

Lone Oak ISD Education Foundation Board of Directors

Paula Billingslea – I retired in 2015, from Lone Oak ISD, where I taught 6th grade math. I was an educator for 29 years. I have been married to Brent Billingslea for 40 years. We have three grown children, all who graduated from Lone Oak. I graduated from Campbell High School and from East Texas State University in Commerce, where I earned a Bachelor's Degree and a Master's Degree in Education. Brent and I were involved with the development of the first Lone Oak Booster Club, and we were both heavily involved in school activities when our children were in school. I wanted to be a part of the LOISD Education Foundation because I have always felt like the school was a part of me when I was an employee. Since retiring, I still feel much a part of all those children's lives I touched, and who touched mine. I know how much teachers put into their work to educate Lone Oak students. I want to be part of an organization that helps support them in their efforts to provide our students with the highest educational opportunities. I have watched these kids for the last 30 years, and have seen extraordinary things come from our small school district. The Lone Oak ISD Education Foundation will support those efforts; and I look forward to seeing what new educational opportunities we can provide.

Lance Campbell – I am proud to be Superintendent of Lone Oak ISD since 2013 and an educator for the past 25 years. My wife, Kobi, and I share in the upbringing of three children, Brittany, Grace, and Nathaniel. I am proud to be a part of the Lone Oak ISD Education Foundation because Lone Oak has a strong sense of community. They value the educational opportunity LOISD provides for their children.

Orville Gentry – I am married to Rebecca Gentry and we have five grown children. I graduated from R.L. Turner High School in Carrollton, Texas. I am a retired truck driver. I serve as a member of the Board of Trustees for the Lone Oak ISD. I am also a member of the Lone Oak Athletic Booster Club. As a school board member, I am glad to partner with the Lone Oak ISD Foundation to help the district fund educational programs, we might not otherwise be able to provide.

Michelle Gilbert – I am married to Jason Gilbert, and a mother to our four children. Gaston is a graduate of Lone Oak, and is currently a junior in college at TAMUC. Gracie is a junior at Lone Oak High School, Gage is a freshman, and Gloria is in 6th grade at Lone Oak Middle School. I graduated from Flour Bluff High School in 1993. I am employed as the secretary at our church, Creekside Church of Christ. I am President of the Lone Oak Band Booster Club, where I support our band program as much as possible. I have been a parent volunteer on all of the Lone Oak campuses over the years. I wanted to be a part of the LOISD Education Foundation because I believe we can help our school be even more successful at educating children who have varying degrees of talents, interests, and learning abilities.

Debbie Hand – I am a 1981 graduate of Lone Oak High School. I am married to Wes Hand; and we have three children, Keri, Kevin, and Lindsay. Lindsay is a freshman at Lone Oak High School, where she has recently become involved in FFA. Keri graduated from Lone Oak in 2002, and from the University of Texas at Arlington. Kevin is a 2005 Lone Oak graduate and graduated from Texas A&M University-Commerce. Both of my parents also attended school in Lone Oak. I am employed as a Senior Administrative Assistant at L-3 Communications. We also enjoy spending time with our two beautiful grandchildren. I wanted to be a part of the Lone Oak Education Foundation to help with efforts to close the funding gap, brought on by recent state budget cuts. I look forward to working with the foundation to help our students and teachers in Lone Oak continue to excel.

Wes Hand – I am married to Debbie Hand, and father to three children. We also have two wonderful grandchildren. Our two oldest children graduated from Lone Oak in 2002 and 2005. Our youngest daughter is a high school freshman in Lone Oak. Debbie and both her parents attended Lone Oak schools. I graduated from Garland High School in 1983, and I am employed as a Senior Professional Solutions Architect CSC. I am proud to work with the LOISD Education Foundation to help bring innovative programs to our students and teachers.

Rose Hayden – I am married to Terry Hayden and have two beautiful children, Chasity, a 2012 graduate of Lone Oak High School, and Andrew, a 6th grader at LOMS. I graduated from Berkner High School in Richardson, Texas. I graduated with High Honors from The University of Texas at Austin, with a B.S. in Advertising. I am an Employer Relations Specialist with Hunt Regional Healthcare. Outside of my involvement with LOISD, I am a Greenville Chamber Ambassador and a Royse City Chamber Ambassador. I am a member of Altrusa International of Greenville, TX, Inc., and Daybreak Rotary of Greenville, TX. I am excited to be a part of the Lone Oak Education Foundation. I look forward to helping give our students as many opportunities as possible to find their potential to be successful.

Dana Hicks – I am married to Jeff Hicks, Lone Oak High School principal. Between us, we have four children, two of which are 2016 graduates of Lone Oak High School. I'm a 1987 graduate of Ford High School in Quinlan, Texas. I attended Texas A&M Commerce, where I was an All Levels – Music Education Major with a Drama Minor. I have an Executive Secretarial Degree from Remington College; and I am employed as Assistant to the Facilities Director at The Episcopal School of Dallas. I have witnessed the tremendous success of having an Education Foundation in surrounding school districts. I did not hesitate to become a part of LOISD Education Foundation. The work an education foundation does for the students and faculty can have life changing results for everyone involved.

Richard Lee Hogue, Jr. – I am a 1992 graduate of Lone Oak High School. I am married to Mindy Hogue, and the proud father of three children, Emma 10, Addie 7, and Greyson 4. I attended East Texas State University and The University of Texas at Austin. I graduated with a BS in Occupational Therapy from UT Medical Branch in Galveston in 1998, and am employed as a home health Occupational Therapist. I decided to be a part of the LOISD Education Foundation because Lone Oak has always been my home. My parents and my sisters graduated from Lone Oak. My wife is a teacher at Lone Oak Elementary, where our children attend school. I see this as a great opportunity to give back to the school and community that helped make me who I am today.

Naomi Jones – I am married to Clint Jones and we have two children, Caroline, a sophomore at Lone Oak High School, and Matthew an 8th grader at Lone Oak Middle School. I graduated high school in 1994. I am self-employed as the owner and operator of Jones Signs. I am active with the Lone Oak Baptist Church, working on the hospitality committee and teaching children's church. I wanted to be a part of the LOISD Education Foundation because I wanted to have an active role in the educational opportunities offered to my children, the other students in Lone Oak and future generations of LOISD.

Mendy Kizer – I am married to Vernon Kizer, and mother to two children, Sarah, a junior, and Jack, a freshman at Lone Oak High School. I have two stepchildren, Chase and Hailey. I graduated from Cooper High School in 1994, and graduated from Texas A&M Commerce in 1997, with a Bachelor's Degree in Management Information Systems. I am employed as a Program Analyst at L-3 Communications, and serve as a trustee on the Lone Oak ISD school board. I decided to be a part of the LOISD Education Foundation because I believe the foundation can help bring great opportunities to our school; that otherwise, the district may not be financially able to provide. I am a firm believer that education is the key to success, and I am excited to be a part of an organization where the sole purpose is to inspire and support academics. I feel this organization is a positive step for our district, and I am excited for the future of the LOISD Education Foundation.

Phyllis Mahand – I am a 1981 graduate of Greenville High School. I am married to Scott Mahand, who graduated from Lone Oak in 1980. We have three children: Katie, a 2007 Lone Oak graduate, Kelli, a 2010 Lone Oak graduate and Clint, a 2014 Lone Oak graduate. I have been a parent volunteer in LOISD since 1998. I have worked with the PTO, Athletic Booster Club, Youth Sports Association, numerous campus committees, and I have served as a surrogate parent to many boys at the College Street campus since its inception. I continue to serve in that role. I have worked within the community and served as a Boy Scout leader and as a volunteer in the youth department at Bull Creek Cowboy Church in Lone Oak. I wanted to work with the LOISD Education Foundation because I wanted to be a part of an organization that brings the school and community together, while bringing resources and knowledge to the kids and teachers of LOISD through a grant program. I am excited to be a part of the founding board of directors, as I believe the foundation will benefit our school district and community for many years to come.

Shannon Nichol – I am married to Jana Nichol. Between us, we have five children; two graduated from Lone Oak, two are seniors at Lone Oak High School, and one attends Lone Oak Elementary. I attended Lone Oak my junior year, and graduated from Greenville High School. I have a BBA in Accounting from East Texas State University, Commerce, Texas. I'm employed as Vice President of Finance at L-3 Communications. For years, I've been actively involved as a mentor for the LOHS Cross Country Team. I decided to become a part of the Lone Oak Education Foundation as a way to give back to my community, and believe there is no better way to do this than helping in the efforts to educate our youth.

Liz Norman – I have been married to Tim Norman for 28 years, and I am a full-time mother to three teenage daughters. We have a senior, a sophomore, and an 8th grader in Lone Oak schools. After graduating from Greenville High School, I earned my B.B.A. in Administrative Management from The University of North Texas in 1990, and my CPCU designation in 1995. I had a 10-year career with State Farm Insurance in Dallas as a Claim Superintendent. I was the Training Team Manager for Dallas-Ft. Worth Metro, responsible for designing and implementing a new claims training program, and interviewing and hiring new claims personnel across the Metroplex. Prior to employment with State Farm, I was a licensed insurance agent. I have taught pre-school, taught women's bible studies, served on numerous event-planning committees, and work on our church youth mission trip team. I'm involved with LOISD as a substitute teacher, the Campus Improvement Committee, and the prom committee. My passion has always been to help others realize, and reach, their true potential in whatever they do. I am glad to be a part of the Lone Oak ISD Education Foundation to help provide resources that encourage teachers to reach beyond routine curriculums, and infuse enthusiasm for learning for all students at all levels.

Tim Norman – I am married to Liz Norman and we have three teenage daughters who attend Lone Oak schools. I graduated from Greenville High School, and then from The University of North Texas, where I earned a B.B.A. in Business Computer Information Systems. I worked at the home office of Sally Beauty, Inc., as Director of Retail Systems and Programming, for 14 years before returning to the Greenville area. I am employed as Vice President of Information Technology at Innovation First International, Inc. I am proud to work with the LOISD Education Foundation because we have always taken an active role in the education of our children, and supported the schools in any way we possibly can. I believe education should be a top priority at all age levels, but understand it takes support, not only from teachers and administrators, but also from parents and the community. With that support, the Lone Oak Education Foundation can make a positive difference for the children, the teachers, and their families.

Jennifer Ragsdale – I am a 1994 graduate of Lone Oak High School. I graduated from Paris Junior College, and currently work as a surgical technician. I have been married to Scott Ragsdale for 20 years, and have two beautiful children. I previously worked for LOISD for five years. I want to be a part of the LOISD Education Foundation to help improve educational opportunities for my children and all of the children in LOISD.

Jean Taylor - I have been married to Scott Taylor for 24 years and we have three children: Alex, Chloe, and Evie. Chloe and Evie both attend school in Lone Oak. I graduated from Winnsboro High School in 1992, and later from Baylor University in 2001 with a Bachelor's of Science in Computer Science. I am employed as an Information Technology Manager at L-3 Communications. I volunteer with LOISD as often as I can and served as LOES PTO vice-president for several years. I want to be involved with the Lone Oak Education Foundation because I am a proponent of public education. I believe family and community involvement is key to building and sustaining a successful school.

Beverly White – I am married to Eddie White, who was the Lone Oak superintendent for 13 years. We have three children who are Lone Oak graduates: Ashley- Class of 2006, Christian – Class of 2014, and Dane – Class of 2016. I graduated from Wolfe City High School in 1985. I graduated in 1989 from East Texas State University with a BS in Business Education and with my MBA in 1991. I worked for LOISD from 1997-2015, as a teacher, Instructional Technology Coordinator, and as the PEIMS Director. I decided to become involved with the LOISD Education Foundation because LOISD has been a huge part of my life. Although I am no longer involved in the day-to-day aspects of the district, the district still has a huge part of my heart, after nearly 20 years of involvement. Working with the foundation gives me an opportunity to continue to serve the district, the teachers, and the students.

Kyle Wilhite – I am married to Shannon Wilhite, Lone Oak Middle School principal. Shannon is a graduate of Lone Oak. We have two beautiful girls. Kaylee attends Lone Oak Middle School, and Addison attends Lone Oak Elementary. I graduated from Cooper High School in Abilene, Texas in 1998. I graduated from the University of North Texas with a B.B.A. in Real Estate, and I am employed as a real estate appraiser. I decided to be a part of the LOISD Education Foundation because I have seen, firsthand, what a huge benefit an education foundation provides. The foundation can make a huge difference for the children, the community, and the district it serves.

