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Northwest Ohio school board member nominated as OSBA president-elect

COLUMBUS — Eric Germann was recently selected as the Ohio School Boards Association's (OSBA) 2015 president-elect nominee. If elected during OSBA's statewide conference in November, he will become OSBA president in 2016, following his term as president-elect.

Germann is president of the Lincolnview Local Board of Education in Van Wert County and a member of the Vantage Career Center school board. He has served on the Lincolnview board for five years and the Vantage Career Center board for 1 year.

He serves on the OSBA Board of Trustees, Executive Committee, Federal Relations Network and Legislative Platform Committee. Additional statewide assignments include OSBA's Board Member Cabinet and the association's VISA Review and Investment Review committees. He previously served on the association's Capital Conference Planning Task Force and Nominating Committee. He is the Northwest Region immediate past president, has served on the region's executive committee for four years and was a member of the region's Arrangements and Hospitality Team.

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Germann earned the OSBA Master Board Member Award in 2013, a lifetime distinction, and has received three OSBA Awards of Achievement. The awards recognize board members' commitment to learning and leadership.

He is a Van Wert resident, and has served as Lincolnview Local's representative to numerous committees, including the District Technology Collaboration Committee and Negotiating Team, as well as working with local entities to facilitate economic development and tax policy.

Germann is a senior hosting engineer with Newscycle Solutions. He is active in many community organizations, including past service on the Midwest Electric Community Connection Fund Board of Trustees. He is active in and has served in the past as president of the Middle Point Lions Club and was a founding director of the Lima Regional Information Technology Alliance.

He earned a bachelor of science degree in electrical engineering from Ohio Northern University and a master's degree in Information and Communication Sciences from Ball State University in Muncie, Ind.

Germann and wife, Karen, live in rural Van Wert and have five children and three grandchildren.

In its 59th year, the Ohio School Boards Association leads the way to educational excellence by serving Ohio's public school board members and the diverse districts they represent through superior service, unwavering advocacy and creative solutions.

Note: A photo of Germann is available for download at:

www.ohioschoolboards.org/sites/default/files/Germann7011.jpg