Committee: Community Safety & Crime Prevention Advisory Committee

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Occupation: Retired teacher

Work experience: After graduation from UWO I worked as Juvenile Probation Officer for 5 years. I then worked as a clinical social worker (10 years) for a major foster care program. In 1989 I became a teacher for the London District School Board. I retired as Student Services Head at Clarke Road S.S. on June 30th 2011.

Education: I have a Bachelor of Social Work(1973), Bachelor of Education (1975) and a Masters in Education (1988). All my degrees were obtained at University of Western Ontario.

Skills: I believe that because of my varied professional and volunteer background I would bring considerable knowledge and experience to a committee dealing with community safety and crime prevention. I have dealt with "youth" in many ways such as: fostering, coaching, teaching and counseling. I have been on numerous curriculum writing teams as well as being one of the first members of the Safe Schools Committee.

Interest reason: I have lived and worked in London for over 40 years and now that I am retired I feel I would be in a position to be a very conscientious and dedicated member of this committee.

Contributions: I would take this position very seriously and would willingly share my views and knowledge with the committee. In addition, I am a quick learner and would eagerly study and learn about "areas" that I am not familiar.

Past contributions: As a volunteer, I am currently Vice Chair on the Board of Directors for Addiction Services of Thames Valley. In the past I have been President of the Optimist Club of Oakridge Acres and chaired numerous sports and community groups. In addition, I am very proud that I was a recipient of the Paul Harris Fellowship Award from Rotary International and the Bishop Townsend Award from the Thames Valley DSB. Both these awards recognized my level of volunteerism in the London community.

Interpersonal: Being the Student Services Head at Clarke Road S.S. and a member of numerous committees in our community has given me many opportunities to grow and learn in this area. In addition, I have coached many teams in both hockey and baseball which has given me ample experience in respecting skills, abilities and knowledge in athletes and parents.

Interview interest: Yes