Dr. Jim Alexander

DISD Trustee since 1993

Background



As a Political Science professor at Texas Woman's University and a former Denton City Council member, Dr. Alexander brings a unique blend of academia and practical political experience to the board.

Dr. Alexander has spent most of his life in educational pursuits – from both sides of the classroom. His associate degree was earned at North Central Texas College in Gainesville, TX. He received his bachelor's and master's degrees, both focusing on government and business administration, from Texas A&M University – Commerce.

Dr. Alexander earned his doctorate from the School of Government and Public Administration at American University in Washington, DC. While working on his doctorate, he focused on public policy, which he

has had much opportunity to refer back to, particularly in his role as trustee. He also is the former chair of the Department of History and Government at Texas Woman's University, He and his wife have resided in the Denton area since 1980. Their son, Jason, is a graduate of Ryan High School and the University of Texas at Austin, where he received his bachelor's degree, and Texas State University, where he received his master's in public administration.



Insights and Contributions

Dr. Alexander has served as Board President for three terms and Board Secretary twice since his initial election in 1993.

Dr. Alexander's consensus-building experience has also helped the board work as a team. His presence on the board has led to great board cooperation with the Denton City Council. He did not leave the friendships behind he made during his service on the Denton City Council, rather he continues to utilize them to the advantage of the entire board and community. Through open communication with the council, the board was able to achieve a network with Cablevision by use of the city utility system.

Since Dr. Alexander joined the board, it has become a Recognized district as defined by Texas Education Agency.





"Dr. Alexander has been making a profound impact on the entire commnity for years; professionally, as head of his department at TWU, in civic leadership, as a city councilman, and as a member of the Denton ISD Board of Trustees. Our children's future could not be in better hands."

> - Mark Burroughs Mayor of Denton



