

February 7, 2018

Mr. Keys Fillauer, Chairman
Oak Ridge Board of Education
200 New York Avenue
Oak Ridge, TN 37830

Dear Chairman Fillauer,

It is with both a level of excited anticipation and sadness that I must submit my resignation to the Oak Ridge Board of Education effective March 31, 2018. I have been informed that Tennessee Governor Haslam is appointing me to represent the 3rd Congressional District on the Tennessee State Board of Education effective April 1. This is quite an honor, and I look forward to utilizing all I have learned while serving on the Oak Ridge Board off and on over the past 33 years to serve the Governor and the State of Tennessee in the best manner that I can.

Tennessee state law dictates that I cannot serve on the State Board of Education and in a City, County, State or Federal elected position simultaneously. Therefore, to accept this appointment requires me to resign from my Oak Ridge Board of Education position. I humbly request the Board to formally accept this resignation.

The Oak Ridge Schools is such a special district. While I will sincerely miss working day to day with the local Board and staff on Oak Ridge School matters, please know that I will be frequently in touch to gain the local Board's input to State Board activities. I will also always have a lending ear to issues that the local Board would like heard at the State Board level.

I have enjoyed working on the ORBOE, particularly with this Board serving as your Vice-Chairman since June 2009, as well as, serving as its Chairman from 1991 through 1995. I think we can all take much pride in being a part of several meaningful actions to move the District forward and to offer many positive opportunities for our students. My sadness will come from not being an integral part of the District and working closely with the people that make Oak Ridge Schools such an outstanding and unique school system in the State. I thank the citizens of Oak Ridge for allowing me to serve for almost 4 terms beginning back in 1985.

Sincerely,



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