

Trena Stafford bio

Trena Stafford has served as District 2 trustee for 15 years.

She sees this as a continuation of over 50 years of service to kids and communities.

Growing up in the small town, of Benton, Kansas, Trena was the neighborhood babysitter for multiple families as well as her younger sister. After high school, she attended Butler County Community College in El Dorado, Kansas, and then Asbury University in Wilmore, Kentucky. She also has hours at Wichita State University and Texas A&M University at Commerce as she sees herself as a life-long learner.

Her family includes her older son, Sean, who passed away at age 7 from congenital heart disease while in first grade at Bowie Elementary. Younger son, Andrew, has a daughter, Aurora, who is the apple of her Grammy's eye and lives in Austin, Texas, where she is a fifth-grader.

Moving to Greenville in 1987 for her husband's work, Stafford continued to be involved in the community particularly in educational endeavors. Serving as a local or Council PTA President for a seven-year stretch taught her much about campus and district issues including running the needed Bowie Reading Lab as a daily volunteer.

Other groups that she has been a part of and provided leadership for as president include DrugFree Greenville, Shattered Dreams, Comet Club, Greenville Educational Enrichment Foundation, Greenville Suzuki Strings Association and Hunt County Head Start. Her latest board to join is the DOS/Entertainment Board. She has also served many capacities in her church including adult and children's choir director, worship chairman, chairman of the trustees, Sunday school teacher and youth leader. Currently she plays in the Wesley Vibes Bell Choir and hopes to rejoin the chancel choir. She also hopes to start volunteering at local campuses again, as she has missed the interactions with the students during COVID-19 pandemic.

As a past private music teacher, Stafford is passionate about a future orchestra being the final piece of the Fine Arts Program in GISD. She considers herself a cheerleader for all of the students of the district in both academic and extracurricular activities which teach our children so many life skills.