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Marking the 69th week of "stay at home" meetings required by the coronavirus outbreak, Jennifer Van Voorhis called the Zoom meeting to order at 8 am We recited the Pledge of Allegiance and the Rotary 4-way test and Fred Cartier offered a blessing. Thirteen Rotarians were in attendance, all from our club. Members attending were Jenn Van Voorhis, Susan Ezrati, Rob Latimer, Michael Shafer, Bud Weaver, Dave Wright, Susan Simon, Carl Dowden, Tim Lynch, Chris Chale, Gwen McCann and Jonah and Ellen Triebwasser. Three of the four new school board candidates -- Laura Roberts, Alexa Murphy and Mark Marony -- were also in attendance. The fourth candidate – Erin Misasi -- provided a written Statement to the club by e-mail.



Screenshot provided by Rob Latimer. From top left to lower right by row: Jenn, Rob, Susan Ezrati and Bud, Jonah, Michael, Laura Roberts, Ellen Triebwasser, Tim, Gwen, Dave, Carl, Susan Simon, Alexa Murphy, Mark Marony and Chris Chale. Jenn reminded the club that the electorate passed the proposition to expand the number of school board members from five to seven at the election earlier in the month. Therefore, a second election is required. Four candidates are contending for the additional seats at the board election on July 13, 2021 from noon to 9 pm at the Mill Road School. She, then, introduced the three candidates attending our meeting and noted that a written statement had been provided by the fourth candidate. Then, through the magic of Zoom, each candidate spoke to us while the remaining candidates were placed in zoom rooms. Each candidate presented a statement of their background, experience and objectives for the Board. Jonah asked each candidate what each thought was the Board's greatest challenge going forward. Themes of the importance of inclusion and the challenges of the pandemic were among the responses.

We are all urged to voice our preference from among the candidates at the upcoming election.

Jen thanked the candidates for coming to our meeting. We moved on to a discussion of our fifth Tuesday plans for meeting *in person* meeting at the Elmendorf Green on June 29 2021. This will be our first face-to-face gathering since March 2020. Twenty-five to 30 people are expected to attend. Bring chairs and your own beverage. Several Rotarians are volunteering food offerings. Let Susan E know if and what you plan to bring.

This is my final newsletter for my term as club secretary. I just want to thank everyone for their support in getting the information correct. (I own all of my errors.) It has been fun and very informative to do this job. Susan Simon will get the next crack at it and give it her own spin. Jonah was a hard act to follow, but also very supportive. It has been my challenge and pleasure to follow the high bar he set for accurate and well written and presented newsletters.

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