

SCHOOL BOARD MINUTES

- (1) The Board of School Directors of the Lebanon School District met in a public session on Monday, March 4, 2019, at 7:00 p.m. in the board conference room of the senior high school as advertised in the Daily News on February 13, 2019. The purpose of this meeting is to interview candidates to fill the vacant seat due to the resignation of Mr. Thomas Schaffer who resigned as of February 11, 2019.
- (2) President Robert Okonak called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
- (3) On roll call by the secretary, the following board members were present: Mrs. Debra Bowman, Mrs. Ashley Cessna, Mrs. Tracy Johnsen, Mrs. Rose Marie R. Kotay, Mr. Michael J. Kuhn, Mr. Cesar Liriano, Mr. Robert Okonak, and Mr. Peter N. Pyles, Jr. Also present were Dr. Arthur W. C. Abrom, Superintendent of Schools and Mrs. Mary A. Harrell, secretary.
- (4) The following applicants were present to be interviewed for the current vacancy existing on the Board of Directors due to the resignation of Mr. Thomas Schaffer, who resigned effective February 11, 2019, for personal reasons:

Ms. Heather Eggert	Mr. Matthew Hershey
Mr. Charles Norman	Ms. Kathleen Snively
- (5) President Okonak announced that interviews of applicants to fill the current board vacancy would be conducted this evening. President Okonak thanked the applicants for showing interest in the vacancy on the board. He went on to say that according to the School Laws of Pennsylvania, the vacancy must be filled within thirty days of the resignation of the former board member. The new board member will be appointed on Monday, March 11, 2019, to fill the unexpired term of Mr. Thomas Schaffer, and will serve until the first Monday of December, 2019.
- (6) President Okonak asked each applicant to give a one-minute introduction.
- (7) President Okonak asked the first question: Why do you want to be a member of the Board of School Directors? Each applicant answered the question.
- (8) President Okonak asked the second question: What do you believe are the major challenges to be faced by our public schools over the next five years? Each applicant answered the question.
- (9) President Okonak asked the third question: What do you think are the primary responsibilities of a school board member? Each applicant answered the question.
- (10) President Okonak asked the fourth question: What are the greatest personal strengths and/or skills you would bring to the Board? Each applicant answered the question.
- (11) Each applicant was given an opportunity to make a closing statement.

(12) On behalf of the entire Board, President Okonak again thanked the applicants and stated that a decision would be made at the next regularly scheduled Committee-of-the-Whole meeting on Monday, March 11, 2019.

(13) With no further business to come before the board at this time, a motion was made by Mr. Pyles and seconded by Mrs. Kotay that the meeting adjourn. All members voiced consent and President Okonak declared the meeting adjourned at 7:54 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary A. Harrell
Secretary of the Board