USD 115 board fails to fill vacancy after 3 votes

(KMZA)--The Nemaha Central Board of Education Monday evening failed to fill a vacancy on the board following three votes.

The three candidates vying to fill position 3 on the board--Alex Bergstrom, Alan Lierz and Owen Zinke--appeared at the meeting.

The position had been held by Amy Huerter, who resigned effective December 31, 2023 after moving out of the position boundaries.

Each candidate was asked seven questions by the board.

After discussion, board member Amy Sudbeck made a motion, which was seconded by Cara Baker, to nominate Bergstrom to fill the vacant position. However, the motion failed on a 3-3 tie vote. Jason Kramer joined Baker and Sudbeck in voting in favor of the motion, while board members John Deters, Kris Anderson and Tori Jost voted no.

Jost then made a motion, which was seconded by Deters, to nominate Lierz to fill the position. However, it also failed on a 3-3 vote.

Following further discussion, Sudbeck made a motion to nominate Bergstrom again to fill the position, which was seconded by Baker. However, it failed on a 3-3 vote.

The item was tabled until the April board meeting due to a lack of majority vote for either candidate.

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