Northwest Ohio school board member nominated as OSBA president-elect

COLUMBUS — A northwest Ohio school board member was recently selected as the Ohio School Boards Association’s (OSBA) 2022 president-elect nominee. If elected during OSBA’s statewide conference in November, Chris Varwig will become OSBA president in 2023 following her term as president-elect.

Varwig was first elected to the Toledo Public Schools Board of Education in 2013. The eight-year board member currently is serving as board president following a term as vice president in 2020. She also served as board president in 2017 and vice president in 2016 and 2015.

“I am humbled and honored to have been nominated as the 2022 OSBA president-elect,” Varwig said. “While I look forward to continuing to serve Toledo Public Schools and my community, I am excited to work with colleagues from across Ohio as we continue to advocate for and bring progress to public education.”

Varwig is a member of OSBA’s Board of Trustees, Federal Relations and Northwest Region Executive Committee. She was Northwest Region president in 2019. She also has served on the association’s Executive Committee, Legislative Platform Committee and Urban Network.

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In her district, Varwig has served on many committees and was instrumental in creating programs, such as Parent University and Student Voice, and fine arts festivals to showcase young artists and performers. She also is involved with the Toledo Public Schools Foundation, which provides scholarships and grants for students and teachers.

Varwig graduated from Toledo Public Schools’ E.L. Bowsher High School. She and her husband, Randy, and daughter, Caitlyn, are proud products of the district, where her daughter is a teacher’s aide and her son-in-law, Dane, a special education teacher.

Varwig and her husband have been married for 32 years and have three grandchildren.

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Note: A photo of Varwig is available for download at http://links.ohioschoolboards.org/49172.