

Virtual Special Board Meeting, October 7, 2020

The October 7, 2020, special board meeting of the Moon Area Board of Education was held virtually at 7:00 p.m., for general purposes. The meeting was CALLED TO ORDER by President, Danielle Zieger. The following directors were present:

Mrs. Zieger	Mr. Harper	Mr. Dugan	Mr. Bogatay
Mr. Hauser	Mr. Testa	Mrs. Partica	Mr. Scappe

Also, in attendance: Mr. Balaski, Mr. Haslett, Ms. Regan and Mr. Cambest

There were approximately 88 audience members.

Mrs. Zieger announced that prior to this evening's meeting, the Board met in executive session to discuss legal and personnel matters.

Mr. Balaski announced that is meeting will be recorded. He also reminded the audience members to raise their hand to speak and state their name, address and comments to the Board.

Audience Recognition (Agenda Items)

Mrs. Lisa Wolowicz commented that she served on the Moon Area School Board for 12 years and that experience had given her a tremendous amount of knowledge of understanding of how a school district operates. Anyone with that amount of time would have the knowledge that the top two issues for any school district are the budget and curriculum. For anyone to accuse her of being fed a question that prompted her comments about why she is interested in returning to the Board is ludicrous. She sees no need to defend herself as she stands on her long record of service on serving as a Moon Area School Board member with full responsibility and integrity. During her 12 years of service, she was reelected, often with the highest votes. The verbal harassment that she endured from certain board members of this Board during her most recent time on the Board was not a wonderful experience. She is withdrawing her name for consideration for the vacant board seat.

Personnel

IT WAS MOVED by Mrs. Partica, SECONDED by Mr. Hauser, "that the Board of Education approve the items listed:

I. Approval of High School Assistant Principal

"that the Board of Education approve Ryan Matsook, 171 Cedar Ridge Drive, Monaca, PA 15061, to the position of High School Assistant Principal, pending receipt and review of clearances. Start date to be determined. The salary for this position will be \$90,000, prorated from start date to the end of the 2020-2021 school year."

All directors voted in favor on a roll call vote.

Mr. Balaski congratulated Mr. Ryan Matsook who was just approved as the new Assistant Principal at the High School.

Discussion and Interviews of Potential School Board Members

IT WAS MOVED by Mr. Hauser, SECONDED by Mrs. Partica, “that the Board of Education accept nominations to fill the vacant school board director position.”

All directors voted in favor on a roll call vote.

Floor is open for nominations:

Mr. Bogatay nominated Mr. Nicholas Hamilton-Archer.

IT WAS MOVED by Mr. Hauser, SECONDED by Mr. Testa, “that the Board of Education close the floor for nominations at this time.”

All directors voted in favor on a roll call vote.

Appointment of School Board Director

IT WAS MOVED by Mr. Scappe, SECONDED by, Mrs. Zieger, “that the Board of Education appoint Nicholas Hamilton-Archer to fill the current vacancy on the Board of School Directors of the Moon Area School District.”

All directors voted in favor on a roll call vote.

Board members welcomed and congratulated Mr. Hamilton-Archer to the School Board of Directors.

Adjournment

IT WAS MOVED by Mrs. Zieger, SECONDED by Mr. Testa, “that the Board of Education adjourn this meeting, 7:12 pm.”

All directors voted in favor on a voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Brown
Clerk, Board of Education

James Bogatay
Secretary, Board of Education