

## MidState UniServ Council Director to the Board Nominees

### **Tammie Carr, GRANDVIEW E A**

I currently serve on the WEA Board and would like to serve again. I am the President of the Grandview Education Association and serve as the Lower Valley Cluster Representative for WEA MidState.



### **Peter Knowles, WHITE SALMON E A**

I've been a WEA member for over 30 years, but only in the last dozen have I learned how rewarding it can be to step forward and participate in leadership. During that time, first as an interested member, then bargaining team participant, then secretary, and now president of the White Salmon EA, I have seen how a well-informed membership can grow in both participation and ownership of their union. Through concerted and consistent efforts our local has reached and held 100% membership, and has grown in WEAPAC membership to 78% (and we're not done yet!).

Though these and other successes at the local level are great, I've also found how rewarding WEA membership can be when you make connections across the council and across the state. Participating in PoliSparks training and lobbying legislators in Olympia, building plans collaboratively at Members Matters workshops to make WEA membership more valuable for all, and participating on the Midstate WEAPAC committee to develop members' awareness, involvement, and participation in supporting candidates who support our goals have all been important steps on my journey to where I am as a leader at the local and council level.

And now I welcome the opportunity to work with and serve a wider group of members as a WEA Board Director from MidState. I look forward to the opportunity to represent MidState and continue to build connections between locals across our council and among other members of WEA across the state.