

Board of Education Process to Fill Two Vacant Seats 2019

As of the June 25, 2019 Board of Education Action Meeting, two Board seats have been vacated: Mr. David Rossi's and Dr. Edward Wang's.

Mr. Rossi resigned from his position effective June 11, 2019. The vacancy was advertised and 24 community members applied to be considered to fill the seat. One applicant withdrew from the process; four did not respond to the Applicant Questionnaire. Upon Dr. Wang's resignation, the Board announced it would use the candidate pool for Mr. Rossi's seat to fill Dr. Wang's seat as well. The remaining 19 applicants were considered by the Board in Executive Session at the end of the June 25 Board Meeting. In that session, the Board decided which applicants to interview. Those candidates are:

Rosy Arroyo

Emily Capella

Corrien Elmore Stratton

Ben Ovadia

In a public session prior to the July 9, 2019 Board Committee of the Whole Meeting, the applicants listed above will be interviewed using a "Candidates' Forum" format. Applicants will make an opening statement, will be asked a series of questions by the Board members, and will make a closing statement.

In executive session after Committee of the Whole meeting, the Board will deliberate on the applicants and select the two new Board members.

The new Board members then will apply for a criminal background check. Processing of the criminal background check may take a few weeks. The target date for the new candidates to be seated is at the August 27, 2019 Board of Education Action Meeting. If a sooner date is possible, the public will be notified.

The Board of Education would like to thank all of the individuals who were willing to serve the Cherry Hill Community by applying for the vacant seats.