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Northeast Ohio school board member is 2021 OSBA president-elect

COLUMBUS — The Ohio School Boards Association (OSBA) Delegate Assembly has elected Robert M. Heard Sr. as the association's 2021 president-elect. He has served on the Cleveland Municipal Schools Board of Education for 15 years.

Heard was elected Oct. 29 during the Annual Business Meeting of the OSBA Delegate Assembly, which was held virtually this year. Current OSBA President-elect Scott E. Huddle, a member of the Mad River Local Board of Education in Montgomery County, will become OSBA president on Jan. 1, 2021.

Heard will take over as OSBA president in 2022 following his term as president-elect. The president-elect's duties include serving on OSBA's Board of Trustees and Executive Committee and chairing the Legislative Platform Committee and Federal Relations Network. Heard currently serves on OSBA's Board of Trustees, Executive Committee, Urban Network, Diversity and Equity Committee and Legislative Platform Committee, among others.

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Heard, a retired claims investigator, also is the OSBA Northeast Region president and represents Ohio in the National School Boards Association Delegate Assembly and Federal Relations Network.

In his school district, Heard has been on the board's Say Yes to Education Planning Committee since 2017 and served the initiative as a mentor. He also has been extremely involved in the Cleveland Transformation Alliance Committee and Levy Planning Committee.

Heard and his wife, Gennorris, have four children, all products of public schools.

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Note: A photo of Heard is available for download at: <http://links.ohioschoolboards.org/77518>.