

After retiring from 37 years in education, moving to Mt. Pleasant, and becoming a REALTOR® with Coldwell Banker Mt. Pleasant I feel that my role on the CMAR Board would be my new adventure.

As a former teacher, librarian, principal, and assistant superintendent of schools, I have had the opportunity to work with large groups on a variety of issues. Probably my greatest skill is helping groups to define the issues, prioritize these issues, and accomplish the goals of the majority. While every voice likes to be heard, at some point, for the sake of the organization, decisions need to be made in order to progress.

I understand why members do not participate in events and committees. It is important for the committees to be able to make decisions and changes based upon their group decisions. It is important for the Board to support the committee's work. It is important for the Board to provide an atmosphere of trust and move away from the divisiveness we have seen demonstrated in the past.

Change is difficult. Positive change is refreshing. Details are important, yet they often get in the way of the big picture of what needs to be done.