

2025 SSBA Executive Elections

Advance Nomination



Position: Southern Constituency Representative

Candidate Name: Lisa Grudnizki

Candidate Board: Prairie Valley

Nominator Name: Janet Kotylak

Nominator Board: Prairie Valley

My world view was shaped by a career path that began in 1997 after I graduated from a rural K-12 school, the same school I now represent. In 1999, I received a diploma in Engineering Technology from SIAST. Beginning in the late 90s, I was hired onto a Saskatchewan crown corporation survey crew that oversaw the construction and maintenance of various water management projects within our province.

My 20-year career ended in June 2020 as the Program Head of Co-operative Education at a post-secondary institution where I was responsible for the experiential learning/programming of 14 Engineering Technology and Business programs. Career highlights include facilitation of student work experiences with employers in the oil and gas, mining, civil engineering, electrical engineering, electronics and computer science technology industries.

It was a difficult choice to leave such an amazing career after 20 years. But the world was upside down thanks to the COVID-19 pandemic and my employer faced significant financial pressures. In November 2020, I ran in the Prairie Valley School Division School Board election and have humbly served in the role ever since. Since making the difficult decision 5 years ago, putting family, community and education first have always felt like the right decision.

Within the SSBA, I currently sit as the SSBA Representative on the SAMA Urban Advisory Committee, and the U of R Joint Field Experience Committee. In December 2021, I completed the Public Sector Governance Program at the Johnson Shoyama Graduate School of Public Policy.

After 5 years as the PVSD Board of Education Trustee, I am eager to expand my world view and serve in a provincial capacity. Rural schools face unique challenges when it comes to their educational programming, their maintenance and modernization. My focus is to keep rural schools the first choice for our rural families.
