

2022– 2023 School Committee Member Bios

[Evelyn Abayaah-Issah](#)

Member, Boxborough
Term Expires: May 2023



Evelyn has lived in Boxborough since 2012 with her spouse and two girls. She began her service on the Committee in May 2020.

Evelyn is the Director of Network Development and Strategic Partnerships at Mass General Hospital. She has over 15 years of experience in healthcare with expertise in hospital operations, operational efficiency, regulatory compliance, quality and safety, global business development, and strategic planning. In her current role, she has oversight of 14+ Network hospitals including domestic, national and international. Her role is to establish domestic, national and global strategic partnerships with healthcare organizations with an aim of spreading Mass General's mission of research, education, and clinical best practices. She co-chairs the Mass General Cancer Center Equity Council, and engaged in several diversity and equity initiatives at the institution and her community.

Evelyn has a B.A in Journalism from the Ghana Institute of Journalism, B.S in Health Education, and M.S in Health Policy and Management from the University of Massachusetts, Lowell and is undertaking her doctorate in Public Health Leadership at UNC-Chapel Hill.

Benjamin Bloomenthal

Member, Acton

Term Expires: April 2024



Benjamin was elected in 2021 to the Acton Boxborough Regional School Committee. He has lived in Acton, with his wife and son, since 2010.

Benjamin has over 20 years of work experience in healthcare, transportation, government finance and management. He currently works in the Division of Cardiovascular Medicine at the Brigham and Women's Hospital, overseeing research grant funding. Benjamin also serves on various committees and boards including but not limited to the Massachusetts Democratic State Committee, Acton Democratic Town Committee, and as representative of Acton to the MBTA Advisory Board. Benjamin obtained his Master's in Business Administration from the distinguished Heller School for Social Policy and Management at Brandeis University and his undergraduate degree in Psychology from Suffolk University.

Benjamin also volunteers at Temple Emunah in Lexington, where he and his family are members. Benjamin enjoys the outdoors and is an avid skier, cyclist and camper.

Kyra Cook

Chairperson, Acton

Term Expires: April 2023



Kyra moved to Acton with her husband and two sons in 2013. She taught middle-school history in Boston before moving to MetroWest. She served on the superintendent search committee in 2018 and currently serves on the Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Advisory Group. She works as the Events Coordinator for the Silver Unicorn Bookstore and as a search consultant for the Episcopal Diocese of Massachusetts. A writer, Kyra taught noveling and short story classes through AB Community Education. She has served as a classroom mom at McCarthy-Towne for 3 years.

Kyra holds a B.A. in Political Science and Secondary Education from the University of Maryland, Baltimore County (2006) and an Ed.M. in Learning and Teaching from the Harvard Graduate School of Education (2007). Her studies focused on the political, social, and legal history of segregation, integration, and re-segregation of public schools. Aside from her other work, Kyra is an accomplished cook, knitter, quilter, and embroiderer.

Adam Klein

Boxborough

Term Expires: May 2024



Elected to the Committee in 2018, Adam joined after serving on the District Master Plan Review Committee, Blanchard School Council and Superintendent Search Committee.

Since joining the committee, Adam has served on the Policy Subcommittee and as the chair of the Capital Planning and Budget Subcommittees. He has served as Chairperson of the School Committee and is currently a member of the School Building Committee. Adam and his family moved to Acton in 2013 and relocated to Boxborough in 2015. Adam has a BFA in technical theater from Ithaca College and an MBA from UMass Lowell. He spent 15 years in the entertainment technology field before moving to product management in the building technology world. He is currently a Director of Global Product Management at Schneider Electric. As a thoughtful and supportive leader, Adam looks to put the equity, wellness, and engagement of our learning community at the forefront of his work on the committee.

Liz Fowlks

Member, Boxborough

Term Expires: April 2025



Liz has been a Boxborough resident since 2015 and was elected to the School Committee in 2022. After growing up in Worcester, MA Liz loves living in Boxborough with her husband, two sons, au pair, and six rescue dogs.

Liz works in Wealth Management for a firm outside of Boston. She received her MBA from Clark University and Bachelor's from University of Massachusetts Dartmouth. She coaches soccer for AB and both her boys attend Blanchard Memorial. When not working or volunteering, you can find Liz at home crocheting, enjoying time with her family/friends, or with her nose buried in a book.

Ginny Kremer

Member, Acton

Term Expires: April 2025



Ginny Kremer is an attorney who has devoted her career to making government work better for the people it serves. After spending two years as a Superior Court law clerk, Ginny was appointed by Attorney General Scott Harshbarger as an Assistant Attorney General in the Government Bureau. During her time as an AG, Ginny represented state agencies and officials in the state and federal courts. Ginny was a member of the four AAG team that defended the Commonwealth and the Department of Education in the constitutional lawsuit known as Handcock v. Driscoll. After 8 years as an AAG, Ginny moved from the state level to the municipal level and was appointed as Town Counsel for the Town of Grafton. Ginny has served the Town and its residents, as well as private clients, ever since.

Ginny moved to Acton with her husband in 2005. Their two daughters have attended the District's schools since kindergarten. Ginny first ran for School Committee in 2017 hoping that her municipal legal experience could benefit the District, its educators and staff, and all AB students.

Amy Krishnamurthy

Vice-chair, Acton

Term Expires: April 2023



Amy was elected to the School Committee in April 2014 and is the mother of 4 boys. Her oldest is a 2020 AB graduate, and the other three are triplets and 2022 AB grads.

Amy and her family moved to New England and Acton over 18 years ago. Before that time, they spent 10 years in the Silicon Valley, where Amy was a 4th and 5th grade teacher in the Palo Alto School District. Having grown up in Dallas, Texas, she is still learning to adjust to the harsh New England winters, but has managed to fall in love with the Red Sox and Patriots.

Tessa McKinley

Vice-chair, Boxborough

Term Expires: May 2023

Tessa grew up in Acton and graduated from AB. She went on to earn her Bachelors' degree in sociology and education from Colby College.

After working in a classroom for speech and language



challenged children, Tessa earned her Master's in elementary education from Lesley University. She taught first grade for five years before having her children and becoming a full-time mother. After serving on the board of the Blanchard PTF as well as the Blanchard School Council, she was elected to the school committee four years ago. She served for two years as Chairperson of the School Committee.

Tessa returned to school for her Associate Level Orton-Gillingham certification and continues to advocate for students with dyslexia and other learning disabilities. She has called Boxborough home for 13 years.

Andrew Schwartz

Member, Acton
Term Expires: April 2024



Andrew is the proud parent of four boys in the district. He believes that we are at an incredible inflection point for learning and wants to help ABRSD continue to be a place where our kids can thrive. Andrew, his wife, kids and dog, have lived in Acton for the past four years. Originally from Cincinnati, Ohio, Andrew graduated from Rollins College in Winter Park, FL.

Andrew is the Director of Metaverse Engineering at Nike. His background is in strategic consulting. He's owned his own businesses, established and run Innovation Labs for Fortune 5 companies, been an advisor for startups, worked in the agency world and consulted with healthcare, financial services, entertainment and non-governmental organizations.

Andrew believes Parents, Guardians, Administrators, Teachers and Staff are partners in creating great learning environments. The job is to give our kids the tools to be the best people they can be. Schools are the center of the community. They connect us, they make us stronger, they build our future. When our schools work, they give our kids a love of learning, the tools to explore their curiosities and an environment where they can grow in incredible ways.

Yebin Wang

Member, Acton
Term Expires: April 2023

Yebin, along with his wife and two kids, has lived in Acton since 2011. While enjoying the friendly neighborhoods, excellent school system, and pristine environment, they would love to do their part to



sustain and improve our community. Yebin joined the School Committee in 2020 and has served on the Policy and Capital Improvement Subcommittees. He is a frequent volunteer at the Conant school. He has served low income families as a tax preparer through CRA's "Community Volunteer Income Tax Program" for many years.

Professionally, Yebin is an engineer working for a corporate research and development organization in Cambridge; his commitment to excellence has earned him Best Annual Employee and President's Awards. He has also proudly served as an associate editor for various referred journals and conferences. He holds a Ph.D. degree in electrical engineering.

Rebecca Wilson

Member, Acton

Term Expires: April 2025



Newly elected to the school committee in 2022, Rebecca is an Acton-Boxboro alumna who has lived in Acton for over twenty years. She is currently raising three young children in the district along with her husband, a fellow AB alumna.

She received her bachelor of arts in English from Framingham University in 2011 along with a minor in Spanish language. Travel to Argentina in 2016 was a cherished opportunity to practice that skill.

Since having children she has been a stay at home mother, and works part time in browser testing and customer service, using her previous experience in IT at a local Maynard company. She is also active in local social justice movements, and is deeply passionate about community building.

Rebecca is currently moonlighting as a novelist and zine creator, and is pursuing professional publishing. Her pandemic project was a sprawling kitchen garden which grows larger every year, along with her flock of chickens.