curtis works as manager of Carl Harris Electrical Contracting and holds a degree in business administration from Malone University. Curtis resides in Upper Sandusky with his wife Amanda. He is an avid golfer, and is a board member of the Ohio Public Links Golf Association, as well as a member of the Upper Sandusky Lions club.

Cy Prettyman, 8058 Harding Hwy W, New Bloomington, is seeking election to District 4. Cy is managing partner of Prettyman Farms, LLC a corn and soybean operation and co-owner of Prettyman Farms Natural Beef, a direct to consumer beef enterprise. In addition to working directly on the farm, he has a thirty-plus year career serving members of Ohio's cooperative system with Land O' Lakes' Purina Animal Nutrition. He holds a bachelor's degree in agriculture from The Ohio State University. He is an active volunteer with several grassroots organizations having held leadership roles with Marion County Farm Bureau and Ohio Farm Bureau Federation. Cy states his reason for running for trustee as "to serve its members and be a part of making sure the cooperative stays relevant and is sustainable for future generations." He enjoys spending time with family, exploring the outdoors, and serving others.



DISTRICT 5

Howard Lyle, 3796 County Road 130, Alger, is seeking re-election in District 5. Howard is currently secretary of the board and serves on the rate committee. Howard works as a Nutrient Management Specialist for the Hardin Soil and Water Conservation District. Howard graduated from The Ohio State University with a bachelor's degree in agricultural education. He has participated in the co-op's Member Advisory Committee and has completed coursework to earn a Credentialed Cooperative Director certificate from the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association. He is the treasurer of Alger First Methodist Church and a Roundhead Township trustee. He is a past board member of Hardin County Farm Bureau and the Hardin County Agricultural Society. Howard lives in Alger with his wife, Cristal, and son, Evan.



Rob Radway, 16092 Township Rd. 39, Belle Center, is seeking election in District 5. Rob is retired after a career serving in education, government, and industry. He holds a bachelor's degree in english and history from McMurry University and a master's degree in curriculum and supervision from Wright State University. Rob says he "strongly believes in community service, with a privilege and responsibility to give back to the communities that shape us", and has served two terms on the Mid-Ohio Energy Community Fund board. He's active with the Hardin County Board of Elections and Republican party, is a past 4-H club advisor, and is a member of the Elks lodge and Saint Patrick's Episcopal Church. Rob enjoys gardening and spending time with his wife, Rita, and their four daughters and 11 grandchildren.

DISTRICT 6

Paul Beineke, 3218 Marion Cardington Road E, Marion, is seeking re-election as trustee for District 6. Paul is a retired U.S. Air Force colonel and pilot. He and his wife, Cheryl, are living on their fifth-generation family farm. During his 29-year career, he served four years as the Inspector General for the North American Aerospace Defense Command. He also served as a senior leader in the Air Force Safety Office, managing flying and occupational safety programs. He graduated from the Air Force Academy with a degree in astronautical engineering and earned a master's degree from the Moore School of Business at the University of South Carolina. Paul has earned the Director Gold Certificate from the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association. He currently teaches at River Valley High School, is a volunteer YMCA swimming official, and serves as Financial Secretary of St Paul's Lutheran Church in Waldo. His four kids share their parents' interests in skiing, cycling, swimming, camping, and mountaineering.



Ed Hughes, 3873 Township Rd. 134, Cardington, is seeking election in District 6. Ed is a retired telecommunications district manager and business owner. He earned a bachelor's of science degree from Elmhurst College. During his working career, Ed owned an engineering design firm providing engineering and inspection services to large telecommunications companies. He believes his experience with government entities at all levels, as well as working with secondary property owners to secure construction plan agreements, could provide valuable insight for the cooperative. He is a past Boy Scouts committee chair and past trustee of Cardington United Methodist Church. Ed lives in Cardington with his wife, Nancy, and has four children and 11 grandchildren. His hobbies and interests include attending car shows and car restoration.