

# **GATEWAY SCHOOL DISTRICT**

## **Gateway School Board Members 2021**

### **I. Office of School Director**

- a. In 2021 elections will be held in Monroeville, where four (4) School Director positions must be filled.
- b. The Gateway School board consists of nine (9) members.
- c. The term of office for a School Board member is four (4) years.

### **II. Qualifications**

- a. Any individual running for Gateway School Board must be a citizen of Pennsylvania and at least 18 years of age, and must reside in either the Municipality of Monroeville or Pitcairn Borough communities for one year prior to the election.
- b. The Gateway School District is composed of students from both Monroeville and Pitcairn.
- c. Vacancies caused by resignation, death, moving out of the district, or region, etc., are filled by an appointment process conducted by the remaining board members.

### **III. The Legislative Role**

- a. A school board is a legislative body of citizens called School Directors, who are elected locally by their fellow citizens, and who serve as agents of the state legislature.
- b. School directors, although locally elected, are really state officials, co-partners with the legislature. They are designated by school law to administer the school system in each district.
- c. The Gateway School Board meets once a month.
- d. Constitutional mandate. Public education is fundamentally a state responsibility. A system of free public education is mandated under the state constitution, which states in Article II, Section 14: "The General Assembly shall provide for the maintenance and support of a thorough and efficient system of public education. . ."

### **IV. Compensation**

- a. Each board consists of nine members who serve four-year terms of office without pay. These are volunteer positions.

### **V. Link for more Information**

- a. New School Board Members PDF from the Pa School Board Association  
<https://www.sssd.com/cms/lib01/PA01001353/Centricity/Domain/20/PSBA - New Board Members.pdf>

### **VI. Contact Information.** Interested candidates should refer questions to the Monroeville Republican Committee's "Candidate Search Working Group": Cheryl Boise, Email: [Bboise9@aol.com](mailto:Bboise9@aol.com) or Beth Conway, Email: [conwayem@yahoo.com](mailto:conwayem@yahoo.com)