

Clatskanie School District 6J
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BOARD OF DIRECTORS' SPECIAL BOARD MEETING
October 5, 2020, 6:30 pm via Zoom
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SPECIAL BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Board Members Present: Megan Evenson-Board Chair, Kara Harris-Vice Chair, Ian Wiggins, Kathy Engel
Admin Team Present: Cathy Hurowitz-Superintendent, Mark Berghold-Business Manager, Tami Burgher-Board Secretary,
Kara Burghardt-CES Principal
Guests: Katherine Willis, Paul Simmons, William Spencer, Stacy Hicks

I. CALL TO ORDER: 6:32 pm
A. Agenda Review

II. NEW BUSINESS

A. Interview/appoint a new School Board Member: M. Evenson-Board Chair, introduced both candidates. There are five interview questions. Each person will have a chance to answer after each question.

1. William Spencer
2. Katherine Willis

Tell us a little about yourself and why you are interested in filling the open school board seat and have you run for the election of a school board before. Why or why not?

K. Willis

- Has been a local resident for 10ish years and has one daughter in Kindergarten and one in sixth grade.
- It is very important that we all do our part to support our community.
- It is a difficult and interesting time for all districts and would like to do her part.
- Has never run for a school board position.
- Up until a few years ago, wasn't well versed in what was going on with the schools and at the last election, they had really great candidates so didn't feel the need to step up. With this opening up it seemed like a great opportunity to step up.

W. Spencer

- Went K-3 in Clatskanie and graduated from Rainier. Did 8 yrs in the Coast Guard. Recently married and has three new stepchildren in the district.
- Would like to be a voice for those that feel they aren't being heard.
- Has never run for a school board position.
- Up until now, hasn't had any school aged children

What particular strengths will you bring to this school board?

W. Spencer

- Leadership and listening to other people's opinions and concerns.
- Willing to stand up and push for change if needed.
- Help navigate and make the tough choices.

K. Willis

- Ability to look at things objectively, has been in nursing leadership for a number of years.
- Works collaboratively and sees the different sides of issues.
- Ability to stand up when needed.

What will you find the greatest challenge about school board service?

W. Spencer

- The unique times that we are in now.
- Roll with the punches, right now there are no good answers, no clear path going forward. Trying to find the best way to navigate the rough waters we are in.

K. Willis

- Meeting all of the needs of all of the students, while working within the federal and state mandates on a limited budget. Getting each child what they need while working within constraints.