

**AUBURN SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
OCTOBER 27, 2020 AT 6:00 P.M.
AUBURN VILLAGE MEDIA CENTER**

These minutes have been approved.

Alan Villeneuve, Chair, called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Those in attendance were Board members Barbara Carpenter, Jason Tyburski and Janice Baker. Also in attendance was Superintendent, William (Bill) Rearick.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Alan Villeneuve led the attendees in the Pledge of Allegiance.

PROOF OF POSTING

Becki McCarthy provided proof of posting.

Alan Villeneuve explained that the reason for this extra meeting was to fill the Board seat left vacant by the resignation of Samantha Belcourt. Alan stated that six individual's submitted letters of intent and that those individuals would meet with the board tonight, individually, in 15 minute blocks. They would be asked the same questions, and the Board members would each decide who they felt met their criteria.

The Board introduced themselves and the interviews followed this schedule:

6:15 – Jillian Lee
6:30 – Derek Berger
6:45 – Patrick Bergeron
7:00 – Kelley Hobbs
7:15 – Jillian Cashman
7:30 – Adrian Newton

Each party answered the following questions:

- Why are you interested in serving on the School Board
- What do you feel is the role of the School Board
- What goals do you have for the School District
- Describe a situation when something you felt strongly about was not the will of the majority
- What is your commitment level given the number of meetings per year

After all were interviewed, they rejoined the meeting and the Board deliberated.

Alan Villeneuve stated that the Board takes this process seriously and that all were great candidates. Barbara Carpenter said that everyone brought excellent things to the table, but a few things resonated with her. Jason Tyburski stated that his criteria was for someone with an open mind and no preconceived notions. Janice Baker said her considerations were for someone she felt could operate at a strategic level. She said though the Board focuses mostly on goals and strategic planning, this year planning around the COVID-19 pandemic has been the majority of the focus. She said the Board typically does not get into the day to day operations of the District, has begun discussions around what education looks like in Auburn post-pandemic, and is considering putting in place a more robust strategic planning process.

Motion by Janice Baker, seconded by Barbara Carpenter, to appoint Derek Berger as Auburn School Board Member. With Jason Tyburski voting no, all others in favor, the motion carried.

Alan Villeneuve encouraged the other candidates to come back to observe meetings or to sign up for a Board position in January.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Barbara Carpenter, seconded by Janice Baker, to adjourn the meeting at 8:08 p.m., and the motion carried unanimously.

The next meeting of the Auburn School Board will be November 10, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. at the Auburn Village School Media Center.

Respectfully submitted.

Rebecca SJ McCarthy,
Recording Secretary