

Bio:

Born and raised in Maine, Sitka has been my home since 1995, and I currently have a daughter and two sons in all different schools in the district. My eldest son is a SHS graduate and lives and works in Sitka.

Most of my involvement with youth in Sitka has been through the Boy Scouts and 4-H programs.

I've served five years on the board of directors for the Sitka Unitarian Universalist Fellowship, and two years on the board for the Sitka Community Development Corp. With time as president of each.

Professionally I've worked as a Marine Hydraulics Specialist at Precision Boatworks for the past 11 years, and before that as a commercial fisherman.

In my free time I enjoy spending time outdoors and reading.

#### Advocacy

As a member of the Sitka School Board I will strive to be as informed as possible on the policies of the district, and the intricacies of the state and federal rules and mandates. Additionally, I'll be in tune to the wants & needs of the students, district staff, and community at large.

While I believed that schools, like all government, should operate efficiently; I also believe that great schools are the cornerstone of great communities, states, and nations; the seeds of times to come. It is my belief that Sitka has great schools.

As a board member I'll be bringing the perspective of not only as a parent of children in the district, but as a community member concerned for our whole future.

I would consider it an honor to advocate for the highest quality education possible, and the funding it requires, at the local and state levels as a member of the Sitka School Board.

I thank you for your vote.

Yours, Paul

