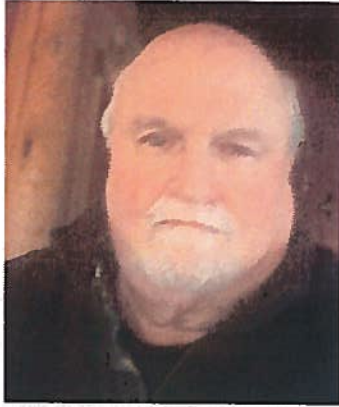


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**All about
Rod Perry**



Rod Perry- BOE Secretary

Rod grew up in Scotland and attended elementary school in what is now the town hall. Eight grades in four rooms with four teachers total. He graduated from Windham High School and completed college at the University of Texas after spending four years in the US Air Force. His major was nursing, graduating with a BSN.

Rod returned to Connecticut in 1975, working at Mt Sinai hospital in Hartford. During that time, he served in the US Army Reserves for six years.

Rod moved back to Scotland in 1983. Three of his four children attended SES.

Rod has served on the Scotland BOE in the 1980's and returned as a member approximately 11 years ago.



Cassidy Martin- BOE Chairperson

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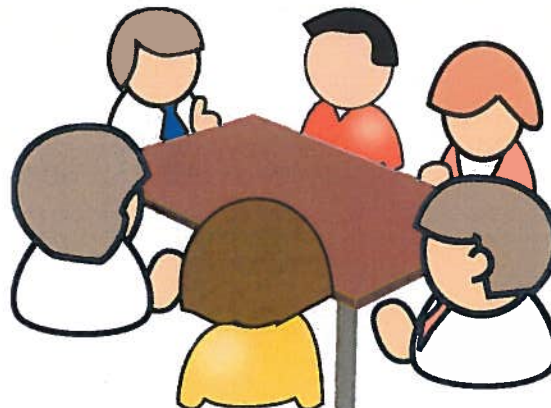
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"I received my Bachelors in American Studies from the University of Connecticut in 2020, and I now work as a legal assistant. In my free time I enjoy playing with my dog, being out on our boat and going to concerts."

"I have always been interested in education policy, and I am very passionate about giving our students the best educational experience possible, and doing so in an environment that they feel safe to learn in and are able to have fun along the way."

**Meet
Cassidy
Martin**

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MEET LISA

Lisa LaBelle-
Vice Chair

I currently work at UConn in the Center for Genome Innovation where we provide state-of-the-art expertise in genome technologies and facilitate genomics research around the world. I previously worked at Hartford Hospital performing molecular diagnostic testing.

I received my bachelor's and master's degrees at UConn, as well as a post baccalaureate certificate. I joined the National Guard in 1990 and was a combat medic in the 143rd Military Police unit for 6 years.

I moved to Scotland with my husband Dennis and our newborn in 2001. We had two more children here in Scotland and all three went to SES and Parish Hill with our youngest graduating this year (2023).

I was in the SES PTO and CAC. I am currently part of the PHACT/PTSA at Parish Hill as the Advocacy Chair and am on the CTPTA Board of Directors.

I love the outdoors and spend a lot of my free time hiking and backpacking with family and friends.

I am very passionate about advocating for every child to learn to their potential in a safe and supportive environment and enjoy being part of the SES BOE with people who share that mission.



Gracie Martin

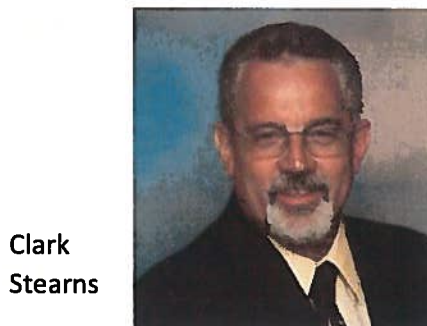
All About Gracie

A recent graduate from UConn, I earned my degree in Music.

I love making earrings, teaching private lessons, and playing Mario Kart!

I have been an active member at Board of Ed meetings since my mom started bringing me when I was in 7th grade.

Going to those meetings and watching how much of a difference I could make in the audience I knew I wanted to continue making that difference on the Board.



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THE INSIDE SCOOP ON CLARK

I moved to Scotland in 1970 when my parents bought Hillyland Farm and Scotland has been home since.

I Started at Parish Hill in my Sophomore year and was a member of the first class to attend all 6 grades.

My wife Deborah and I have 6 children and 11 grandchildren.

I have been very fortunate in my work career as I have spent my time working on things that interest me.

My focus has always been on equipment and machinery, and my work has pretty much included that.

I currently work from home for a company in West Springfield and I travel CT, MA and RI working with Municipalities and Contractors.

I served 2 terms as Scotland First Selectman, 3 years as WINCOG Chair, 4 years on the Claims Advisory Board for CIRMA.

I have served on Boards of Ed for Franklin Elementary, Regional Dist 11 and now the Scotland Board.

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Brittany Santiago

Brittany Santiago joined the Board of Education in November 2022. She moved to Scotland in 2021. Currently enrolled at Southern New Hampshire university, she is pursuing her bachelor's degree in English Literature online.

Brittany has three kids currently attending Scotland Elementary School, and one joining preschool in the 2024-2025 school year. Brittany is an active member of the SES PTO and enjoys planning events and activities that are engaging for the students and community.

Meet Brittany & Beth



Beth Troeger

My husband, Jim, and I have lived on Ziegler Road for six years. Some might question our wisdom in moving to our Breezy Hill to build our home and learn ways to enjoy the land. But there you go! It's our idea of fun in our retirement. I love working on landscaping and gardening of all kinds, so there's plenty of opportunity for that!

Attracting birds to our property also challenges me – bluebirds, orioles, buntings, grosbeaks, owls, herons - birds I haven't seen for decades - visit us often. We also look forward to spending time with our extended family and to traveling to National Parks.

I'm a retired Connecticut public school educator, having taught in three different Eastern Connecticut schools during my 28-year teaching career. Most of my experience has been as a middle school teacher of science and math. I worked on innumerable school projects, committees, and boards with co-workers, parents, and students, motivated by my interest in providing engaging experiences for students.

I'm part of a family of teachers, and so there has been a long association with public schools through my entire life. As a teacher's kid, a student, a parent, a teacher.... I have learned all the varied benefits as well as the challenges experienced by a town when it comes to providing the best possible experience to every child in a school.

Jim and I both appreciate the importance of volunteerism, and enjoy finding ways to give back to our new hometown. Hopefully, by serving on the Board of Education in Scotland, I can help to make some decisions that will benefit the school and the town.