

**BETHLEHEM AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
SCHOOL DIRECTORS AT LARGE**

City of Bethlehem, Bethlehem Township, Hanover Township and the Boroughs of
Freemansburg and Fountain Hill

Term: 4 years

Vote for not more than three

Democrat

DEAN DONAHER

EMILY SCHENKEL

KAREN BECK POOLEY

Republican

LISA McHALE

Region II

Term: 4 years

Vote for one

Democrat/Republican

Cross-filed

CRAIG NEIMAN

Region III

Term: 4 years

Vote for one

Democrat/Republican

Cross filed

KIM SHIVELY

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D.O.B. 1963

EDUCATION: B.A. University of Chicago; MTS Harvard Divinity School; PhD Brandeis University

OCCUPATION: Professor, Kutztown University

QUALIFICATIONS: Educator for 20 years in public universities; understanding the importance of college preparedness; experience with special needs students and special needs support programs; experience with program assessment, curriculum planning, and classroom teaching and management.

RESPONSE: Bethlehem schools serve a large population of students with many different talents and needs. The district should continue to provide a high quality education for all its students, by providing a well-rounded curriculum at all grade levels, as well as by enhancing college preparedness and vocational training at the secondary level. All district schools need more

support personnel to assist students struggling with special needs, learning disabilities, and other barriers to learning.

KYLE MICELI

No response

SILAGH WHITE

<http://silaghwhite.com/>

D.O.B. 1965

EDUCATION: Graduate D.M.A. Eastman School of Music, 1997; M.Ed. Lehigh University, 2016

OCCUPATION: Administrator of Bel Canto Youth Chorus of the Bach Choir of Bethlehem

QUALIFICATIONS: University Adjunct Profession 20 years, arts integration with elementary and secondary school expertise, 23 years, Fellow of Educational Policy and Leadership Program, 2014.

RESPONSE: The charter school funding formula diverts resources to schools that can screen students. EITC funding to private and parochial school scholarships also decreases resources for public schools. It is great that families have choices for their children's education. Families that opt for private, parochial, or charter schools should be responsible for the tuition; not at the expense of the state or district (public funds).