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Family

Married to Randy Stone. Mother of four children and a step-son. Proud “grammy” of two grandchildren.

Education

Bachelor of Science Human Development/Special Education, University of Nebraska /Lincoln
Master of Public Affairs Humphrey School of Public Affairs, University of Minnesota;
Certificate – Public Affairs Leadership (focused on energy and environmental issues)
Executive Education Harvard University, Kennedy School – Women and Power Program

Public Sector Experience

Minnesota House of Representatives – District 25B, elected 5 terms (2006-2016)
Greater Minnesota Workforce Development-Lead; Assistant Majority Leader –Whip;
Assistant Minority Leader; BILLD Leadership Fellow; German Fellow – Health Care, Apprenticeship/Dual Education and Energy; GATE Student Mentor; legislative committees include:

- K-12 Education Policy & Oversight Committee
- Jobs and Economic Development Committee
- Health and Human Services Finance (Committee Vice Chair 2012-14)
- Higher Education Policy and Finance Committee
- Workforce Development Committee (Lead 2014-16)
- Health and Human Service Policy & Oversight Committee
- Licensing Subdivision Committee
- Bio-Science and Emerging Technologies Committee (Vice Chair 2007-2008)
- Rules and Legislative Oversight Committee
- Transportation Committee

Rochester School Board - elected for two terms, served 1998-2006
Chair, Vice Chair, Board Clerk, MSBA Ambassador, Legislative Delegate and Alternate

Non-profit Experience

Bush Fellowship, 2016-2018

Recent recipient of a Bush Foundation Fellowship working on leadership development outside of the partisan environment with a focus on sustainable urban development. Long term goals include a Master’s Degree in Public Affairs at the Humphrey School at the University of Minnesota, a Kennedy School Woman & Power Certificate, and international travel to study sustainable cities with anticipated future leadership in city government to support community and Destination Medical Center (DMC) growth. Attended the Rockwood Leadership Program in 2017.

Executive Director, Rochester Area Math Science Partnership, 2009-2012
Jump-started lagging non-profit by revitalizing the board and initiating new programs, such as a region-wide staff development series for math and science teachers. We organized a forum on best practices for hiring teachers, began a work group to apply for grants, and helped with the transition to a new director.

District Manager, Junior Achievement, 2005-2007

Volunteer Coordinator, Gloria Dei Church, 1996-2001

Art Awareness Coordinator, Independent School District 535, 1993- 2000

Early Childhood Disability Outreach Coordinator, Interagency Family Connection, 1993-1996

Private Sector Experience

Customer Service Representative, Waldenbooks, 2001-2005

Business Owner, Child Care Provider, 1991 -1993

Professional Leadership Activities

- NextGen Trainer for National Institute of Civil Discourse (NICD)
- Statewide Health Improvement (SHIP) Olmsted County Executive Leadership Team Member 2009-2016
- Steps to a Healthier Minnesota - State Leadership Team Co-Chair 2006-2008
- Minnesota Department of Health - Action for Healthy Kids (AFHK) State Steering Committee 2002-2006
- Minnesota Department of Children, Families and Learning (Department of Ed.) (multiple committees)
- National Council of State Legislatures – MN State Representative Health Care, Higher Education Committee
- Council of State Governments – MN State Board Representative; Health Care Committee and Presidents Special Subcommittee on Hunger and Nutrition; BILLD Board Member
- Women in Government – Minnesota State Representative

Community Leadership

- The ARC Minnesota Board of Directors - Current
- Fresh Energy Board of Directors – Current
- KSMQ Board of Directors - Current
- Rochester Energy Commission – Current
- More Women on the Move Steering Committee – Current
- Minnesota Children’s Museum Rochester Branch BOD - Current
- League of Women Voters Rochester Past President & Board of Directors, Debate Moderator
- Olmsted County Healthy Community/Obesity Coalition - Current
- Rochester Art Center Board of Directors 2014 - 2016
- MN Action For Healthy Kids - State Steering Committee Member 2003-2008
- National PTA - NPTA Board of Directors 2006-2008, and formerly National Council of States At-Large
- Member, Resolutions, Field Service, Membership and Urban Initiatives committees
- Minnesota State PTA – State President, Region Director and other positions
- Rochester Area Council PTSA - President, Newsletter Editor and other positions
- Olmsted County Public Health Community Advisory Committee/SHIP 2004-2007
- Junior Achievement Board of Directors 2005
- Diversity Council Education Committee Member / Prejudice Reduction Workshop Chair 2001-2004
- School Bond Referendum Co-Chair Century High School
- Minnesota Alliance for Student Achievement Board Member 2000-2001
- Minnesota Committee for Public Education Charter Member Officer
- Media Literacy/Taking Charge of Your TV Statewide PTA Coordinator/Presenter 1996-2003
- Volunteers In Education Cluster Coordinator 1996-1998
- Parent / Family Involvement Grant Committee 1996 and 1997
- Harriet Bishop Elementary, John Adams Middle School, John Marshall High School – PTA President,
 - Cultural Arts, Enrichment Programs, Newsletter Editor, etc... member since 1986 in CO, MO, MN
 - Life Member/Achievement Awards in CO and MN
- Federal and State Volunteer Legislative Advocate – Washington D.C. & St. Paul

Additional Volunteer Experience

- Interfaith Hospitality Network
- Habitat For Humanity – multiple homes
- MN School Boards Association Conference
- Education Minnesota (MEA) Conference
- Action For Healthy Kids Video Conference
- Walk to School Day Planning Committee
- Destination Imagination Judge
- Domestic Violence Rape Emergency Line
- Sunday School Teacher
- Art Alley Chair (Gamma Phi Beta-Pi)

Membership Organizations

- Rochester Area Chamber of Commerce 2000-2016
- American Association of University Women (AAUW) current
- League of Women Voters (LWV)-current
- Rotary Club 2005-current
Strive Mentor; Bike Event Volunteer; Dictionary Project Volunteer; Rotary Readers Lead;
Holiday Classic Basketball Volunteer; other activities

Awards

- 2018 Leadership Award – Autism Society of Minnesota (AuSM)
- 2016 Leadership & Service – MN American Cancer Society
- 2016 Outstanding Service – Association of Minnesota Cities (AMC)
- 2008 -2016 OAP Champion for Racial Justice Award
- 2015 MN PTA Leadership Award
- 2015 Outstanding Legislator – Teachers of Foreign Language
- 2015 Legislator of the Year – Autism Providers Network
- 2014 Outstanding Achievement – Workforce Development AMC
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- 2012 Legislative Recognition from the Minnesota Farmers Union
- 2010 Legislator of the Year – American Heart Association (Healthy Kids/Phy Ed Legislation)
- 2010 Public Service Award – NHTSA (National Highway Traffic Safety Assn.)(GDL & Primary Seat Belt)
- 2010 Legislator of the Year – MPA (Minnesota Psychological Assn.) (Psychologist Reciprocity)
- 2009 BILLD Fellow – Council of State Governments
- 2009 Acknowledgment – Century High School Mentorship Program Mentor
- 2009 Legislator of the Year – MDA (Minnesota Dental Association) (Dental Therapist Bill)
- 2009 Guardian of Small Business – NFIB (National Federation of Small Business)
- 2009 Friend of Public Education Award – AMSD (Assoc. of Metropolitan School Districts)
- 2009 Representative of the Year – MAPA (Minnesota Association of Physician Assistants)
- 2009 Legislator of the Year – MN Home Care Association (Mandate Reduction Bill)
- 2009 Appreciation Award – MN County Engineers Assoc. (Contributions to Better MN Transportation)
- 2009 Seat Belt Champion Award – Meharry Medical School
- 2009 Star Award for Public Leadership – MN Towards Zero Deaths (Traffic Safety Legislation)
- 2009 Commendation – Autism Speaks
- 2009 Recognition – SE MN Towards Zero Deaths (Primary Seatbelt Legislation)
- 2009 Appreciation Award - Click 4 Life Student Coalition (School for the Performing Arts)
- 2009 Appreciation & Recognition – MDH (MN Dept. of Health) (Steps to a Healthier Minnesota)
- 2008 Merit Award – MN Environmental Health Assn. (Radon Legislation)
- 2008 Recognition – State Farm Insurance (Graduated Teen Drivers License)
- 2008 Recognition – MDH (Minnesota Dept. of Health) (Radon Legislation)
- 2008 Leadership Award – EPA Region 5 (Protecting Public Health-Radon Legislation)
- 2008 Appreciation Award – MSBA (Minnesota School Boards Assn)
- 2008 Recognition – Live For Others-Dr. Lyle Weed Nominee Olmsted County
- 2008 Acknowledgement – Century High School Mentorship Program Mentor
- 2007-2008 Legislative Award – Minnesota Farmers Union (Rural and Farm Support)
- 2007 Legislator of Distinction – League of Minnesota Cities
- 2007 Leadership Recognition – MMA Voices for Public health (Freedom to Breathe Legislation)
- 2007 Recognition – Smoke Free Coalition (Am. Heart, Lung, Cancer Society, MMA & ClearWay)
- Golden Rule Award Finalist (X2)
- KTTC/Rochesterfest Ten Who Make A Difference
- KROC Super Citizen
- PTA Lifetime Member Award – MN PTA