

AVUTA General Election
March 15, 18-21, 2019
Candidate Statements

Names on the ballot will be listed in the order of the CTA alphabet for the 2018-2019 year:

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Campaign statements have been received from candidates for office for 2019-2021.

Vice President - **Terri Rey** -

Secretary - **Megan Lukehart** - This is my thirteenth year teaching for AVUSD and as a member of AVUTA. I currently teach 2nd grade at Sycamore Rocks Elementary. I have also been a Reflective Coach (new teacher mentor) for five years. I was a Union Site Representative for two and a half years. I am also a member of the Grant/Scholarship Committee and Chair of the Bylaws Committee. I currently hold the position of Corresponding Secretary. I have held this position for four years. In this position, I have been responsible for email correspondence, written correspondence, website design and management, distributing information to members, a voting member on the Executive Board, as well as a member of Rep Council. My skills and experience in communication, technology, and interpersonal relations make me a good candidate for election to the position of Secretary.

Treasurer - **Heather Whiteside** -

H.S. Seg. Director - **Jessica Cooley** - I have been a member of AVUTA since hired by AVUSD in 2004. I currently teach ELA and Journalism 3 at AVHS. I have been a Site Rep for the last 3 years, I am a member of the Bylaws Committee, and I am the current Elections Chair. I am organized, detailed oriented, and focused on doing things correctly.

PS-6 Seg. Director - **Shannon Sovern** - My name is Shannon Sovern and I have been teaching for 22 years, 8 of those being in AVUSD. I know the struggles that we are facing in the classroom and at the school site. I want to be an advocate and support for teachers while we journey through our teaching career.

State Council Rep - **Janet Ambe** - My name is Janet Ambe, and I am running for State Council Representative. I am currently the elected State Council Alternate, as well as the HDPa Site Rep. and Grievance Committee Member. I also served AVUTA for several years as the Grievance Committee Chair, High School Segment Director, and for two years as the Treasurer. Please allow me to continue serving AVUTA by voting for me as your State Council Representative. Thank you for your consideration.

State Council Alt - **Martha Lopez** - Hello. My name is Martha Lopez. I've been serving AVUTA members since 2005. I'm ready and willing to represent and advocate for us at the state level. I would appreciate your vote and support. Thank you.