

2019 CANDIDATES FOR SCHOOL BOARD

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JEANETTE BAILEY



I was lifted out of inner-city Philadelphia poverty and escaped an abusive domestic situation because of education and simple hard work. I paid my own college tuition with cash by working various jobs throughout school, while becoming a member of various honor societies with my excellent academic grades. Born into a family of poor immigrants in Philadelphia, I became a licensed, registered nurse at the age of 19 and worked countless hours in the inner-city hospitals of Philadelphia, Chicago, Miami, and rural Alabama. After escaping from an abusive husband, I returned to school and earned a master's degree from Drexel University in Philadelphia to become a Certified Registered Nurse Anesthesiologist (CRNA). I moved to Wilmington, Delaware in 2009 to provide anesthesia at Christiana Hospital, and have remained a Delawarean ever since. I am currently on staff at Bayhealth Kent General Hospital in Dover and St. Francis Hospital in Wilmington. I would now like to give back to my Delaware home by being a role model for our youth and a voice for the hard-working teachers who we depend on so much to teach our children. I am the best candidate to represent the Brandywine School District because I am a self-made, strong, independent, intelligent health professional who understands the true value of a good education.

DR. DEBORAH ZAREK



I moved to Delaware in 2000. I married a Delaware native, Dave Donohue, who was brought up in the Brandywine School District. I went to public school in California and my 3 children attend public school, 2 of whom currently attend Brandywine High School. Since 2003, I am a physician and a small business owner in North Wilmington. Currently I am on the Brandywine School Board, elected by the current Board Members to fill a vacancy for the late John Skrobot, Sr. In the past, I have served as PTA president at Mount Pleasant Elementary and fundraising coordinator at MPE and Claymont. I started the Dragon Dance-A-Thons at MPE and raised enough money to build the walking path that students and faculty enjoy to this day. I am also active on the Human Rights Task Force at First Unitarian Church of Wilmington. I wanted to serve on the School Board to give back to my community and make a difference for our students in the Brandywine School District. As a physician in our community, I have the privilege of caring for many BSD graduates. I can see opportunities for us to foster more health literacy and health skills in our students, to serve them now and in their adult lives. I am working to help create programs that would ensure their success. I am conscious of the economic discrepancies of our students and want to ensure that all students are given a fair chance to success. Finally, I want to ensure that all of our schools are welcoming to all students, especially the LGBTQ community.