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As an independent English tutor and business mentor dedicated to supporting tutors and education business owners, I am aligned with TTA's mission to represent and elevate the entire tuition sector.

One of my core values is embodied in the African proverb: "If you want to go fast, go alone; if you want to go far, go together." This principle guides my commitment to fostering community among tutors.

On a personal note, having left the classroom in 2017 to pursue my passion for business ownership and tutoring, I have experienced firsthand how transformative tutoring can be. Serving as a board member would provide the opportunity to be part of significant developments that impact the entire industry and to welcome more tutors into our profession.

In collaboration with Sarah Capewell, I co-support a vibrant community where we host live online events and offer free support, discussions, and referral opportunities. Our aim is to create a hub of meaningful dialogue that complements existing communities in our field.

Additionally, I host a free, weekly podcast, each episode designed as a mini-training session. I invite guests from the education sector to share their inspirations and lessons learned.

Through my work, I have established a paid community of tutors, The Tutors' Mastermind, and provide one-on-one support to others.

Joining The Tutors' Association board therefore aligns seamlessly with my contributions to the tutoring community.

This role would extend my reach and enhance the impact I can make by representing independent tutors and those who resonate with me in other areas, such as being an Indian female business owner. I am also eager to gain insights from others that can be integrated into the communities I support.

I'm keen to contribute towards elevating TTA's offerings and being involved in working groups that raise its profile and recognise achievements within the tutoring space. If such opportunities present themselves, I would like to support members from a business angle too.

I'm enthusiastic about contributing to The Tutors' Association's efforts to make tutoring a safe, supported, and exciting place to be.

I believe my experience and dedication would be valuable assets to the board.